

## MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR VETERINARY FACILITIES IN ONTARIO TITLE 5. – COMPANION ANIMAL EMERGENCY CLINIC

### 1.0 GENERAL

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| 1.1 | The facility,  |  |   |   |
|     | 1. is self-contained,  |  | Y | N |
|     | 2. has a separate and distinct entrance directly from the street or, if the facility is in a building containing more than one facility, directly from a common lobby, hallway or mall.            |  | Y | N |
| 1.2 | The facility has, and appears to have, the practice of veterinary medicine as its primary purpose.   |  | Y | N |
| 1.3 | The facility is not, and does not appear to be, associated with or operated in connection with another enterprise.   |  | Y | N |
|     | <b>1.3.N Standards 1.2 and 1.3 do not prohibit the providing of ancillary services in the facility which are incidental and subordinate to the professional services provided in the facility.</b> |  |   |   |
| 1.4 | The facility is not located in, and has no direct public access to, a commercial establishment,  |  |   |   |
|     | 1. where animals are bought or sold,   |  | Y | N |
|     | 2. providing animal food or other goods or services used principally by, with or for animals.  |  | Y | N |

### 1.5 RECORDS

**Note:** Refer to O.REG 1093, 22.-(1), (5) and (6), Regulation1093 Revised Regulations of Ontario as amended under the Veterinarians Act.

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|---|--|--|---|---|
| 22.-(1) Do the records for each companion animal contain: |  |  |   |   |
| 1.5.22.1.1  | (1) Patient identification, including species, age and sex.  |  | Y | N |
| 1.5.22.1.2  | (2) Client's name, address and telephone numbers.  |  | Y | N |
| 1.5.22.1.3  | (3) If the client is likely to be absent from his or her address while the animal is confined with the member, the name, address and telephone number of a person to be contacted in case of an emergency. |  | Y | N |
| 1.5.22.1.4  | (4) Date of each time that the member sees the animal.   |  | Y | N |
| 1.5.22.1.5  | (5) A history of the animal's health, including a record of vaccinations.  |  | Y | N |
| 1.5.22.1.6  | (6) The animal's current weight.   |  | Y | N |
| 1.5.22.1.7  | (7) Particulars of each assessment, including any laboratory investigations performed or ordered by the member and the results of each assessment.   |  | Y | N |
| 1.5.22.1.8  | (8) A note of any professional advice given regarding the animal and an indication of when and to whom the advice was given if other than the client.  |  | Y | N |
| 1.5.22.1.9  | (9) All medical or surgical treatments and procedures used, dispensed, prescribed or performed by or at the direction of the member, including the name, strength, dose and quantity of any drugs.         |  | Y | N |
| 1.5.22.1.10   | (10) A copy of all reports prepared by the member in respect of the animal.  |  | Y | N |
| 1.5.22.1.11   | (11) A final assessment of the animal.   |  | Y | N |
| 1.5.22.1.12   | (12) The fees and charges, showing separately those for drugs and those for advice or other services.  |  | Y | N |

**1.5 RECORDS (continued)**

- 22.-(5) Are the records:
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|------------|------|--|---|---|
| 1.5.22.5.1 | (a)  | Legibly written or typewritten;  | Y | N |
| 1.5.22.5.2 | (b)  | Kept in a systematic manner;   | Y | N |
| 1.5.22.5.3 | (b1) | In practices of more than one practitioner or practices that employ locums, identified after each entry with the initials or code of the veterinarian responsible for the procedure; and | Y | N |
| 1.5.22.3.4 | (c)  | Retained for a period of at least five years.  | Y | N |
- 22.-(6) Are the records retained in an electronic medium.  
**(EITHER YES OR NO)**
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|  |  |  | Y | N |
|--|--|--|---|---|
- IF YES:**
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|------------|--|---|---|---|
| 1.5.22.6.1 |  | Is the recorded information capable of being printed promptly.            | Y | N |
| 1.5.22.6.2 |  | Are any changes in the recorded information clearly indicated as changes. | Y | N |

