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RULE SUMMARY: Provides opportunity for CE for licensees to attend OVMEB Board Meetings; increases Board Meeting participation and licensee engagement.

CHANGES TO RULE:

875-010-0090  
Continuing Education Requirements (CE) ¶¶

- (1) All active licensees, including veterinarians and certified veterinary technicians, must comply with the CE, as defined in OAR 875-005-0005, and as provided in this rule in order to renew their licenses.¶¶
- (2) Licensees wishing to renew their license must complete the minimum required number of CE hours every two years. Veterinarians shall report 30 hours of CE to the Board with license renewals for every odd-numbered year. Certified veterinary technicians shall report 15 hours of CE to the Board for every even-numbered year. The required hours may be obtained online and be satisfied with any combination of the following continuing education activities:¶¶
  - (a) Attendance at scientific workshops or seminars approved by the Board or by the American Association of Veterinary Boards Registry of Approved Continuing Education (RACE).¶¶
  - (b) A maximum of four hours for veterinarians or two hours for certified veterinary technicians reading approved scientific journals. One subscription to an approved journal is equal to one hour of credit.¶¶
  - (c) A maximum of six hours for veterinarians or three hours for certified veterinary technicians of workshops or seminars on non-scientific subjects relating to the practice of veterinary medicine such as communication skills, practice management, stress management, or chemical impairment. This includes one hour of CE for each meeting when attending the public portion of a meeting of the Oregon Veterinary Medical Examining Board, so long as the licensee attends for at least one hour of the meeting.¶¶
  - (d) A minimum for veterinarians of one hour each in judicious antibiotic use and appropriate analgesic and anesthetic methods.¶¶
- (3) Workshops, seminars, and prepared materials on scientific and non-scientific subjects relating to veterinary medicine sponsored by the following organizations are approved:¶¶
  - (a) American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) and Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA);¶¶
  - (b) Specialty and allied groups of the American Veterinary Medical Association and Canadian Veterinary Medical

Association;¶¶

(c) Regional meetings such as the Inter-Mountain Veterinary Medical Association, Central Veterinary Conference, and Western Veterinary Conference;¶¶

(d) Any state or province veterinary medical association;¶¶

(e) Any local or regional veterinary medical association;¶¶

(f) The American Animal Hospital Association;¶¶

(g) American and Canadian Veterinary Schools accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association;¶¶

(h) All federal, state or regional veterinary medical academies or centers;¶¶

(i) Other programs receiving prior approval by the Board.¶¶

(4) The Board may approve other sponsors for lectures or prepared materials upon written request by the attending veterinarian or the sponsor.¶¶

(5) Scientific journals and publications relating to veterinary medicine are approved by the Board to satisfy a maximum of four hours of non-lecture CE activities.¶¶

(6) Study in a graduate resident program at an AVMA-approved veterinary school will satisfy the CE requirements for the year in which the veterinarian is enrolled in such program.¶¶

(7) Postgraduate coursework in veterinary science or veterinary public health at an AVMA- or Board-approved educational institution will satisfy CE requirements on a semester or credit hour basis for the reporting period in which the coursework occurs.¶¶

(8) Reporting CE credits.¶¶

(a) At the time of making application for license renewal in years when CE reporting is required, the veterinarian shall certify on the application form that 30 hours of CE, and the veterinary technician shall certify on the application form that 15 hours of CE, as set forth in this rule have been satisfied. Proof of participation in such CE programs must be kept by the licensee for a period of at least two years, and the licensee must permit the Board to inspect CE records. Failure to keep or provide these records to the Board shall constitute grounds for non-renewal of the license, or, if the license has been issued for that year, for revocation of the license;¶¶

(b) Proof of compliance with the CE requirement of this rule may be supplied through registration forms at lectures, certificates issued by the sponsors of lectures, subscriptions to journals, and other documentation approved by the Board.¶¶

(9) The Board may approve CE programs presented by non-veterinarians, if program content is pertinent or complementary to veterinary medicine.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 686.210

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 686.410 - 686.420