ARC 8018C

VETERINARY MEDICINE BOARD[811]

Adopted and Filed

Rulemaking related to temporary veterinary permits

The Board of Veterinary Medicine hereby rescinds Chapter 9, "Temporary Veterinary Permits," Iowa Administrative Code, and adopts a new chapter with the same title.

Legal Authority for Rulemaking

This rulemaking is adopted under the authority provided in Iowa Code section 169.5.

State or Federal Law Implemented

This rulemaking implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code chapter 169.

Purpose and Summary

This rulemaking updates the Board's temporary permit rules by removing outdated or redundant provisions that are covered by statute.

Public Comment and Changes to Rulemaking

Notice of Intended Action for this rulemaking was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on January 24, 2024, as **ARC 7564C**. Public hearings were held on February 29 and March 8, 2024, at 10 a.m. at the Wallace State Office Building, Second Floor Boardroom, 502 East 9th Street, Des Moines, Iowa. No one attended the public hearings. No public comments were received. No changes from the Notice have been made.

Adoption of Rulemaking

This rulemaking was adopted by the Board on April 25, 2024.

Fiscal Impact

This rulemaking has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

Jobs Impact

After analysis and review of this rulemaking, no impact on jobs has been found.

Waivers

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rulemaking would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Board for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any, pursuant to 811—Chapter 14.

Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rulemaking by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this rulemaking at its regular monthly meeting or at a special meeting. The Committee's meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

Effective Date

This rulemaking will become effective on July 1, 2024.

The following rulemaking action is adopted:

ITEM 1. Rescind 811—Chapter 9 and adopt the following new chapter in lieu thereof:

CHAPTER 9

TEMPORARY VETERINARY PERMITS

811—9.1(169) Eligibility for a temporary permit.

9.1(1) *Temporary educational permit.* For the purpose of this subrule, "qualified applicant" means a person who is undertaking internship or residency training at Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine. A temporary educational permit may be issued upon application to a qualified applicant who does not also seek an Iowa veterinary license. A temporary educational permit allows the permit holder to act as a licensed veterinarian, including for privately owned animals, but only within the scope of the permit holder's internship or residency program at Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine. Verification of internship or residency consists of an endorsement signed by the dean of the school and submitted directly to the board by the school. A temporary educational permit expires upon termination of the permit holder's internship or residency program, as reported by the dean of the school of veterinary medicine. An initial temporary educational permit may be issued by the board for a term of up to two years. An initial temporary educational permit may be renewed by the board for a term of up to one year. No more than two renewals will be granted to the same person.

9.1(2) Temporary in-state practice permit.

a. A temporary in-state practice permit may be issued upon application to a qualified applicant who does not also seek an Iowa license. For the purpose of this subrule, "qualified applicant" means a person who:

(1) Has graduated from an AVMA-accredited or AVMA-listed school of veterinary medicine or has received an ECFVG or PAVE certificate.

(2) Is licensed in good standing in another jurisdiction.

(3) Has, in the case of an applicant with a non-Iowa license seeking licensure under Iowa Code section 169.10(1):

1. Successfully completed the National Board Examination (NBE) if the applicant's non-Iowa license was issued between December 31, 1964, and December 31, 1979.

2. Successfully completed the NBE and the Clinical Competency Test (CCT) if the applicant's non-Iowa license was issued between January 1, 1980, and December 31, 2000.

3. Successfully completed the NAVLE in accordance with rule 811—7.1(169) if the applicant's non-Iowa license was issued on or after January 1, 2001.

b. The temporary permit is issued in accordance with Iowa Code section 169.11(2). The temporary in-state practice permit allows the permit holder to act as a licensed veterinarian in this state. A person cannot obtain more than three temporary permits.

811-9.2(169) Application.

9.2(1) An application for a temporary permit is to be made on a form provided by the board. The application will state whether the applicant is applying for a temporary educational permit or a temporary in-state practice permit. The applicant will provide a statement indicating all jurisdictions in which the applicant is or has ever been licensed to practice veterinary medicine and consent to the release of information to the board from jurisdictions in which the applicant is or has ever been licensed.

9.2(2) The board may require from an applicant or obtain from other sources such other information pertinent to character and education of the applicant as it may deem necessary in order to pass upon the applicant's qualifications.

9.2(3) In the case of an applicant under subrule 9.1(2), the applicant will provide evidence of approved continuing education totaling at least 60 hours obtained in the previous three years.

9.2(4) The temporary permit fee and the application fee will accompany the application.

811—9.3(169) Practice without benefit of temporary permit or Iowa license. An applicant for a temporary permit or an Iowa license cannot engage in the practice of veterinary medicine unless and until a temporary permit or Iowa license is granted by the board. Prior to the issuance of the temporary permit or Iowa license, an applicant who is otherwise qualified under rule 811—9.1(169) may perform within the same scope of authority as a licensed veterinary technician as provided in 811—Chapter 8.

811—9.4(169) Grounds for discipline and disciplinary procedures. A disciplinary action against a permit holder, including grounds for disciplinary action, is governed by 811—Chapter 10. In addition to the applicable grounds set forth in 811—Chapter 10, an applicant for a temporary permit or an Iowa license who engages in the practice of veterinary medicine prior to the issuance of the temporary permit or Iowa license is subject to denial or revocation of the temporary permit, denial or revocation of the Iowa license, and referral for civil or criminal prosecution, at the board's discretion.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 169.

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