How many records were examined? \_\_\_\_\_

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| 1.6 | The facility contains consent-to-surgery forms for execution by clients, and there is evidence that the forms are used and maintained in the animal's clinical record. | Y | N |
| 1.7 | There is evidence of a system by which a copy of the treatment record is given to the client for transmission of the client's regular veterinarian.                    | Y | N |

**2.0 LIBRARY**

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| 2.1 | The facility contains,  |   |   |
|     | 1. 1 or more veterinary reference textbooks published within the prior three years on basic topics in companion animal medicine or surgery (such as diagnosis, therapy or surgery),   | Y | N |
|     | 2. 2 or more current subscriptions to journals that are generally accepted as authoritative in recent developments in companion animal medicine or surgery; <b>OR</b> alternatively, a subscription to a computerized veterinary information network, | Y | N |
|     | 3. (a) a copy of the Veterinarians Act (Bill 39),   | Y | N |
|     | (b) and the regulations (O.Reg. 1093),  | Y | N |
|     | (c) minimum standards,  | Y | N |
|     | (d) and by-laws under the Act,  | Y | N |
|     | 4. a copy of the current regulations made under the <u>Drug and Pharmacies Regulation Act, Health Disciplines Act (O.REG.551)</u> ,   | Y | N |
|     | 5. a copy of the <u>Compendium of Pharmaceuticals and Specialties</u> published within the last three years,  | Y | N |
|     | 6. a copy of the <u>Compendium of Veterinary Products</u> <b>OR</b> <u>CDMV Compendium</u> published within the last three years.   | Y | N |

**2.1.N. The above library requirements may be met by having access to an electronic equivalent.**

**3.0 CLIENT AMENITIES**

3.1 The facility contains a reception area. Y N

**3.1.N. The reception area can not be within the examination room.**

3.2 The reception area,  
 1. is entered directly from the outside of the facility, Y N  
 2. contains sufficient seating for the reasonably expected number of clients. Y N

3.3 The furniture in the reception area is clean and in good repair. Y N

3.4 The facility contains a washroom that can be used by clients. Y N

**4.0 EXAMINATION ROOM**

4.1 The facility contains a room for the physical examination of animals. Y N

**4.1.N The examination room may also be used as a treatment area.**

4.2 The examination room is,  
 1. large enough for a veterinarian to examine an animal conveniently with a client present in the area, together with any necessary (and at least one) assistant and the required equipment, Y N  
 2. well lit. Y N

4.3 The examination room contains,  
 1. an examination table, with a readily sanitized, fluid-impervious surface, Y N  
 2. a waste receptacle. Y N

4.4 The following equipment and supplies are readily available in the facility,  
 1. restraint devices such as a leash, muzzle or safety snare, Y N  
 2. stethoscope, Y N  
 3. ophthalmoscope, Y N  
 4. fluorescein eye-staining strips or single-dose disposable fluorescein eye drops, Y N  
 5. otoscope and speculum, Y N  
 6. alcohol or other disinfectant, Y N  
 7. thermometer, Y N  
 8. examination gloves, Y N  
 9. lubricant, Y N  
 10. disinfectant for the examination table and applicators for the disinfectant, Y N  
 11. a weigh scale appropriate to the weights of reasonably expected animals. Y N

**5.0 PHARMACY**

5.1 **Note:** Refer to O.REG.1093 25.-(1) to 29-(4) Regulation 1093 Revised Regulations of Ontario, as amended under the Veterinarians Act.

