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#### 87-03-01-01. Definition of a veterinary technician.

As used in this chapter, "veterinary technician" has the same meaning as "licensed veterinary technician" as defined in North Dakota Century Code section 43-29-01.1.

History: Effective October 1, 1981; amended effective November 1, 1991; January 1, 1999.

General Authority: NDCC 43-29-09

Law Implemented: NDCC 43-29-07.1, 43-29-09

#### 87-03-01-02. Requirements for licensure as a veterinary technician.

Licensure as a veterinary technician requires a recommendation from a licensed veterinarian and a passing score on the veterinary technician national examination.

History: Effective October 1, 1981; amended effective November 1, 1991; January 1, 1999; April 1,

2009.

**General Authority:** NDCC 43-29-09 **Law Implemented:** NDCC 43-29-07.1

## 87-03-01-03. Prerequisites for taking the national examination.

The minimum prerequisite for taking the veterinary technician national examination is graduation from an accredited program in veterinary technology. Candidates who are students in good standing at an accredited program in veterinary technology may be approved by the board to take the national examination for the first time no earlier than six months prior to their expected graduation date.

History: Effective October 1, 1981; amended effective April 1, 1986; November 1, 1991; April 1, 2009.

**General Authority:** NDCC 43-29-09 **Law Implemented:** NDCC 43-29-07.1

### 87-03-01-04. Application for licensure - Fees - License renewal.

Any person desiring licensure as a veterinary technician shall make written application for licensure to the executive secretary on forms provided for that purpose and shall pay in advance to the North Dakota board of veterinary medical examiners a fee of twenty-five dollars plus, if applicable, the cost of the veterinary technician national examination. Fees are not returned, except by action of the board. If the license is granted, the technician shall pay a fifteen dollar annual renewal registration fee by December thirty-first. The renewal registration fee shall be paid by all licensed technicians. The license will expire if the renewal registration fee is not paid by December thirty-first. Renewals not received by the due date will be assessed a late fee of fifty percent of the registration fee. A license may be

renewed for two years after it expires by payment of all past-due renewal registration fees and late fees. After two years after expiration, a new application for licensure must be made.

History: Effective October 1, 1981; amended effective November 1, 1991; January 1, 1999; August 1,

2004; April 1, 2009.

**General Authority:** NDCC 43-29-03, 43-29-09 **Law Implemented:** NDCC 43-29-07.1, 43-29-08.1

## 87-03-01-05. Educational program attendance required.

Each veterinary technician, except as otherwise provided, shall receive eight hours of veterinary technician continuing education, approved by the board, in the twenty-four months preceding each even-year renewal date. Veterinary technician continuing education is defined as an educational program that will enhance the licenseholder's professional ability to serve the public and which has the prior approval of the board. No more than two hours may be from in-house training. If a licenseholder fails to receive the amount of continuing education necessary, a written notice must be sent and a six-month grace period will be allowed to make up the requirement. If, after six months, the requirements have not been met, the license will expire.

**History:** Effective January 1, 1999; amended effective August 1, 2004.

**General Authority:** NDCC 43-29-03, 43-29-07.3, 43-29-09

Law Implemented: NDCC 43-29-07.3, 43-29-08.1