



VETERINARY PRACTITIONERS REGISTRATION BOARD OF VICTORIA

GENERAL REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Are you eligible to register in Victoria?

If your principal place of residence is in Victoria or will be when you start practising, you must lodge an application for registration with the Veterinary Practitioners Registration Board of Victoria (the Board). If your principal place of residence is in another Australian jurisdiction or will be when you start practising, you must lodge an application for registration in that jurisdiction.

Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition

Practitioners currently registered to practise in New Zealand can apply for registration under the Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition Agreement. If you are registered in New Zealand, please write "TTMR" at the top of the application form.

Qualifications

Sections 5 and 6 of the *Veterinary Practice Act 1997* set out the requirements for general registration as a veterinary practitioner in Victoria. Graduates with veterinary degrees from tertiary institutions accredited by the Australasian Veterinary Boards Council (AVBC) qualify for registration without further examination. Degrees in veterinary science and/or medicine awarded by AVMA-, RCVS- or VSAAC-accredited universities *may* qualify for registration without further examination. Graduates from AVMA-accredited universities must have also successfully completed the NAVLE. All accredited universities are listed on the Australasian Veterinary Board Council Inc. website at <https://www.avbc.asn.au/skills>

Registration period

The registration period is from 1 July to 30 June in any one year.

Conditions, limitations, restrictions

The Board may impose conditions, limitations, or restrictions to registration granted under section 6 of the *Veterinary Practice Act 1997*.

Letter of professional standing

If you are registered in another Australian or international jurisdiction, you must arrange for the registration or licensing authority in that jurisdiction to send the Board a letter of professional standing. That authority will send the letter directly to us.

Privacy

The Board is committed to handling personal information in a responsible manner, having regard to your right to privacy. Information on this form is being collected under the provisions of the *Veterinary Practice Act 1997* and associated regulations and will be used to process your application for registration. The Board's privacy policy is available from www.vetboard.vic.gov.au/VPRBV/Privacy_Policy/VPRBV/Documents/Privacy_Policy.aspx.

Exchange of information

The Board, in processing applications and carrying out its primary functions, will exchange information about you with other organisations such as Australian and overseas veterinary practitioner registration boards, other Federal and/or State government regulatory authorities, registered medical practitioners, complainants and the Board's solicitors as well as drug wholesalers.

Under sections 16(7) and (8) of the *Veterinary Practice Act 1997*, the Board has the authority to provide register particulars to an interstate veterinary registration authority for the purposes of enabling that authority to administer or execute the law under which that authority confers or grants a right to carry on or engage in veterinary practice. A national register of all Australian registered veterinary practitioners is administered by the Australasian Veterinary Boards Council Inc (AVBC) for the purposes of exchanging information between Australian veterinary registration authorities. An extract of the Board's Register will be provided periodically to the AVBC for this purpose.

Public register

Under section 16(1) of the *Veterinary Practice Act 1997*, the Board must keep a public Register of all veterinary practitioners to whom it has granted registration. The public Register includes your name, registration number, practice address or your postal address (but not your residential address details unless you choose to display this on the public Register), your qualifications; any current conditions, limitations or restrictions on your registration; and any specialist endorsement. Some of this information can be searched on the Board's website such as: name; registration number; postcode; suburb; and specialty (if applicable). If you choose to advise any languages spoken other than English, the Board may also make this information public.

A registered veterinary practitioner's residential address must not appear on that part of the Register which is open to the public for inspection, unless the veterinary practitioner so authorises: see Principal Practice address on the application form.

REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

Veterinary practitioners are registered in Victoria under the *Veterinary Practice Act 1997*.

