

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Agriculture and Forestry Board of Veterinary Medicine

Licensure Procedures
(LAC 46:LXXXV.305, 811, 1213, and 1505)

The Louisiana Board of Veterinary Medicine (LBVM) has exercised the emergency provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, specifically La. R.S.49:953(B), and through the authority granted in R.S. 37:1518, and in accordance with Executive Department Proclamation Number 172 JBE 2021 to adopt an emergency rule which will add language to §305, §811, §1213, and §1505. The added language in these sections will give the board the ability to temporarily extend the time related to the renewal of licenses to practice veterinary medicine, the certifications of registered veterinary technicians, certified animal euthanasia technicians, and registered equine dentists during the current fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. Any license renewed or reinstated under this exception shall have met the continuing education requirements to renew and maintain licensure for the current fiscal year.

In accordance with Governor Edwards' Proclamation Number 172 JBE 2021, section 2(7), the LBVM is adopting these rules to amend/waive rules that further extend the non-essential deadline as necessary to respond to the emergency created by Hurricane Ida.

Title 46 PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS

Part LXXXV. Veterinarians

Chapter 3. Licensure Provisions

§305. Renewals

A. - A.4. ...

5. Notwithstanding any provision in this Chapter to the contrary, for the 2021-2022 renewal period, a licensee who has not submitted a renewal application by September 30, 2021 shall have until October 30, 2021 to do so. All documentation of compliance with continuing education requirements in accordance with Chapter 4 of this Part must have been submitted on or prior to October 30, 2021.

B. - B.6. ...

7. Notwithstanding any provision in this Chapter to the contrary, the holder of any expired license which expiration date was between August 26, 2016 and September 24, 2016 shall have until October 30, 2021 to comply with the provisions of subsections 1-6, above.

C. - D.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:1518 et seq.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Veterinary Medicine, LR 19:343 (March 1993); amended LR 23:965 (August, 1997), LR 24:941 (May 1998), LR 26:322 (February 2000), LR 47:

Chapter 5. Fees

§505. License Renewal Late Fee

A. ...

1. Notwithstanding any provision in this Chapter to the contrary, for the renewal period of 2021-2022, any license which has not been renewed as of September 30, 2021, has until October 30, 2021 to renew and pay the annual renewal fee without late fee.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:1518 et seq.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Resources, Board of Veterinary Medicine, LR 10:208 (March 1984), amended by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Veterinary Medicine, LR 19:1429 (November 1993), LR 20:1114 (October 1994), LR 25:2408 (December 1999), LR 40:2258 (November 2014), LR 47:

Chapter 8. Registered Veterinary Technicians

§811. Certificate Renewal, Late Charge, Continuing Education

A. - C.

1. Notwithstanding any provision in this Chapter to the contrary, for the 2021-2022 renewal period, an RVT who has not submitted a renewal application by September 30, 2021 shall have until October 30, 2021 to do so. All documentation of compliance of continuing education requirements as required in subsection 811 D. of this Chapter must have been submitted on or prior to October 30, 2021. Renewals made under this emergency provision, after September 30, 2021, are not subject to the late fees provided for by §811C of this chapter.

D. - G. ...

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), amended LR 23:1686 (December 1997), LR 26:84 (January 2000), LR 36:320 (February 2010), LR 37:1153 (April 2011), LR 47:

Chapter 12. Certified Animal Euthanasia Technicians

§1213. Renewal of Certificates

A. ...

1. Notwithstanding any provision in this Chapter to the contrary, for the 2021-2022 renewal period, a certified animal euthanasia technician who has not submitted a renewal application by September 30, 2021 shall have until October 30, 2021 to do so. All documentation of compliance with continuing education requirements as provided for in §1227 of this Chapter must have been submitted on or prior to October 30, 2021. Renewals made under this emergency provision, after September 30, 2021, are not subject to the late fees provided for by §1211 A. of this chapter.

B. - D. ...

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

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Veterinary Medicine, LR 19:1426 (November 1993), amended LR 23:1685 (December 1997), LR 26:319 (February 2000), LR 47:

§1215. Expired Certificate

A. ...

1. Notwithstanding any provision in this Chapter to the contrary, the holder of any expired certificate of approval which expiration date was between August 26, 2021 and September 24, 2021 shall have until October 30, 2021, to comply with the provisions of subpart A. of this Section.

B. - C. ...

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

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Veterinary Medicine, LR 19:1426 (November 1993), amended LR 26:319 (February 2000), LR 47:

Chapter 15. Registered Equine Dentists.

§1505. Renewal of Certificate

A. ...

1. Notwithstanding any provision in this Chapter to the contrary, for the 2021-2022 renewal period, a registered equine dentist who has not submitted a renewal application by September 30, 2021 shall have until October 30, 2021 to do so. All documentation of compliance with continuing education requirements as provided for in §1517 of this Chapter must have been submitted prior to September 30, 2021. Renewals made under this emergency provision, after September 30, 2021, are not subject to the late fees provided for by §1503 of this chapter.

B.-E. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:1518.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Veterinary Medicine, LR 26:491 (March 2000), LR 47:

§1507. Expired Certificate

A. ...

1. Notwithstanding any provision in this Chapter to the contrary, the holder of any expired certificate of approval which expiration date was between August 26, 2021 and September 24, 2021 shall have until October 30, 2021, to comply with the provisions of subpart A. of this Section.

B. - C. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:1518.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Veterinary Medicine, LR 26:491 (March 2000), LR 47:

Joseph Bondurant, Jr., DVM
President