

092.00.1-3. CONTINUING EDUCATION
(Adopted 12/1/1976) (Amended 11/12/2008 6/20/2019)

7. ~~The minimum standards for continuing veterinary medical education shall be a condition precedent to the renewal of a license. It shall be as follows: The continuing education requirements for the renewal of an active license or certificate are as follows:~~

A. ~~Veterinarians are required to must earn 20 credit twenty (20) continuing education hours each year before becoming to be eligible for license renewal. Veterinarians with both a general and poultry specialty license are required to earn 20 hours for each license.~~

(1) Continuing education topic requirements are as follows:

(a) Ten (10) hours must be education pertaining to veterinary medicine and surgery;

(b) Two (2) hours must be education pertaining to controlled substances;
and

(c) A maximum of eight (8) hours can be education pertaining to non-scientific topics.

(d) A maximum of two (2) hours can be education through visitation with a colleague, not associated with the veterinarian's practice, at the facility of the colleague.

(2) Continuing education hours can be earned as follows:

(a) At least ten (10) hours must be taken in-person or through live, interactive webinars; and

(b) A maximum of ten (10) hours will be allowed for online education that is pre-recorded or non-interactive.

B. ~~Veterinary technicians and veterinary technologists are required to must earn six (6) credit twelve (12) continuing education hours each year before becoming to be eligible for license certificate renewal. A maximum of two (2) credit hours may be earned each year in distance learning programs.~~

(1) Continuing education topic requirements are as follows:

(a) Eight (8) hours must be education pertaining to veterinary medicine and surgery; and

(b) A maximum of four (4) hours can be education pertaining to non-scientific topics.

(2) Continuing education hours can be earned as follows:

(a) At least six (6) hours must be taken in-person or through live, interactive webinars; and

(b) A maximum of six (6) hours will be allowed for online education that is pre-recorded or non-interactive.

C. Continuing education requirements are waived for veterinarians during the renewal period he/she graduated from an approved school or college of veterinary medicine. Continuing education hours are waived for veterinarians, veterinary technicians, and veterinary technologists who received a license or certificate from the Board during the renewal period in which they graduated.

D. Ten (10) hours must be in the areas of veterinary medicine and surgery and/or record keeping at classroom seminars only. Veterinarians may earn up to four (4) hours of credit for visitation with a colleague (not associated with their practice) at the facility of that colleague. One (1) hour of credit will be given for each local district meeting (not to exceed four hours per year without approval of the Board prior to license renewal). A maximum of five (5) hours per renewal period may be earned in the areas of practice management, business seminars, on-line education and veterinary videos, veterinary chiropractic, veterinary acupuncture, and veterinary holistic/homeopathy. Two (2) credit hours may be earned at exhibit halls at state and national meetings.

E. Credit hours may be earned as follows: One hour credit for each hour of attendance at seminars sponsored by AVMA, AAHA, state associations, academies, schools of veterinary medicine, etc.

D. The following are approved by the Board for continuing education:

(1) An educational program sponsored by an accredited or approved college of veterinary medicine;

(2) An educational program sponsored by the American Animal Hospital Association;

(3) An educational program sponsored by the American Veterinary Medical Association or one of its recognized veterinary specialties or veterinary specialty organizations;

(4) An educational program sponsored by a local, state, regional or national veterinary association;

(5) An educational program sponsored by the National Association of Veterinary Technicians in America or one of its veterinary technician specialty academies or societies;

(6) An educational program approved by the Registry of Approved Continuing

Education (RACE), which is the American Association of Veterinary State Boards' national clearinghouse for approval of continuing education; or

(7) An educational program sponsored by the United States Department of Agriculture.

E. Each veterinarian ~~and~~, veterinary technician, and veterinary technologist must keep a record of credit continuing education hours earned. ~~Each year he/she and~~ will be required to certify ~~as to the number of credit~~ those hours earned on a form ~~to be provided by the Board~~. The form will be ~~mailed sent~~ to each veterinarian ~~and~~, veterinary technician, and veterinary technologist at the time of annual renewal. All records of continuing education hours must be kept by the licensee or certificate holder for three (3) years. The Board, at its discretion, may request an audit of an individual's continuing education records.