Veterinary Practitioners are required to be familiar with the following Victorian Acts of Parliament:

- *Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals (Control of Use) Act 1992*
- *Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals (Control of Use) Regulations 2007*
- *Domestic Animals Act 1994*
- *Domestic Animals Regulations 2005*
- *Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances Act 1981*
- *Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances Regulations 2006*
- *Livestock Disease Control Act 1994*
- *Livestock Disease Control Regulations 2006*
- *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1986*
- *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulations 2008*
- *Radiation Act 2005*
- *Radiation Regulations 2007*
- *Stock (Seller Liability & Declarations) Act 1993*
- *Veterinary Practice Act 1997*
- *Veterinary Practice Regulations 2008*

Submitting your registration application

Your application must include:

1. a completed application form, including the statutory declaration witnessed by an authorised person and fee payment details
2. a certified copy of your veterinary degree
3. if applicable, a certified copy of NAVLE, PAVE, NVE, ECVFG
4. a certified copy of photographic identification (current passport or driver's licence)
5. a curriculum vitae of your veterinary activities
6. a letter of professional standing supplied by the registration or licensing authority where you were last registered.

How to get documents certified

A certified copy of a document is a copy that has been certified as a true and correct copy of an original document by a person who is authorised to witness the signing of a statutory declaration.

To get a copy of a document certified, take both the original document and a copy of the document to a person listed in the categories under 107A in the right hand column of this page. (NOTE the Board requires documents to be witnessed independently. This means we will not accept documents from people who are related to you or live in the same house.)

The authorised person should write the following statement on the copy of your document to certify that it is a true and correct copy of the original:

'I, [full name], [qualification], of [address] certify that this [name of document] is a true and correct copy of the [name of original document] [signature & date]'

It is acceptable for the authorised person to use a printed stamp containing this wording.

Lodging your application

You must lodge your application before the cut-off date for the Board meeting when you want to be registered. See Board meeting dates at <https://www.vetboard.vic.gov.au/VPRBV/Vets/Registration/VPRBV/Vets/Registration.aspx>

We accept emailed applications if the form and supporting documents are in the form of high quality PDF scans. We do not accept .jpg or .png files. Our email address is communications@vetboard.vic.gov.au

EVIDENCE (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1958

STATUTORY DECLARATIONS

107 Statutory declarations

(1) A statutory declaration must —

- (a) contain an acknowledgement that it is true and correct and is made in the belief that a person making a false declaration is liable to the penalties of perjury; and
- (b) be signed by the person making it in the presence of a person who is authorised under Section 107A (1) to witness the signing of a statutory declaration

(2) A person who makes a declaration which the person knows to be false is liable to the penalties of perjury.

107A List of persons who may witness statutory declarations

(1) Any of the following persons may witness the signing of statutory declaration:

- (a) a justice of the peace or a bail justice;
- (b) a public notary;
- (c) an Australian lawyer (within the meaning of the Legal Profession Act 2004);
- (d) a clerk to an Australian lawyer;
- (e) the prothonotary or a deputy prothonotary of the Supreme Court, the registrar or a deputy registrar of the County Court, the principal registrar of the Magistrates' Court or a registrar or deputy registrar of the Magistrates' Court;
- (f) the registrar of probates or an assistant registrar of probates;
- (g) the associate to a judge of the Supreme Court or of the County Court;
- (h) the associate of an Associate Judge of the Supreme Court or of an associate judge of the County Court;
- (i) a person registered as a patent attorney under Chapter 20 of the Patents Act 1990 of the Commonwealth;
- (j) a member of the police force;
- (k) the sheriff or a deputy sheriff;
- (l) a member or former member of either House of the Parliament of Victoria;
- (m) a member or former member of either House of the Parliament of the Commonwealth;
- (n) a councillor of a municipality;
- (o) a senior officer of a Council as defined in the Local Government Act 1989;
- (p) a person registered under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law to practise in the medical profession (other than as a student);
- (q) a person registered under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law—
 - (i) to practise in the dental profession as a dentist (other than as a student); and
 - (ii) in the dentists division of that profession;
- (r) a veterinary practitioner;
- (s) a person registered under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law to practise in the pharmacy profession (other than as a student);
- (t) a principal in the teaching service;
- (u) the manager of an authorised deposit-taking institution;
- (v) a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia or the Australian Society of Accountants or the National Institute of Accountants;
- (w) the secretary of a building society;
- (x) a minister of religion authorised to celebrate marriages;
- (y) a person employed under Part 3 of the Public Administration Act 2004 with a classification that is prescribed as a classification to which this section applies or who holds office in a statutory authority with such a classification;
- (z) a fellow of the Institute of Legal Executives (Victoria).

