

## **201 KAR 16:510. Fees for veterinarians.**

RELATES TO: KRS 321.193, 321.211, 321.240

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 321.193(1), (5), 321.211, 321.235(3), 321.240(5)

NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 321.240(5) requires the Kentucky Board of Veterinary Examiners to promulgate administrative regulations as it may deem necessary and proper to effectively carry out and enforce the provisions of KRS Chapter 321, including regulations to establish authorized fees. This administrative regulation establishes those fees for veterinarians.

Section 1. Payment and Submission of Fees. (1) Fees to the board shall be paid by check or money order, or, if available, online payment by debit or credit card. Checks and money orders shall be made payable to the Kentucky State Treasurer.

(2) All fees shall be nonrefundable.

Section 2. Application Fees for Veterinarians. (1) The application fee for a veterinarian shall be \$100.

(2) The fee shall be attached to the completed Application for Licensure as a Veterinarian form as found in 201 KAR 16:540 or online equivalent form, including all required attachments.

Section 3. Examination Fees for Veterinarians. (1) The fee for the North American Veterinary Licensing Examination (NAVLE) shall be paid directly to the International Council for Veterinary Assessment (ICVA), its designee, or current test administrator.

(2) The fee for the Kentucky State Board Examination shall be \$100 paid directly to the board.

(3) The fee for an applicant to obtain board approval to retake the NAVLE shall be fifty (50) dollars paid directly to the board and attached to the Application for Retake of the NAVLE form as found in 201 KAR 16:530 or online equivalent form.

Section 4. Renewal Fees for Veterinarians. The following fees shall be paid in connection with licensure renewals:

(1)(a) Except as provided by paragraphs (b) and (c) of this subsection, the biennial renewal fee for licensure as a veterinarian in active status shall be \$200 if:

1. The Renewal Application for Veterinarians form as found in 201 KAR 16:570 or online equivalent form is complete, including all required attachments, continuing education credits, and fee payment; and

2. The complete package is submitted to the board for review and approval not later than September 30 of the second year of the renewal biennium.

(b) For veterinarians who are initially licensed in the second year of the biennium between 365 days and 182 days prior to the end of the renewal biennium, the licensure renewal fee shall be reduced to \$100 during a licensee's first licensure cycle. The late fee for renewal, if applicable, shall not be reduced or waived without board authorization.

(c) For veterinarians who are initially licensed in the second year of the biennium between 181 days and the last day of the renewal biennium, the licensure renewal fee shall be waived during a licensee's first licensure cycle.

(2)(a) During the grace period established by KRS 321.211, a licensed veterinarian who failed to meet the September 30 renewal deadline may continue to function as though licensed until a late renewal application is submitted to the board.

(b) The late fee for biennial renewal shall be \$100 in addition to the renewal fee as

described in Section 4(1) or Section 6 of this administrative regulation.

(c) The veterinarian shall submit the complete Renewal Application for Veterinarians form as found in 201 KAR 16:570 or online equivalent form, including all required attachments, continuing education hours, and fee payment, to the board between October 1 and November 30 during the last year of the biennium.

(3) A veterinarian's license shall expire if no renewal application package and all attachments, and late fee if applicable, is paid to the board by November 30.

Section 5. Reinstatement Fees for Veterinarians. (1)(a) Except as provided by Section 6 of this administrative regulation, if not more than five (5) years have elapsed since the last date of license expiration pursuant to KRS 321.211(3), a veterinarian may pay a reinstatement fee of \$400 and submit a complete Reinstatement Application for Veterinarians form as found in 201 KAR 16:540 or online equivalent form, including all required attachments, to the board for reinstatement of his or her license.

(b) A veterinarian shall not apply for a new license during this five (5) year window; a reinstatement application shall be required.

(2) If more than five (5) years have elapsed since the last date of license expiration, a veterinarian shall apply as a new applicant to obtain a license in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Section 6. Inactive Status of License. (1)(a) A veterinarian may request inactive licensure status in accordance with 201 KAR 16:580.

(b) If using the Request for Licensure Status Change form, there shall not be a fee.

(c) If using the Renewal Application for Veterinarians form, the fee shall be as established in subsection (2) of this section.

(2) Renewal of an inactive veterinary license.

(a) The biennial renewal fee for inactive veterinarian licensure status shall be \$100 per renewal biennium.

(b) The late fees established in Section 4(2) of this administrative regulation shall apply to a license in an inactive status that was not renewed by September 30 of the biennium.

(c) A license in an inactive status that is not renewed by November 30 shall be deemed to be expired.

(3) Reinstatement of inactive veterinarian license status to active status.

(a) A veterinarian licensee in inactive status may reinstate his or her license to active status in accordance with 201 KAR 16:580.

(b) There shall be a reinstatement fee of \$200.

Section 7. Retirement of a Veterinary License. (1)(a) A veterinarian may request to retire his or her license at any time.

(b) The one-time fee for this service shall be twenty-five (25) dollars, which shall be attached to a Request for Licensure Status Change form as found in 201 KAR 16:580 or the Renewal Application for Veterinarians form as found in 201 KAR 16:570 or online equivalent forms.

(2) Once a license is retired it shall not be reactivated. If a veterinarian holds a retired license and wishes to practice again, he or she shall apply to the board for a new license to practice veterinary medicine in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Section 8. Fee Reduction for Military Personnel. If a veterinarian applicant submits a copy of his or her DD-214 (or other documentation acceptable to the board) with their application or renewal paperwork, the board shall waive or reduce fees as indicated in this section.

(1) For active duty military, active reserves, and National Guard service persons, an individual's initial application fees, the Kentucky State Exam fee, and the biennial renewal fees shall be waived.

(2) For retired military personnel with twenty (20) or more years of service, an individual's initial application fees shall be waived, and the biennial renewal fees shall be reduced by half, rounded to the nearest whole dollar.

(3) For any other military veteran, the initial application fees shall be waived.

(4) All other requirements of licensure, including renewal deadlines and continuing education requirements established in 201 KAR 16:590, shall still be met. (46 Ky.R. 1723, 2460, 2604; eff. 6-30-2020.)