



PROPOSED RULE MAKING

CR-102 (June 2004)
(Implements RCW 34.05.320)
Do NOT use for expedited rule making

Agency: Department of Health- Veterinary Board of Governors

- Preproposal Statement of Inquiry was filed as WSR 09-04-098 ; or
- Expedited Rule Making--Proposed notice was filed as WSR _ ; or
- Proposal is exempt under RCW 34.05.310(4).

- Original Notice
- Supplemental Notice to WSR
- Continuance of WSR

Title of rule and other identifying information: (Describe Subject)
WAC 246-935-060 Eligibility for examination as veterinary technician.

Hearing location(s): Department of Health Creekside Three at Center Point
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Date: August 31, 2009 Time: 11:00 a.m.

Submit written comments to:

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Date of intended adoption: 08/31/2009
(Note: This is NOT the effective date)

Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules:

Veterinary technicians who seek credentialing through education must complete an American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) approved program. The AVMA recognizes the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) process for accreditation of Canadian veterinary technologist or technician programs. The AVMA recommends that licensing boards accept education programs approved by the CVMA.

Reasons supporting proposal:

Recognition of Canadian programs will reduce barriers for graduates of those programs seeking licensure in Washington State. Current regulations do not recognize Canadian accreditation.

Statutory authority for adoption:
RCW 18.92.030

Statute being implemented:
RCW 18.92.030

Is rule necessary because of a:

- Federal Law? Yes No
- Federal Court Decision? Yes No
- State Court Decision? Yes No

If yes, CITATION:

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DATE: 6/16/09

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Executive Manager

Agency comments or recommendations, if any, as to statutory language, implementation, enforcement, and fiscal matters:

None

Name of proponent: (person or organization) Department of Health, Veterinary Board of Governors

- Private
- Public
- Governmental

Name of agency personnel responsible for:

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Has a small business economic impact statement been prepared under chapter 19.85 RCW?

Yes. Attach copy of small business economic impact statement.

A copy of the statement may be obtained by contacting:

Name:

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No. Explain why no statement was prepared.

A small business economic impact statement was not prepared. The proposed rule would not impose more than minor costs on businesses in an industry.

Is a cost-benefit analysis required under RCW 34.05.328?

Yes A preliminary cost-benefit analysis may be obtained by contacting:

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No: Please explain:

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 02-02-046, filed 12/27/01, effective 1/27/02)

WAC 246-935-060 Eligibility for examination as veterinary technician. Applicants must meet one of the following criteria to be eligible for the examination.

(1) Completion of ~~((a))~~ an approved postsecondary educational program for animal or veterinary technology.

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(b) Completion of a program for animal or veterinary technology approved by the Animal Health Technologist/Veterinary Technician Program Accreditation Committee (AHT/VTPAC) of the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA). The board approves all institutions accredited by, and in good standing with, the CVMA.

(c) Other institutions applying for board approval must meet the accreditation standards of the CVTEA. It is the responsibility of the institution to apply for approval and of a student to ascertain whether or not a school has been approved by the board.

(d) The examination may ((not)) be taken ((prior to)) no sooner than six months ((preceding)) before graduation from the approved course of instruction.

(2) Graduation from a two-year curriculum in animal health or veterinary technology which is not accredited by the CVTEA or AHT/VTPAC plus a minimum of thirty-six months of full-time experience under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian(s) who must attest to the completion of that experience.

(3) Award of a D.V.M. or V.M.D. degree or equivalent from an American Veterinary Medical Association accredited or listed college of veterinary medicine.

(4) Registration, certification, or licensure as an animal health or veterinary technician in one or more states and thirty-six months of full-time experience under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian(s).

(5) Completion of a course in veterinary technician education as a member of the United States military and completion of a tour of active duty as a veterinary technician or specialist.

(6) Five years full-time experience as an unregistered assistant under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian(s) who must attest to the completion of that experience.