APPLICANT CHECK LIST

Please ensure you have provided the following

- Completed application form — duly witnessed
- Certified copy of degree certificate
- Certified photographic ID (passport/driver's licence)
- Up-to-date personal resume (CV)
- Prescribed Fee (AUD\$)



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GENERAL REGISTRATION APPLICATION

1. Refer to the information sheet for application requirements
2. The Board meets monthly to assess applications: see cut-off dates[†]
3. Date you wish to be registered by ____ / ____ / ____
4. Fast tracking option (extra fee applies)*
5. Victorian registration number _____ Year _____

PERSONAL

Family (legal) name _____

First name _____

Middle name(s) _____

Previous names _____
Provide certified evidence of any name change if different names used (e.g. marriage certificate)

Date of birth ____ / ____ / ____

Male Female

Languages spoken other than English (optional)

PROFESSIONAL

Qualification, e.g. BVSc _____ Graduated from _____

Country _____ Year _____

NVE qualification : date passed ____ / ____ / ____

AVMA accredited university: date of NAVLE ____ / ____ / ____ or date of PAVE ____ / ____ / ____

ECFVG qualification: dated passed ____ / ____ / ____

Current position _____

Current or previous registration

Registration No _____ Year _____ Place _____

Registration No _____ Year _____ Place _____

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Please arrange for a letter of professional standing to be sent to the Board from the authority under which you were last registered (if applicable). Letters of professional standing must be provided by the authorising body and will not be accepted from the applicant.

[†] Board cut-off dates are on the website: www.vetboard.vic.gov.au/VPRBV/Registration/VPRBV/Vets/Registration.aspx

* Registration and service fees: www.vetboard.vic.gov.au/VPRBV/Vets/FeeSchedule/VPRBV/Vets/FeeSchedule.aspx

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Notes											
Approved						App #			iMIS		



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ADDRESS

If your residential address is in another Australian jurisdiction or will be when you commence practice, you must apply to register in that jurisdiction.

Victorian residential address

Applications will only be processed if the Board is satisfied that the applicant's principal place of residency will be in Victoria. If you do not yet know what your residential address will be, please write "To be advised".

Street address _____

Suburb _____ State _____ Postcode _____

Telephone _____ Mobile _____

Email _____

REGISTER: PUBLIC ADDRESS

The nominated principal place of practice will appear on that part of the Register, which is open to the public. If your principal place of practice is your residential address and you **DO NOT** wish this to appear on the public Register, please write **No Register Address** in space below.

Victorian principal place of practice

Business name _____

Street address _____

Suburb _____ State _____ Postcode _____

Telephone _____ Facsimile _____

Mobile _____

Email _____

Preferred address for correspondence

- Victorian residential address
- Victorian principal place of practice
- Other address

Suburb _____ State _____ Postcode _____

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Section 19 of the *Veterinary Practice Act 1997* requires you to notify the Board of any change of address (practice / postal / residential) within 28 days of the change: please email details to communications@vetboard.vic.gov.au



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CONSENT AND STATUTORY DECLARATION

Privacy

Personal information will be used in accordance with the Privacy and Data Protection Policy Statement[†] of the Veterinary Practitioners Registration Board of Victoria (the Board) at www.vetboard.vic.gov.au/VPRBV/Privacy_Policy/VPRBV/Documents/Privacy_Policy.aspx

Please tick each box to acknowledge that

- under section 16(1) of the *Veterinary Practice Act 1997* the Board must maintain a public Register of registered veterinary practitioners. Some of this information can be searched on the Board's website such as: name, registration number, postcode, suburb and speciality (if applicable). Any person may apply to obtain a copy of the public Register or an extract. The Board may also make public any languages spoken other than English (if this information has been provided)
- under sections 16(7) & (8) of the *Veterinary Practice Act 1997* the Board has authority to provide Register particulars to an interstate veterinary registration authority for the purposes of enabling that authority to administer or execute the law under which that authority confers or grants a right to carry on or engage in veterinary practice
- the Board may validate documents provided in support of this application as evidence of my identity and/or qualifications
- failure to complete all relevant sections of this application and enclose all supporting documentation may result in this application not being accepted

Please tick each box to consent to

- the Board, in carrying out its functions, exchanging information with other organisations, such as Australian and overseas veterinary practitioner registration boards, other Federal and/or State government regulatory authorities; drug wholesalers, registered medical practitioners, complainants and the Board's solicitors
- the Board providing public Register particulars about me to the Australasian Veterinary Boards Council Inc. for the purposes of maintaining an electronic National Database of registered veterinary practitioners

Please tick each box to declare that

- I am the person named in this application and the information that I have provided in support of this application is true and correct in every particular
- In the past twelve months I have not been found guilty of any professional misconduct or any unprofessional conduct
- In the past twelve months I have not been subject to any disciplinary actions or proceedings (including any preliminary investigation or action that might lead to disciplinary proceedings) by any body or authority constituted to discipline veterinary surgeons/practitioners
- In the past 10 years I have not been found guilty of an indictable offence in Victoria or an equivalent offence in another jurisdiction
- I have never had my registration cancelled or suspended
- I do not have any special conditions placed on a registration in another jurisdiction
- I am not unfit to practise as a registered veterinary practitioner because of a severe substance dependency (e.g. drug or alcohol)
- I do not have a physical or mental impairment which adversely affects my ability to practise as a registered veterinary practitioner.

If you are unable to complete the statutory declaration section, cross out and initial the non-applicable statement and provide relevant information separately.

I acknowledge that this declaration is true and correct and is made in the belief that a person making a false declaration is liable to the penalties of perjury.

Name of **applicant** _____

Signature of **applicant** _____

Declared at address _____

Date _____

Signature of **person authorised** to take declarations _____

Name of **authorised person** _____

at address where declared _____

Qualification of **authorised person** _____

STATUTORY DECLARATIONS MUST BE SIGNED AND WITNESSED AT THE SAME LOCATION



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PROPOSED EMPLOYMENT TYPE - please select 1 type only

Private Practice

- Small Animal (PPS)
- Mixed (PPM)
- Large Animal (PPL)
- Equine (PPE)
- Production (PPP)

Government Officer

- Commonwealth (GOC)
- State (GOS)
- Local (GOL)

Other

- Pharmaceutical Industry (PI)
- Research & Development (RD)
- Pathology Services (PA)
- Exotics and/or wildlife (EXW)
- Retired (RT)
- Treatment own animals only (TOA)
- Other veterinary (OV)

University

- University Teacher (UT)
- University Research (UR)

Government Research

- Commonwealth (GRC)
- State (GRS)

Please specify:

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APPLICATION AND REGISTRATION FEES

Before the Board considers your application, we will email you an invoice to pay your fees online. Pre-payment of fees is a registration requirement under section 6(d) of the *Veterinary Practice Act 1997*.

View current fees and charges at www.vetboard.vic.gov.au/VPRBV/Vets/FeeSchedule/VPRBV/Vets/FeeSchedule.aspx

APPLICANT CHECKLIST

I enclose

- Certified copy of photographic ID (current passport or driver's licence)
- Personal resume (curriculum vitae) of professional activities
- Prescribed fee
- Certified copy of my degree certificate
- If applicable, certified copy of NVE/ECFVG/NAVLE/PAVE
- I have organised a letter of professional standing to be sent to the Board

TELEPHONE +613 9620 7444 Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm

EMAIL Send your application by email to communications@vetboard.vic.gov.au