5.1.25.1 25.-(1) Is there a system for filing the records of purchasing drugs. Y N  
 (2) Do these records contain the following information:

5.1.25.2.1 (a) The date of the purchase. Y N

5.1.25.2.2 (b) The name, strength and quantity of the drug. Y N

**5.0 PHARMACY (continued)**

5.1.25.2.3	(c)	The name and address of the person from whom the drug was purchased or received.	Y	N
5.1.25.2.4	(d)	The purchase price.	Y	N
5.1.25.2.5	(e)	Evidence of the signature of the member who purchased controlled substances, ketamine and targeted drugs.	Y	N
5.1.27.2.	27.-(2)	Are the written records retained for at least five years. <b>(not applicable if a new facility)</b>	N/A	Y N
		Are drugs dispensed from the hospital? <b>(EITHER YES OR NO)</b>	Y	N
		<b>IF YES:</b>		
	27.-(3)	Are the containers in which the drugs are dispensed marked with:		
5.1.27.3.1	(a)	The name, strength and quantity of the drug.	Y	N
5.1.27.3.2	(b)	The date the drug is dispensed.	Y	N
5.1.27.3.3	(c)	The name and address of the member.	Y	N
5.1.27.3.4	(d)	The identify of the animal or group of animals for which it is dispensed.	Y	N
5.1.27.3.5	(e)	The name of the owner of the animal(s).	Y	N
5.1.27.3.6	(f)	Prescribed directions for use.	Y	N
5.1.28	28.	Does the member dispense controlled substances? <b>(EITHER YES OR NO)</b>	Y	N
		<b>IF YES:</b>		
5.1.28.1.0		Is there a <b>"Controlled Substances Register"</b> ?	Y	N
		Are <b>ALL</b> controlled substances recorded in the register?	Y	N
	28.-(1)	Does the <b>Controlled Substances Register</b> contain the following information:		
5.1.28.1.1	(a)	The date of dispensing.	Y	N
5.1.28.1.2	(b)	The name and address of the owner of the animal(s) for which the drug was dispensed.	Y	N
5.1.28.1.3	(c)	The name, strength and quantity of the drug dispensed.	Y	N
5.1.28.1.4	(d)	The quantity of drug remaining after dispensing.	Y	N
5.1.28.4	28.-(4)	Are <b>ALL</b> controlled substances, ketamine and targeted drugs kept in a locked cabinet designed and constructed to ensure the reasonable security of the drugs.	Y	N
5.2		Secondary containers for the storage of drugs within the facility have labels containing the name, strength where applicable, lot number and expiry date of the drug.	Y	N
5.3		Expired drugs are kept separate from unexpired drugs and are discarded or returned to the manufacturer promptly after expiry.	Y	N
5.4		Drugs requiring refrigeration are kept in a refrigerator.	Y	N
5.5.		The facility contains at least one each of the following,		
	1.	adrenergic/sympathomimetic,	Y	N
	2.	anti-cholinergic,	Y	N
	3.	whole blood or, alternatively, there is evidence of an arrangement under which the members practising in the facility can obtain whole blood as needed,	Y	N
	4.	plasma volume expander or stored frozen plasma or both,	Y	N

**5.0 PHARMACY (continued)**

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5.	analgesic,	Y	N
6.	sedative/tranquilizer,	Y	N
7.	anesthetic: local/regional,	Y	N
8.	anti-inflammatory,	Y	N
9.	anti-microbial for intramuscular and intravenous administration,	Y	N
10.	anti-convulsant,	Y	N
11.	diuretic,	Y	N
12.	emetic and anti-emetic,	Y	N
13.	replacement fluids for intravenous administration,	Y	N
14.	if narcotics are used, a narcotic reversal agent.	Y	N

5.6 Does the member dispense Ketamine?

**(EITHER YES OR NO)** Y N**IF YES:**Is there a "**Ketamine Register**" where all dispensed Ketamine is recorded?

N/A Y N

Does the **Ketamine Register** contain the following information:

5.6.1.	the date of dispensing,	N/A	Y	N
5.6.2.	the name and address of the owner of the animal or animals for which the drug was dispensed,	N/A	Y	N
5.6.3.	the name, strength and quantity of the drug dispensed, and	N/A	Y	N
5.6.4.	the quantity of the drug remaining after dispensing.	N/A	Y	N

