

# Idaho Veterinary Licensing Requirements



## Board Applications

### 1. Application

To receive an application packet, contact the Idaho Board of Veterinary Medicine at (208)488-7530 or email [bovminfo@dopl.idaho.gov](mailto:bovminfo@dopl.idaho.gov). Transcripts, diplomas, test scores, and other official documents must be emailed directly from the issuing organization.

#### **REQUIREMENTS:**

**1.** Must be 21 years of age or older.

**2. EDUCATION:** Must submit a copy of your diploma, transcript, or a letter of graduation from an [AVMA accredited veterinary college](#).

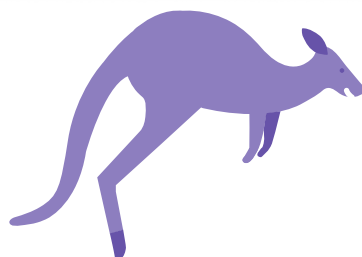
a. **Foreign Graduates** must submit a certificate of completion from either the ECFVG or PAVE OR be currently enrolled in either program.

b. **Endorsement Applicants** may submit a written attestation of graduation in lieu of providing a transcript, diploma, or certificate.

c. If you have not yet graduated, you must submit a Certificate of Expected Graduation Form (included in the application packet).

**3. EXAM APPLICANTS:** Must pass the NAVLE and have scores sent directly to the Board. You can use the [AAVSB's VAULT service](#) to send your scores for a fee of \$99.

**4. ENDORSEMENT LICENSE:** If you have been licensed in another state or US territory for 3 years immediately prior to applying, you do not need to submit your national exam scores and instead submit verification of license(s) as detailed on the next page.



## 2. Relevant Fees

Some payments can be made online using Idaho's [payment portal](#).  
(NOTE: Different from Renewal/CE Portal).



1. Initial Idaho license application fees are prorated based on when you apply. Please see this [table](#) for specific rates.

## Verify Additional Existing Veterinary Licenses:

If you are licensed or have ever held a license in another state or Canada, you must have each licensing board or the Veterinary Information Verifying Agency (VIVA) send verification of licensure directly to the Board by mail or email (addresses below).

## Additional Required Testing:

1. **Jurisprudence Test** - Included in the application packet along with a copy of the Idaho Veterinary Practice Act. You must score 90% or higher to pass.

## Mandatory Documentation:

1. **Criminal Background Check** - A fingerprint card included in application packet will be submitted to law enforcement to conduct a criminal background check. If you have a criminal background you are concerned could prevent you from being licensed, you may submit an [Inquiry on Impact of Conviction Form](#) with a \$25 fee to the Board.
2. Passport-style color photo, which must be notarized in person as part of application.

## Renewal & Reinstatement

1. Licenses can be renewed using Idaho's [online portal](#), which can also be used to submit CE or change your address.
  - a. Renewal Fee: **\$175**
2. Licenses expire every 2 years on June 30th starting from the year of initial licensure.
3. Expired licenses can be reinstated within 30 days by paying the renewal fee and late fee (\$200) for a total of **\$375**.
4. If a license has been expired for over 30 days, you must submit a new application to the Board as if applying for a new license.
5. **INACTIVE STATUS:** You may renew your license with inactive status for a lower fee of \$50 by notifying the Board if you wish to remain licensed but do not meet the renewal requirements. You can later reactivate your license for a fee of \$325.

## CE Requirements:

1. **15 hours** of CE are required every 2-year renewal period from July 1st to June 30th. CE hours must be completed within the current renewal period to count.
2. CE can be recorded online using Idaho's [online portal](#).
3. There are no set maximums or minimums for hours earned online, hours pertaining to medicine, or hours pertaining to management.
4. To request approval of a CE course/event, you can submit a [CE Approval Request Form](#) to the Board at least two weeks prior to the date of the course.



## Military License:

1. Any active duty or former member of the military discharged honorably, veterans, or the spouse of all of the above can apply for a license via the endorsement process.
2. A passing national exam score is still required unless you have practiced veterinary medicine for three years continuously prior to application.

## Contact

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Please check your local requirements as state and national guidelines may have changed since last updated on 7/31/2023.