**Section 1500.11 Application by Graduates of Unapproved Programs**

a) An applicant for examination who is a graduate of an unapproved program of veterinary medicine and surgery shall file an application, on forms supplied by the Division, and shall be accompanied by the following:

1) A verification of enrollment in either the Program for the Assessment of Veterinary Education Equivalence (PAVE) from the American Association of Veterinary State Boards or from the American Veterinary Medical Association Educational Commission of Foreign Veterinary Graduates (ECFVG) indicating that the applicant has met all of the requirements for certification except for completion of clinical skills assessment;

2) The required fee specified in Section 1500.47;

3) Certification of licensure from all jurisdictions in which the applicant has ever been licensed and is currently licensed, if applicable, stating:

A) The time during which the applicant was licensed in that jurisdiction, including the date of original issuance of the license;

B) A description of the licensure examination in that jurisdiction;

C) Whether the file on the applicant contains any record of disciplinary actions taken or pending;

4) For applicants who submit any document in a foreign language, an original, notarized English translation.

b) An applicant for licensure who is a graduate of an unapproved program of veterinary medicine and surgery must hold a certificate from ECFVG or PAVE. Application shall be filed on forms supplied by the Division and shall be accompanied by the following:

1) An original certificate from ECFVG or PAVE indicating completion of the proficiency examination or the completion of 1 year of clinical experience.

2) The required fee specified in Section 1500.47.

3) Certification of licensure from all jurisdictions in which the applicant has ever been licensed and is currently licensed, if applicable, stating:

A) The time during which the applicant was licensed in that jurisdiction, including the date of original issuance of the license;

B) A description of the licensure examination in that jurisdiction;

C) Whether the file on the applicant contains any record of disciplinary actions taken or pending.

4) For applicants who submit any document in a foreign language, an original, notarized English translation.

c) Examination prior to graduation

1) An applicant enrolled in an unapproved veterinary program will be admitted to an examination prior to graduation if he/she provides certification from the college of veterinary medicine from which the applicant is expected to graduate and verification of enrollment from ECFVG or PAVE. If certification of graduation is not received within 90 days after the scheduled graduation date, the results of the examination shall be void.

2) The results of the examination shall be made available to the applicant but no license shall be issued until the Division has received certification of the applicant's graduation and an original certificate from ECFVG or PAVE.

3) In the case of failure of the examination, the applicant must submit his/her certificate of graduation to the Division or its designated testing service prior to taking the next examination.

d) At the time a foreign graduate obtains the ECFVG or PAVE certificate and applies for licensure in Illinois, the scores shall be sent to the Division directly from the reporting entity. The passing score on the examinations shall be the passing scores established by the testing entity. Prior to January 1994, the passing score on the examination was a converted score of 75 based on 1.5 standard deviations below the mean.

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