F. Veterinarians ~~or~~, veterinary technicians, or veterinary technologists unable to earn credits continuing education hours because of sickness or other justifiable reasons may, at the discretion of the Board, be exempt from all or part of the credit continuing education requirements or granted an extension of time to obtain their continuing education credits hours.

G. Requests for pre-approval of meetings educational programs must be postmarked 30 days submitted to the Board at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting – no exceptions.

H. To activate an inactive license or certificate, continuing education hours must be obtained during that renewal period.

J. ~~— The Board recognizes RACE (Registry of Approved Continuing Education) programs with limitations in some areas.~~

**092.00.1-3. CONTINUING EDUCATION
(Adopted 12/1/1976) (Amended 6/20/2019)**

7. The continuing education requirements for the renewal of an active license or certificate are as follows:

A. Veterinarians must earn twenty (20) continuing education hours each year to be eligible for license renewal.

(1) Continuing education topic requirements are as follows:

(a) Ten (10) hours must be education pertaining to veterinary medicine and surgery;

(b) Two (2) hours must be education pertaining to controlled substances;

(c) A maximum of eight (8) hours can be education pertaining to non-scientific topics; and

(d) A maximum of two (2) hours can be education through visitation with a colleague, not associated with the veterinarian's practice, at the facility of the colleague.

(2) Continuing education hours can be earned as follows:

(a) At least ten (10) hours must be taken in-person or through live, interactive webinars; and

(b) A maximum of ten (10) hours will be allowed for online education that is pre-recorded or non-interactive.

B. Veterinary technicians and veterinary technologists must earn twelve (12) continuing education hours each year to be eligible for certificate renewal.

(1) Continuing education topic requirements are as follows:

(a) Eight (8) hours must be education pertaining to veterinary medicine and surgery; and

(b) A maximum of four (4) hours can be education pertaining to non-scientific topics.

(2) Continuing education hours can be earned as follows:

(a) At least six (6) hours must be taken in-person or through live, interactive webinars; and

(b) A maximum of six (6) hours will be allowed for online education that is pre-recorded or non-interactive.

C. Continuing education hours are waived for veterinarians, veterinary technicians, and veterinary technologists who received a license or certificate from the Board during the renewal period in which they graduated.

D. The following are approved by the Board for continuing education:

(1) An educational program sponsored by an accredited or approved college of veterinary medicine;

(2) An educational program sponsored by the American Animal Hospital Association;

(3) An educational program sponsored by the American Veterinary Medical Association or one of its recognized veterinary specialties or veterinary specialty organizations;

(4) An educational program sponsored by a local, state, regional or national veterinary association;

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(6) An educational program approved by the Registry of Approved Continuing Education (RACE), which is the American Association of Veterinary State Boards' national clearinghouse for approval of continuing education; or

(7) An educational program sponsored by the United States Department of Agriculture.

E. Each veterinarian, veterinary technician, and veterinary technologist must keep a record of continuing education hours earned and will be required to certify those hours on a form provided by the Board. The form will be sent to each veterinarian, veterinary technician, and veterinary technologist at the time of annual renewal. All records of continuing education hours must be kept by the license or certificate holder for three (3) years. The Board, at its discretion, may request an audit of an individual's continuing education records.

F. Veterinarians, veterinary technicians, or veterinary technologists unable to earn continuing education hours because of sickness or other justifiable reasons may, at the discretion of the Board, be exempt from all or part of the continuing education requirements or granted an extension of time to obtain their continuing education hours.

G. Requests for pre-approval of educational programs must be submitted to the Board at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting – no exceptions.

H. To activate an inactive license or certificate, continuing education hours must be obtained during that renewal period.

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