

# South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation

South Carolina Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners

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# **REQUIREMENTS AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR VETERINARY MEDICINE LICENSURE**

- 1. You must have graduated from a College of Veterinary Medicine accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA).
- 2. You must have successfully passed the NAVLE or NBE/CCT Exam.
- 3. You must successfully pass the SC Jurisprudence Examination.

### **Application Process:**

1. **Application** - Complete your application and send in with the following:

- Note: Application is maintained for one year, after that period you will have to reapply.
  - \$175.00 application fee via check or money order made payable to the LLR-Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners. Fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.
    - A returned check fee of up to \$30.00, or an amount specified by law, maybe accessed on all returned funds.
  - Notarized Verification of Lawful Presence
  - Copy of valid Driver's License, State Issued ID or Passport
  - Copy of Social Security Card
  - Legal documentation for name change (marriage certificate, divorce decree,etc)
  - A 2"x2" Passport Style Photo that has been taken within last 6 months
- 2. Education Verification: Contact your AVMA Accredited College of Veterinary Medicine Registrar's office and have an official transcript, with seal and Registrars' signature mailed directly to our office <u>OR</u> Certification from the Education Commission of Foreign Veterinary Graduates (ECFVG) <u>OR</u> Certification from the Program for Assessment of Veterinary Education (PAVE).
- 3. National Board Scores: You must request your NAVLE (North American Veterinary Licensing Examination) Score from the American Association of State Veterinary Boards (AAVSB) or NBE (National Board Examination) Score and Clinical Competency Examination (CCT) Score <u>www.aavsb.org</u> be sent directly to board office. You may choose to have them emailed or sent via United States Postal Service.
- 4. **NAVLE <u>OR</u> NBE/CCT Scores** older than five (5) years <u>must also</u> provide verification of a valid and unrestricted (including probation or other conditions) license to practice veterinary issued by another state for a minimum of three years preceding application. In addition to state verifications applicant must provide a letter of three (3) years of continuous practice from employer OR AVMA recognized Board Certification OR thirty (30) hours of Continuing Education Unit Certificates completed within two (2) years of date of application.
- 5. **License Verification**: Verification of a valid and unrestricted (including probation or other conditions) license to practice veterinary medicine issued by another state for a minimum of three years preceding application. Contact state board(s) where you are currently or have been previously licensed with and have license verification mailed directly to the Board office at the above address. We will accept a state board issued form.
- 6. **Personal History Questions**: You will need to attach a written explanation for any "Yes' answers in the Personal History Information section on a separate sheet of paper. Additional information may be requested by the Board Office or a Board appearance may be necessary.
- 7. **Jurisprudence Examination**: Once our office processes your application, you will be e-mailed instructions with a User Id and Password to take the exam online. A score of 70 or higher is considered a passing score. If the applicant receives a score of 69 or below, applicant may take exam again after 24 hours. As a study guide for the examination, the applicant should study the Statutes and Regulations of the Board found under Laws/Policies provided under the board website. Do not send in your certificate of passing, the Board is automatically notified.

You may check the current status of your application online by visiting the board's website at <u>www.llr.state.sc.us/pol/veterinary</u>.



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# APPLICATION FOR LICENSE TO PRACTICE VETERINARY MEDICINE

## Include with your application:

- Check or money order in the amount of \$175 made payable to: LLR Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners.
  - A returned check fee of up to \$30, or an amount specified by law, <u>may</u> be assessed on all returned funds.
- Copy of valid drivers license, state issued ID or Passport
- A 2"x2" passport style photo taken within the last 6 months
- Legal documentation for name change (marriage cert, divorce decree, court order, etc), if applicable
- Copy of Social Security Card
- If North American Veterinary Licensing Examination (NAVLE), National Board Exam Score (NBE) and Clinical Competency Exam (CCT) scores are over 5 (five) years, applicant must submit 30 (thirty) CE Certificates, OR 3 (three) years continuous practice letter from employer OR board specialty certification.

