201 KAR 16:220. Approved veterinary colleges; approved programs for veterinary technicians.

RELATES TO: KRS 321.193, KRS 321.441
STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 321.193, KRS 321.441
NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 321.190 requires persons engaging in the practice of veterinary medicine in the Commonwealth to be licensed by the board. KRS 321.190 sets forth the requirements for licensure as a veterinarian. KRS 321.441 provides for the qualification, licensing, and use of veterinary technicians. One (1) of the requirements for veterinarians is the receipt of a degree from a veterinary college approved by the board, and one (1) of the requirements for veterinary technicians is the receipt of a degree from a program approved by the board. This administrative regulation sets forth the veterinary colleges and veterinary technician programs approved by the board.

Section 1. Approved Veterinary Colleges. The board hereby approves any degree from a veterinary college which held full accreditation, limited accreditation, or approval by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) Council on Education on the date when the applicant received a degree from the veterinary college.

Section 2. Licensure of Veterinarians who Graduated from Non-approved Schools. If an applicant for a veterinarian license does not possess a degree from a veterinary college within the scope set forth in Section 1 of this administrative regulation, the applicant shall be eligible for licensure after successfully completing the program and receiving certification from the Educational Commission for Foreign Veterinary Graduates (ECFVG) of the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA), or the Program for the Assessment of Veterinary Education Equivalence (PAVE) of the American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB).

Section 3. Approved Veterinary Technician Programs. The board hereby approves any veterinary technician program, or veterinary technologist program, or veterinary nurse program, which held full accreditation, limited accreditation, or approval by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) Council on Education on the date when the applicant received a degree from the institution.

Section 4. Licensure of Veterinary Technicians who Graduated from Non-approved Schools or Non-veterinary Technician Programs. If an applicant for a veterinary technician license does not possess a degree from a veterinary technician program within the scope set forth in Section 3 of this administrative regulation, the candidate shall be eligible to qualify for licensure and board approval by:
(1) Following graduation, submitting an official copy of final transcripts from the college of study, and any other requested documentation, for the board’s review and determination of approval; and
(2) Successfully completing the board approved program, receiving certification for passing the Veterinary Technician National Exam (VTNE) developed and administered by the AAVSB, and successfully completing all application requirements for licensure.
REGULATORY IMPACT ANALYSIS AND TIERING STATEMENT

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(1) Provide a brief summary of:

(a) What this administrative regulation does: This regulation establishes the approved veterinary colleges, and veterinary technician programs for persons seeking a veterinary license or veterinary technician license.

(b) The necessity of this administrative regulation: This regulation is necessary to establish the degrees and trainings that the KBVE board approves as a requirement for licensure.

(c) How this administrative regulation conforms to the content of the authorizing statutes: KRS 321.193 and 321.441 each require the board to approve a degree or program for each applicant for veterinary and veterinary technician licenses.

(d) How this administrative regulation currently assists or will assist in the effective administration of the statutes: This administrative regulation will assist in effective administration by clearly expressing what degrees and programs have been approved by the KBVE board.

(2) If this is an amendment to an existing administrative regulation, provide a brief summary of:

(a) How the amendment will change this existing administrative regulation: This is a new administrative regulation.

(b) The necessity of the amendment to this administrative regulation: This is a new administrative regulation.

(c) How the amendment conforms to the content of the authorizing statutes: This is a new administrative regulation.

(d) How the amendment will assist in the effective administration of the statutes: This is a new administrative regulation.

(3) List the type and number of individuals, businesses, organizations, or state and local governments affected by this administrative regulation: 2392 veterinary licenses, 421 veterinary technician licenses, and future applicants.

(4) Provide an analysis of how the entities identified in question (3) will be impacted by either the implementation of this administrative regulation, if new, or by the change, if it is an amendment, including:
(a) List the actions that each of the regulated entities identified in question (3) will have to take to comply with this administrative regulation or amendment: Applicants will be required to have a degree or training in a program that has KBVE approval as outlined in this filing.

(b) In complying with this administrative regulation or amendment, how much will it cost each of the entities identified in question (3): No costs are associated with compliance, as this is a perquisite for application.

(c) As a result of compliance, what benefits will accrue to the entities identified in question (3): Administrative ease of clear communication of the approved requirements.

(5) Provide an estimate of how much it will cost the administrative body to implement this administrative regulation:
   (a) Initially: No costs are anticipated.
   (b) On a continuing basis: No costs are anticipated.

(6) What is the source of the funding to be used for the implementation and enforcement of this administrative regulation: This administrative regulation does not establish fees. Fees for the KBVE come from license and certification fees.

(7) Provide an assessment of whether an increase in fees or funding will be necessary to implement this administrative regulation, if new, or by the change if it is an amendment: No fees are necessary at this time.

(8) State whether or not this administrative regulation established any fees or directly or indirectly increased any fees: No fees are established.

(9) TIERING: Is tiering applied? No. All regulated entities have the same requirements.

FISCAL NOTE ON STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

(1) What units, parts, or divisions of state or local government (including cities, counties, fire departments, or school districts) will be impacted by this administrative regulation? The KBVE

(2) Identify each state or federal statute or federal regulation that requires or authorizes the action taken by the administrative regulation. KRS 321.193, 321.441

(3) Estimate the effect of this administrative regulation on the expenditures and revenues of a state or local government agency (including cities, counties, fire departments, or school districts) for the first full year the administrative regulation is to be in effect.
   (a) How much revenue will this administrative regulation generate for the state or local government (including cities, counties, fire departments, or school districts) for the first year? No revenue will be generated from this filing.
   (b) How much revenue will this administrative regulation generate for the state or local government (including cities, counties, fire departments, or school districts) for subsequent years? No revenue will be generated.
   (c) How much will it cost to administer this program for the first year?
   (d) How much will it cost to administer this program for subsequent years? Staff time will be required for record keeping. Costs will be very minimal.

   Note: If specific dollar estimates cannot be determined, provide a brief narrative to explain the fiscal impact of the administrative regulation.
   Revenues (+/-): None
   Expenditures (+/-): None or negligible.
   Other Explanation: