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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

To qualify for membership in the Saskatchewan Veterinary Medical Association (SVMA), an applicant must:

- be a graduate in veterinary medicine of a veterinary college or university;
- be at least 18 years of age;
- not have been struck from the register of, and not under suspension from, any veterinary association or equivalent body;
- be of good moral character and reputation, and
- where applicable, hold the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association's (CVMA) National Examining Board (NEB) Certificate of Qualification, or currently hold a licence to practise veterinary medicine in another Canadian province.

Membership is divided into the following categories:

General

Academic

Educational

Short Term

Social

Application Process

An application form must be completed in full and forwarded to the registrar along with the following:

- A cheque, money order, Visa or MasterCard number for appropriate SVMA and CVMA fees.
- A notarized copy of the applicant's veterinary degree and the CVMA Certificate of Qualification.
- Educational applicants must submit proof of enrolment in the College of Graduate Studies and Research at the University of Saskatchewan within one (1) month of enrolment.
- Applicants must arrange for three letters of reference to be sent *directly* to the registrar from their referees using the prescribed [reference form](#) or by letter.
- A letter of good standing, along with proof of CVMA fees paid, is to be provided by all jurisdictions where the applicant has been, is currently, or has made application to be, licensed to practise. It is your responsibility to contact these jurisdictions and have them send documents directly to the registrar.

Applicant will attend the next licensing seminar and write and pass a written examination on the provisions of *The Veterinarians Act*, bylaws and practice standards of the association. **Passing mark is 70%**. The exam fee is \$100; first re-write is \$100; second re-write is \$250. If unsuccessful on second attempt, the applicant must appear before council. If unable to attend the first seminar after being granted a licence, applicant must write the exam within 30 days of seminar date *and* attend the next seminar. Seminars are held twice yearly.

Successful applicants in any membership category are classified as temporary members until they have attended the licensing seminar.

All of the above conditions must be met before a licence will be issued.

Send all documentation to: Saskatchewan Veterinary Medical Association
102-108 Research Drive Saskatoon SK S7N 3R3

Questions? T. 306.955.7862 F. 306.975.0623 E. svma@svma.sk.ca

The application process must be completed with four (4) months from the date it was initiated by the applicant or it will be considered lapsed and the process must be re-started. All applications will be processed as quickly as possible, but ***under no circumstances may the applicant commence practise in Saskatchewan until the application is approved and a licence issued.***

Licences are valid until the last day of December following the date of issuance with the exception of short term licences.

Details on each category of membership are explained in section 14.4 of the [SVMA bylaws](#)

For information regarding the CVMA Certificate of Qualification contact:

Canadian Veterinary Medical Association
339 Booth Street
Ottawa ON K1R 7K1
T. 613.236.1162
T. 613.236.9681
www.canadianveterinarians.net

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

Members must pay applicable annual non-refundable SVMA fees and CVMA fees (unless the CVMA fee is paid through another province). Click [here](#) for fee schedule.

General

A general practice member is a registered veterinarian licensed to engage in any form of veterinary practise. The applicant must have a National Examining Board (NEB) Certificate of Qualification or have a valid current practice licence in another Canadian province.

Academic

An academic practice member is a registered veterinarian who practises veterinary medicine only in the department in which he holds a professorial appointment and to the extent required by that appointment.

Educational

An educational practice member is a registered veterinarian who only engages in the practise of veterinary medicine as an appointee in an internship, residency, graduates studies or other education program approved by SVMA council.

Short Term

A short-term practice member is a registered veterinarian who is licensed to engage in any form of the practise of veterinary medicine for a period of up to 120 days in monthly blocks. (Some restrictions may apply).

Social

A social membership may be issued to any person who has held membership in the association or any equivalent veterinary association. The applicant may not engage in the practise of veterinary medicine in Saskatchewan.