5.7 Does the member dispense targeted drugs?

**(EITHER YES OR NO)** Y N**IF YES:**Is there a "**Targeted Drug Register**" where all targeted drugs are recorded?

N/A Y N

Does the **Targeted Drug Register** contain the following information:

5.7.1.	the date of dispensing,	N/A	Y	N
5.7.2.	the name and address of the owner of the animal or animals for which the drug was dispensed,	N/A	Y	N
5.7.3.	the name, strength and quantity of the drug dispensed, and	N/A	Y	N
5.7.4.	the quantity of the drug remaining after dispensing.	N/A	Y	N

**6.0 LABORATORY**

6.1 The facility contains,

1.	microscope, microscope slides and cover slips,	Y	N
2.	centrifuge and centrifuge tubes,	Y	N
3.	microhematocrit centrifuge, microhematocrit capillary tubes and tube sealant,	Y	N
4.	refractometer,	Y	N
5.	urinalysis test strip or tablet reagents or both,	Y	N
6.	staining solutions and chemicals for blood, urine and cytology exams,	Y	N
7.	forms for recording laboratory test results.	Y	N

**6.0 LABORATORY (continued)****6.1.N The centrifuges required by Items 6.1.2 and 6.1.3 may be the same if the machine is suitable for both types of functions.**

6.2 The following investigation procedures can be performed within the facility or there is evidence of an arrangement under which the members practicing in the facility can obtain such procedures from a diagnostic laboratory during the night. (In Standards 6.2 and 6.3 "night" means the times during which a member is required to be actually on duty and available for service as defined in the relevant portions of the regulations):

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|----|---------------|---|---|
| 1. | hematology.   | Y | N |
| 2. | biochemistry. | Y | N |

6.3 The following investigation procedures can be performed within the facility or there is evidence of an arrangement that such procedures are performed by a diagnostic laboratory during the night or there is a suitable combination for the performance of such procedures:

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| 1. | immunology     | Y | N |
| 2. | cytology       | Y | N |
| 3. | microbiology   | Y | N |
| 4. | histopathology | Y | N |
| 5. | parasitology   | Y | N |

6.4 Electrocardiography can be performed within the facility. Y N

**7.0 RADIOLOGY**

7.1 The facility contains a diagnostic x-ray machine. Y N

7.2 The facility contains:

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| 1. | Protective equipment that includes:   |   |   |
| 1. | a collimator or cone,   | Y | N |
| 2. | two or more protective aprons each of at least 0.5 lead equivalent that is long enough to cover an operator from the neck to below the knees, | Y | N |
| 3. | gloves of at least 0.5 lead equivalent with cuffs,  | Y | N |
| 4. | individual monitoring badges obtained from Health and Welfare Canada, that are worn by all people regularly involved in radiology procedures, | Y | N |
| 5. | at least two thyroid protectors.  | Y | N |
| 2. | Radiographs all of which are permanently identified with:   |   |   |
| 1. | the name of the veterinarian or the designation of the facility or both,  | Y | N |
| 2. | identification of the animal,   | Y | N |
| 3. | the date of the radiograph,   | Y | N |
| 4. | an indication of the left or right side of the animal,  | Y | N |
| 5. | an indication of time for sequential radiographic studies.  | Y | N |
| 3. | A radiographic log in which is entered:   |   |   |
| 1. | the date each radiograph is taken,.   | Y | N |
| 2. | identification of the animal and of the client,   | Y | N |

**7.0 RADIOLOGY (continued)**

## 7.2.3

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| 3.  | the area of the body exposed to the radiograph.   | Y | N |
| 4.  | at least 2 film cassettes (holders).  | Y | N |
| 5.  | fresh, unexposed x-ray film that is properly stored.  | Y | N |
| 6.  | a machine that automatically develops radiographs; OR<br>alternatively, a dark room that contains:  |   |   |
| 1.  | a tank or tray containing fresh chemicals for developing<br>and fixing exposed film,  | Y | N |
| 2.  | a tank or tray containing fresh water for washing film,   | Y | N |
| 3.  | a tank thermometer,   | Y | N |
| 4.  | a safety light,   | Y | N |
| 5.  | film hangers.   | Y | N |
| 7.  | a radiographic viewer.  | Y | N |
| 8.  | material for positive contrast gastrointestinal radiography.  | Y | N |
| 9.  | calipers or a measuring tape to measure body thickness.   | Y | N |
| 10. | technique charts, one calibrated for each diagnostic x-ray<br>machine, that indicates the MAS, kV and focal distance for<br>specific body areas and thickness'. | Y | N |