## Have sent in from issuing agency:

- Official educational transcripts or PAVE Certificate or ECFVG Certificate
- NAVLE or National Board Exam Score (NBE) and Clinical Competency Exam (CCT) Score,
- State License Verification(s)

## **APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

Name:	me:Maiden:			
(Last, First, Middle, and Suffix)				
Preferred Mailing Address:				
(Stree	et/PO BOX, City, State, Zip)			
Home Address:				
(Street, City, St	ate, Zip)			
Current Office Address:				
(Stree	et, City, State, Zip)			
Phone: C	ell Phone:	Business Phone:		
Email Address:		Social Security Number:		
Date of Birth:	Place of Birth:			
Gender: Female Male	Race (For statistica	l purposes only):		
Have you ever legally changed yo If yes, you are required to enclose	•	•	Yes hange.	No

## **EDUCATION**

Must be a graduate of an American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) accredited school or college of veterinary medicine.

Are you a graduate from a program outside of the United States? Yes

If yes, you must submit a copy of your ECFVG certificate from the AVMA Educational Commission for Foreign Veterinary Graduates or PAVE Certificate.

Name of School	LOCATION (City and State or Country)	GRADUATION DATE	DEGREE
Vet School			

## **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

List all related employment chronologically for the past two (2) years. If you have never been employed in the profession you are applying for, insert NA. Attach an additional sheet if needed.

FROM Month / Yr	TO Month / Yr	EMPLOYER NAME	OFFICE ADDRESS	Position

## **RECORD OF LICENSURE:**

List all states in which you have been licensed in; regardless of status: Active, Inactive, Expired, etc. You will need to contact each State Board and request a License Verification to be mailed directly to our Board at the above listed address. We will accept a state board issued form. Enter N/A if you have never been licensed in another state. Attach an additional sheet if needed.

State/Country	Date of Licensure	License No.	Status of Licensure (Active, lapsed, etc.)

## PERSONAL HISTORY

Please answer all questions. You must attach a written explanation for any "Yes" answers.

1.	Have you ever taken the SC Veterinary Jurisprudence Examination?	YES	NO
2.	Have you ever been denied the right to take a veterinary licensure examination in any state?	YES	NO

3. Have you ever been convicted, pled guilty or pled nolo contendere regardless of the adjudication of and federal, state or local law. (You may exclude minor traffic violations, and juvenile and/or expunged violations.) YES NO

No

4.	Have you ever had a license or certification of registration to practice veterinary medicine, or any other licensed profession, denied, revoked, suspended or otherwise acted against (including probation, fine or reprimand) in a disciplinary proceeding in any state?	YES	NO
5.	Are you currently under investigation or the subject of pending disciplinary action by any veterinary licensing board or other entity?	YES	NO
6.	Currently or within the last two years, have you developed or been treated for any physical, mental or emotional condition or drug or alcohol addiction that might interfere with your ability to competently and safely perform the essential functions of practice?	YES	NO

#### AFFIDAVIT

All statements contained in this application are made under oath or affirmation and all representations are true and correct to my best knowledge and belief and subject to penalties of making a false affidavit of declaration. Should I furnish any false information in this application, I hereby agree that such action shall constitute cause for denial, suspension or revocation of license as a licensed veterinarian in South Carolina. This application and signature shall act as authorization of entities in possession of state files pertaining to my licensure and practice, law enforcement records, administrative records, motor vehicle records, and court documents to release such information to this licensing authority.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT	DATE	
Sworn to before me this day of	, 20	Attach Photo Here
Notary Signature		Tape a passport-type photograph taken within the last six (6) months.
Print Notary Name		
Notary Public for the State of:		
My Commission Expires:		

#### **PRIVACY DISCLOSURE:**

South Carolina Law requires that every individual who applies for an occupational or professional license provide a social security number for use in the establishment, enforcement and collection of child support obligations and for reporting to certain databanks established by law. Failure to provide your social security number for these mandatory purposes will result in the denial of your licensure application. Social security numbers may also be disclosed to other governmental regulatory agencies and for identification purposes to testing providers and organizations involved in professional regulation. Your social security number will not be released for any other purpose not provided for by law.

Other personal information collected by the Department for the licensing boards it administers is limited to such personal information as is necessary to fulfill a legitimate public purpose. The South Carolina Freedom of Information Act ensures that the public has a right to access appropriate records and information possessed by a government agency. Therefore, some personal information on the application may be subject to public scrutiny or release. The Department collects and disseminates personal information in compliance with The South Carolina Freedom of Information Act, the South Carolina Family Privacy Protection Act, and other applicable privacy laws and regulations. Additionally, the Department shares certain information on the application with other governmental agencies for various governmental purposes, including research and statistical services.

