

New Graduate Veterinary Application Requirements

You must meet the following requirements to receive an Ohio veterinary license. If you do not meet the following requirements within six (6) months of the Board receiving your application, your application will be considered incomplete. Please note: your application fee still remains non-refundable. You will be required to resubmit your application and application fee once you have met all requirements.

- You must be a graduate from an AVMA approved college or have completed the ECFVG or PAVE program. An official copy of your final transcript must be submitted to the Ohio Board from the veterinary college granting your degree. If you are a foreign veterinary graduate, a copy of your ECFVG or PAVE program certificate completion (Steps 1, 2, 3 & 4) must be submitted to the Ohio Board.
- If you are seeking licensure before your final transcripts are ready you may submit a letter from the dean indicating your graduation date to which the Board can issue a license pending your final transcripts. You will then have 6 weeks after graduation to submit your final transcripts to the Ohio Board.
- You must pass the North American Veterinary Licensing Exam (NAVLE) and have your passing scores transferred to the Ohio Board.
- Submit a fee: even numbered years = \$425.00; odd numbered years = \$300.00. All applications will be charged a \$3.50 transaction fee as well.
- You must complete both an Ohio criminal background check and an FBI criminal background check, conducted by the Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI). The results must be forwarded to the Ohio Board directly from BCI. For more information on the Board's requirements, please visit the Background Check Requirements page on their website (<http://ovmlb.ohio.gov/bkchk.stm>).
- You must provide official court documentation and a written statement explaining criminal charges if applicable.

To begin the application process go to: https://elicense.ohio.gov/OH_HomePage
click Login/Create Your Account