

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH**

**DIRECTOR'S OFFICE**

**VETERINARY TECHNICIAN LICENSURE**

(By authority conferred on the department of community health by sections 16145 and 18801 of 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16145 and MCL 333.18801 and Executive Reorganization Order Nos. 1996-1, 1996-2, and 2003-1, MCL 330.3101, 445.2001, and 445.2011)

**R 338.4971 Definitions.**

Rule 1. As used in these rules:

- (a) "Board" means the board of veterinary medicine.
- (b) "Code" means 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.1101.
- (c) "Department" means the department of community health.

History: 1981 AACCS; 2011 AACCS.

**R 338.4972 Licensure by examination; requirements.**

Rule 2. (1) An applicant for a Michigan veterinary technician license by examination shall submit a completed application on a form provided by the department, together with the requisite fee. In addition to meeting the requirements of the code and the administrative rules promulgated pursuant to the code, an applicant shall meet all of the requirements of this rule.

(2) An applicant shall have graduated from a program for training veterinary technicians that is approved by the board.

(3) An applicant shall have achieved a score of pass on the veterinary technician national examination developed by the American association of veterinary state boards or its successor organization (aavsb).

(4) An applicant shall have achieved a converted score of not less than 75 on the board's veterinary technician examination.

History: 1981 AACCS; 1990 AACCS; 2011 AACCS.

**R 338.4973 Eligibility for examination.**

Rule 3. To assure eligibility for the examination, an applicant shall submit a completed application on a form provided by the department, together with the requisite fee, not less than 45 days before the date of the examination. To be eligible for examination, an applicant shall establish that he or she has either graduated from, or is a student in good standing in the final year of, a program for training veterinary technicians that is approved by the board.

History: 1981 AACCS; 1990 AACCS; 2011 AACCS.

**R 338.4974 Rescinded.**

History: 1981 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

**R 338.4975 Rescinded.**

History: 1981 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

**R 338.4976 Licensure by endorsement; requirements.**

Rule 6. (1) An applicant for a Michigan veterinary technician license by endorsement shall submit a completed application on a form provided by the department, together with the requisite fee. In addition to meeting the requirements of the code and the administrative rules promulgated pursuant to the code, an applicant shall meet the requirements of this rule.

(2) An applicant shall have been first licensed, registered, or certified in another state after achieving a passing score on the veterinary technician national examination developed by the aavsb.

(3) If an applicant was first licensed, registered, or certified in another state, the applicant shall have graduated from a program for training veterinary technicians that is approved by the board.

(4) In addition to meeting the examination requirements of subrule (2) of this rule, an applicant who was first licensed, registered, or certified in another state less than 3 years before the date of filing an application for Michigan veterinary technician licensure shall have achieved a converted score of not less than 75 on the board's veterinary technician practical examination.

(5) An applicant's license shall be verified, on a form provided by the department, by the licensing agency of any state of the United States in which the applicant holds a current license or ever held a license as a veterinary technician. Verification includes, but is not limited to, showing proof of any disciplinary action taken or pending disciplinary action imposed upon the applicant.

History: 1981 AACCS; 1990 AACCS; 2011 AACCS.

**R 338.4977 Rescinded.**

History: 1981 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

**R 338.4978 Approval of veterinary technician training programs; standards adopted by reference.**

Rule 8. (1) The board approves and adopts by reference the standards for accrediting programs for training veterinary technicians adopted by the American veterinary medical association committee on veterinary technician education and activities entitled "Accreditation Policies and Procedures of the American Veterinary Medical Association Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities," May 2008.

(2) The standards for accrediting programs for training veterinary technicians adopted by the American veterinary medical association committee on veterinary technician activities and training are available at no cost from the American Veterinary Medical Association, 1931 N. Meacham Road, Suite 100, Schaumburg, IL 60173 or at the association's website at <http://www.avma.org>. A copy of the standards is available for inspection or distribution at cost from the Board of Veterinary Medicine, Department of Community Health, 611 West Ottawa, P.O. Box 30670, Lansing, MI 48909.

History: 1981 AACS; 1990 AACS; 2011 AACS.

**R 338.4979 Rescinded.**

History: 1981 AACS; 1990 AACS.

**R 338.4980 Rescinded.**

History: 1981 AACS; 1990 AACS.

**R 338.4981 Rescinded.**

History: 1981 AACS; 1990 AACS.

**R 338.4982 Relicensure.**

Rule 12. (1) An applicant for relicensure whose license has been lapsed for less than 3 years under section 16201(3) of the code may be relicensed after submitting a completed application on a form provided by the department with the requisite fee. The applicant's license shall be verified, on a form provided by the department, by the licensing agency of any state of the United States in which the applicant holds a current license or ever held a license as a veterinary technician. Verification includes, but is not limited to, showing proof of any disciplinary action taken or pending disciplinary action imposed upon the applicant.

(2) An applicant for relicensure whose license has been lapsed for 3 years or more under section 16201(3) of the code may be relicensed after submitting a completed application on a form provided by the department with the requisite fee and satisfying either of the following requirements:

(a) If the applicant had been licensed in another state of the United States and legally engaged in practice as a veterinary technician within the 3-year period immediately

preceding the date of the application for relicensure, then the applicant's license shall be verified, on a form provided by the department, by the licensing agency of any state of the United States in which the applicant holds a current license or ever held a license as a veterinary technician. Verification includes, but is not limited to, showing proof of any disciplinary action taken or pending disciplinary action imposed upon the applicant.

(b) If the applicant had not engaged in practice as a veterinary technician within the 3-year period immediately preceding the date of the application for relicensure, then the applicant shall do both of the following:

(i) Have his or her license verified, on a form provided by the department, by the licensing agency of any state of the United States in which the applicant holds a current license or ever held a license as a veterinary technician, which includes, but is not limited to, showing proof of any disciplinary action taken or pending disciplinary action imposed upon the applicant.

(ii) Take or retake the board's veterinary technician examination and achieve a converted score of not less than 75.

History: 1981 AACCS; 1990 AACCS; 2011 AACCS.

#### **R 338.4983 Rescinded.**

History: 1981 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

#### **R 338.4984 Rescission.**

Rule 14. R 287.481 to R 287.492 of the Michigan Administrative Code, appearing on pages 1383 to 1385 of the 1979 Michigan Administrative Code, are rescinded.

History: 1981 AACCS.