**NOTE:** Your application is good for one (1) year from the date of receipt. If all required information is not received within this one (1) year period; you must begin the application process from the beginning. This includes, but is not limited to, the application fee, transcripts, license verifications, etc.



### STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION VERIFICATION OF LAWFUL PRESENCE IN THE UNITED STATES AFFIDAVIT OF ELIGIBILITY



Pursuant to Section 8-29-10, *et seq.* of the South Carolina Code of Laws (1976, as amended), the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation must verify that any person who applies for a South Carolina license is lawfully present in the United States. Complete and sign this affidavit of eligibility. The information provided is subject to verification.

### Section A: LAWFUL PRESENCE in the United States.

The undersigned(Print clearly First, Middle, and Last name)	, of
(Print clearly First, Middle, and Last name)	(Home Address, City, State, and Zip Code)
being first duly sworn deposes and states as follows:	
Check only one box:	
1. I am a United States citizen; or	
2. I am a Legal Permanent Resident of the United State	es eighteen years of age or older; or
3. I am a Qualified Alien or non-immigrant under the Fe 82-414, eighteen years of age or older, and lawfully p	
4. Other:Please submit any c	locumentation that supports this status.
Date of Birth:	
Alien Number: I-9	4 Number:
(If you checked number 2, 3, or 4 you must attach a instruction sheet for a list of accepted immigration documents	

#### Section B: ATTESTATION.

**I understand** that in accordance with section 8-29-10 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, a person who knowingly and willfully makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in an affidavit shall, in addition to other sanctions imposed by this State or the United States, be guilty of a felony, and upon conviction must be fined and/or imprisoned for not more than 5 years (or both).

**I understand** that the representations made in this Affidavit shall apply through any license(s) or renewals issued, and that I shall have an affirmative duty to immediately advise the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation of any change of my immigration or citizenship status.

I swear and attest the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that under South Carolina law, providing false information is grounds for denial, suspension, or revocation of a license, certificate, registration or permit.

Signature of Affiant		
SWORN to before me this	day of	, 20
Notary Signature		
Print Name		
Notary Public for		
My Commission Expires:		
Rev: 02-02-2015		

#### INSTRUCTION SHEET FOR COMPLETING AFFIDAVIT OF ELIGIBILITY

#### CHECK box 1:

If you are a United States Citizen by birth or naturalization

#### CHECK box 2:

If you are a Legal Permanent Resident and you are not a U.S. Citizen, but are residing in the U.S. under legally recognized and lawfully recorded permanent residence as an immigrant. **PROVIDE A COPY OF ALL IMMIGRATION DOCUMENTS.** 

#### CHECK box 3:

If you are a Qualified Alien. You are a Qualified Alien if you are:

An alien who is lawfully admitted for residence under the INA.

An alien who is granted asylum under Section 208 of the INA.

A refugee who is admitted to the United States under Section 207 of the INA.

An alien who is paroled into the United States under Section 212(d)(5) of the INA for a period of at least 1 year. An alien whose deportation is being withheld under Section 243(h) of the INA (as in effect prior to April 1, 1997) or whose removal has been withheld under Section 241(b)(3).

An alien who is granted conditional entry pursuant to Section 203(a)(7) of the INA as in effect prior to April 1, 1980.

An alien who is a Cuban/Haitian Entrant as defined by Section 501(e) of the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980.

An alien who has been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty, or whose child or parent has been battered or subject to extreme cruelty.

#### PROVIDE A COPY OF ALL IMMIGRATION DOCUMENTS.

#### ACCEPTED IMMIGRATION DOCUMENTS:

Unexpired Reentry Permit (I-327)

Permanent Resident Card or Alien Registration Receipt Card With Photograph (I-551)

Unexpired Refugee Travel Document (I-571)

Unexpired Employment Authorization Card Which Contains a Photograph (I-766)

Machine Readable Immigrant Visa (with Temporary I-551 Language)

Temporary I-551 Stamp (on passport or I-94)

I-94 (Arrival/Departure Record) in Unexpired Foreign Passport

I-20 (Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant, F-1, Student Status)

DS2019 (Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visitor, J-1, Status)