RULE

Department of Agriculture and Forestry Board of Veterinary Medicine

Rules of Professional Conduct (LAC 46:LXXXV.813, 1203, 1205, 1207, 1217)

Editor's Note: The following sections are being repromulgated in order to notify the public of the review of LAC 46:LXXXV.Chapters 8 and 12 in accordance with 2022 *Louisiana Administrative Code* Review.

In accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq. and the 2022 *Louisiana Administrative Code* Review, the Board ("Board") of Veterinary Medicine has conducted a comprehensive review of Rules 813, 1203, 1205, 1207, and 1217 and intends to notify the public with this repromulgation of the sections below as is. The historical notes shall be updated to reflect the review of these rules. This Rule is hereby adopted on the day of promulgation.

Title 46 PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS Part LXXXV. Veterinarians

Chapter 8. Registered Veterinary Technicians §813. Revoked Certificate

- A. A registered veterinary technician whose certificate has been revoked under the provision of R.S. 37:1544.B may be reinstated by the board after proof that the failure to renew was not a willful or evasive act upon payment of the accrued fees and a penalty imposed by the board not exceeding twice the amount of delinquent fees.
- B. Any certificate that was revoked for those causes enumerated in R.S. 37:1544.A.(1-12) shall be brought before the board.
- C. The identifying number of a revoked certificate of approval shall not be issued to any person other than the original applicant.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:1549.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Veterinary Medicine, LR 16:227 (March 1990), repromulgated by the Department of Agriculture and Forestry, Board of Veterinary Medicine, LR 51:000 (September 2025).

Chapter 12. Certified Animal Euthanasia Technicians §1203. Examinations

- A. The board may formulate, administer and grade an examination (herein defined as such written examination, oral interviews, and/or practical demonstrations as the board may request or require) or may select an agency whose qualifications for performing any or all of theses functions are recognized by the board and charge said agency with the formulation, administration and/or grading of the examination.
- B. All applicants for full certification must take and pass the examination(s) adopted by the board.
- C. The administration of the examination(s) shall be in accordance with rules, practices, policies, or procedures prescribed by the board or by the designees of the board or by any person or person with whom the board may have contracted to administer said exam. The exam may be

administered by members of the board or any of the agents, employees, or designees of the board.

- D. The examination may be prepared, administered and graded by the members of the board or may be prepared, administered and/or graded, in whole or in part, by any person, firm, corporation or other entity selected, requested or designated to do so by the board.
- E. The course shall consist of presentations in the areas of legal concerns (Veterinary Practice Act), record-keeping requirements (Veterinary Practice Act and DEA), human safety, and a general knowledge of sodium pentobarbital and proper euthanasia techniques.
- F. The administration of the course shall be in accordance with rules, practices, policies, or procedures prescribed by the board or its designees. Instruction may be provided by the members of the board or any agent, employee, or designee of the board.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:1558.

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§1205. Passing Scores

- A. A passing score on any written and/or oral portions of the examination shall be deemed to be the correct answering of 70 percent of the questions contained on that portion of the examination.
- B. A passing grade on the practical portion of the examination will be determined by the successful completion of a series of hands-on demonstrations which indicate that the applicant has been properly trained in procedures which will enable him to safely and effectively perform humane euthanasia with sodium pentobarbital.
- C. Applicants who fail to achieve a passing score on any portion of the examination, either written or practical, will not be eligible for a certificate of approval nor may they apply for a temporary certificate of approval.
- D. Appeals concerning the examination must be made in writing to the board within 30 days of the administration of the examination. All such formal appeals will be reviewed at the next available meeting of the board. The board may call witnesses and/or hold public hearings as it deems necessary although it is not required to do so unless otherwise specified by statute. The decision of the board regarding such appeals is final.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:1558.

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§1207. Certificates without Examination

A. The board shall not issue full certificates of approval without examination under any circumstances, except as provided in this Chapter.

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§1217. Revoked Certificate

- A. A person whose certificate of approval has been revoked pursuant to R.S. 37:1554 must reapply for a new certificate.
- B. A person whose certificate of approval has been revoked pursuant to R.S. 37:1554 shall not be issued a new certificate unless approved by a majority of the quorum of the board.
- C. The identifying number of a revoked certificate of approval shall not be issued to any person other than the original holder of that number.

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