- 7.3 For each x-ray source in the facility, an application in accordance with Sections 6 or 7 of Ontario Regulation 861/90, made under the Occupational Health and Safety Act, has been reviewed and accepted by an inspector under that Act.
- Y N

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- 7.4 Radiographs not stored with the clinical record for the animal are stored collectively and maintained in a systematic manner and, in either case, are retained for a period of at least 5 years or the radiographs are transferred to the client's regular veterinarian for retention for a period of at least five years.
- Y N

- 7.5 The radiographs are of diagnostic quality.
- Y N

**8.0 TREATMENT AREA**

- 8.1 The facility contains:

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|----|---|---|---|
| 1. | one or more treatment areas which can be used for preparing animals for major surgery, performing minor surgery, performing dentistry, and providing medical treatment. | Y | N |
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**8.1.N The treatment area is separate from the operating room, but may be part of the examination room.**

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| 2. | Each treatment area contains:   |   |   |
| 1. | a table large enough for treatment of an animal, with a readily sanitized fluid-impervious surface. | Y | N |
| 2. | a drained sink with hot and cold running water.   | Y | N |

**8.0 TREATMENT AREA (continued)**

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| 8.2 | Each such area is large enough to accommodate readily a veterinarian, an animal, any necessary (and at least one) assistant and the required equipment. | Y | N |
| 8.3 | The treatment area contains or has readily available:   |   |   |
|     | 1. electric hair clippers and a fine surgical blade or a razor for hair removal.  | Y | N |
|     | 2. vacuum cleaner.  | Y | N |
|     | 3. preparations for cleansing skin and other tissue prior to surgery, including a skin cleaning solvent and an antiseptic skin preparation solution.    | Y | N |
|     | 4. a tray or container of fresh cold sterilization solution <b>OR</b> sterilized packs containing at least one of each of:                              |   |   |
|     | 1. scalpel handles (not required if sterile disposable scalpels are used).  | Y | N |
|     | 2. scissors.  | Y | N |
|     | 3. suture needles.  | Y | N |
|     | 4. needle drivers.  | Y | N |
|     | 5. thumb forceps.   | Y | N |
|     | 6. hemostatic forceps.  | Y | N |
|     | 5. sterile gauze sponges.   | Y | N |
|     | 6. absorbable and non-absorbable sterile suture material.   | Y | N |
|     | 7. dental scaling instruments or devices.   | Y | N |
|     | 8. elevators.   | Y | N |
|     | 9. tooth extractors.  | Y | N |
|     | 10. sterile intravenous catheters and administration sets.  | Y | N |
|     | 11. sterile urinary catheters.  | Y | N |
|     | 12. intravenous stand or equivalent.  | Y | N |
|     | 13. drainage tubes, irrigation solutions and irrigation application supplies.   | Y | N |
|     | 14. sterile needles and syringes.   | Y | N |
|     | 15. cotton, gauze, bandages tapes and splints.  | Y | N |
|     | 16. stomach tubes appropriate to the esophageal sizes of reasonably expected animals.   | Y | N |
|     | 17. sterile scalpel blades.   | Y | N |

