

Important Notice

Veterinary Technician and Veterinary Trainee Applicants

PLEASE NOTE: Current law allowing people to apply for veterinary technician licensure based on experience is scheduled to expire. If you are applying for veterinary technician licensure on this basis, you must complete all the requirements before the law changes. The deadline to register for the last available examination is February 15, 2015.

Effective July 1, 2015, a veterinary technician license may be issued only to a person who has successfully completed an accredited program approved by the Veterinary Board of Governors and who has met other examination and application requirements.

Applicants who have applied for licensure based on five years of acceptable practical experience must:

- Complete all application requirements
- Successfully complete the Veterinary Technician National Examination (VTNE):
- And become licensed prior to July 1, 2015.

People applying for a veterinary technician license based on five years of practical experience should register and [pay the fee for the VTNE online](#). To be licensed before July 1, 2015, applicants must successfully complete the VTNE no later than the March 15, 2015 through April 15, 2015 administration. The deadline to apply for the March 15, 2015 through April 15, 2015 testing window is February 15, 2015. Applicants should contact the [American Association of Veterinary State Boards](#) to confirm testing dates and deadlines.

People should submit veterinary technician licensure applications to the Department of Health by December 15, 2014 to allow application processing time to meet the February 15, 2015 deadline.

Veterinary technician trainees must complete all tasks and procedures required to apply for the veterinary technician license and submit that information with the veterinary technician licensure application by December 15, 2014, to allow for application processing time to meet the February 15, 2015 deadline.

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