



The Ohio Veterinary Medical Licensing Board

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The OHIO VETERINARY MEDICAL LICENSING BOARD, pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code, hereby gives notice that it will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the following rules of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC):

Rule 4741-1-01 details the requirements for veterinary technician (RVT) registration, duties, and continuing education. The amended language is in response to recently enacted legislation (HB 509 of the 134th General Assembly) which removed the requirement for a picture upon initial application. The enacted House Bill 509 also reduced the fees for RVTs for initial licensure but eliminated the ability for an RVT to renew late. This rule will permit an RVT to renew with the current penalties assessed. Language was also amended to comply with HB 263 of the 132nd General Assembly.

Rule 4741-1-04 provides the requirements for licensure as a veterinarian. The modification removes the “of good moral character” language to comply with enactment of HB 263 of the 132nd General Assembly.

Rule 4741-1-11 relates to continuing education for renewal of licenses. The amended language is meant to clarify the online versus in-person hour requirements of continuing education for licensees upon renewal. The modification for veterinarians requires 12 hours of CE to be in-person while the remaining 18 hours for veterinarians can be obtained online. The RVT can obtain six hours of continuing education online and the remaining four hours must be in-person CE. This will require a New rule due to the percentage of modifications in the Rule.

Rule 4741-1-14 defines the duties of an animal aide. The amended version adds the registered veterinary technician as a practitioner who can provide oversight for collecting blood samples.

Rule 4741-1-16 sets the standards for a companion animal vaccination clinic. Since the Board transitioned to the Elicense system, the Board no longer prints a “renewal license” and does not require one to be posted. However, the public should know who the veterinarian is performing services at a vaccination clinic. Therefore, this amended rule requires something to be posted in a conspicuous location regarding the identity of the veterinarian.

Rule 4741-1-17 sets the standards for home visits for companion animals. The amended version sets out requirements for notification to the client of after hour care.

Rule 4741-1-20 sets the standards for a livestock ambulatory unit. The amended rule merely requires the proper storage of drugs and biologics.

Rule 4741-1-23 provides the requirements for a euthanasia technician certification course curriculum. The modification in the rule mirrors recent statutory changes of R.C.4729.532. The amended rule also clarifies that the laboratory portion of the

course must be an in-person lab with oversight by a veterinarian or registered veterinary technician.

Rule 4741-3-01 describes the purpose of the veterinary student loan repayment program.

Rule 4741-3-02 provides the applicable definitions utilized in this section of the OAC. The rule was modified to include llamas and alpacas to the definition of large animal veterinary services and livestock.

Rule 4741-3-05 provides the criteria for selection of applicants for the loan.

Rule 4741-4-05 describes restricting and logging access to confidential personal information in computerized personal information systems.

The hearing will be held on Wednesday, November 8, 2023 beginning at 8:30 a.m in Room 1948 at the Riffe Center, 77 South High St., Columbus, OH 43215.

Individuals intending to testify are encouraged to pre-register by sending an email to info@ovmlb.state.oh.us or calling 614-644-5281. All those wishing to provide testimony should submit a copy of their written testimony for the Board members and staff via fax at 614-644-9038 or via email to Theresa.stir@ovmlb.ohio.gov. Testimony shall be limited to five (5) minutes per person. Written testimony will be introduced into evidence. The full text of the proposed rule is available on the Board's website at www.ovmlb.ohio.gov or from the Ohio Register at www.registerofohio.state.oh.us.