**9.0 ANESTHESIA**

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| 9.1 | The facility contains an area for the administration of general anesthesia (can be the same area as the treatment area).              | Y | N |
| 9.2 | The anesthesia area contains or has readily available within the facility:  |   |   |
|     | 1. pre-anesthetic agents.   | Y | N |
|     | 2. induction anesthetic agents for intravenous administration.  | Y | N |
|     | 3. cuffed endotracheal tubes and tube adaptors appropriate to the tracheal sizes of reasonably expected animals.                      | Y | N |
|     | 4. antiseptic agent for venipuncture preparation.   | Y | N |
|     | 5. sterilized needles and syringes.   | Y | N |
|     | 6. a machine for the administration of gaseous anesthesia that includes a canister containing a fresh agent to absorb carbon dioxide. | Y | N |

**9.0 ANESTHESIA (continued)**

## 9.2

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| 7.  | gaseous agent for the induction and maintenance of general anesthesia.   | Y | N |
| 8.  | a cylinder of compressed medical oxygen that is securely fastened.   | Y | N |
| 9.  | a gas scavenging system that complies with the requirements of the <u>Occupational Health and Safety Act</u> . | Y | N |
| 10. | a bag device for monitoring respiration or an electronic respiratory monitor.                                  | Y | N |
| 11. | a stethoscope.   | Y | N |
| 12. | an esophageal stethoscope for cardiac monitoring or an electro-cardiograph machine.                            | Y | N |
| 13. | a blanket or towel to retain an animal's body heat.  | Y | N |

9.3 The facility contains an anesthetic log, either alone or in combination with the surgical log, in which is entered in respect of each induction of general anesthesia in the facility:

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|----|---|---|---|
| 1. | the date of induction.  | Y | N |
| 2. | the name of the client.   | Y | N |
| 3. | the breed, age, sex, weight and identity of the anesthetized animal.  | Y | N |
| 4. | the pre-anesthetic condition of the animal, i.e., whether the animal was healthy; indicated a mild disease; indicated an existing disease with mild systemic reaction; or indicated acute or severe systemic disease.                               | Y | N |
| 5. | the name, dose and route of administration of any pre-anesthetic agents.  | Y | N |
| 6. | the name, dose and route of administration of anesthetic agents.  | Y | N |
| 7. | the nature of the procedures performed under the anesthetic.  | Y | N |
| 8. | the post-anesthetic condition of the animal, i.e., whether the animal recovered normally; demonstrated vocalization, excitement or paddling; demonstrated extreme vocalization, convulsions/vomiting; suffered cardiac/respiratory arrest; or died. | Y | N |

**10.0 OPERATING ROOM**

10.1 The facility contains a completely enclosed room used solely for the performance of major surgical procedures under sterile conditions. Y N

10.2 The operating room:

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| 1. | is large enough to accommodate readily a veterinarian, an animal, any necessary (and at least one) assistant and the required equipment. | Y | N |
| 2. | has walls, floor and doors of solid, fluid-impervious material that can be readily sanitized.  | Y | N |

10.3 The operating room contains:

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| 1. | a surgical table with a readily sanitized, fluid-impervious surface.                                | Y | N |
| 2. | an insulating pad to reduce heat loss from the animal's body to the surface of the operating table. | Y | N |
| 3. | at least one adjustable surgical lamp.  | Y | N |
| 4. | absorbable and non-absorbable sterile suture material.  | Y | N |

**10.0 OPERATING ROOM (continued)**

10.3	5.	instruments, gowns, towels, drapes, gloves, gauze sponges, needles and scalpel blades, which are sterilized.	Y	N
	6.	an instrument table or tray with a readily sanitized surface.	Y	N
	7.	a garbage disposal container with a readily sanitized, fluid-impervious interior or a disposable fluid-impervious liner.	Y	N
	8.	a catheter, delivery system and fluid for the intravenous administration of parenteral fluids.	Y	N
	9.	all items sterilized in the facility display the date of sterilization and the name or initials of the person who carried out the sterilization.	Y	N
	10.	The following sterilized instruments are available:		
	1.	scissors.	Y	N
	2.	2 thumb forceps.	Y	N
	3.	4 towel clamps.	Y	N
	4.	scalpel handle (not required if disposable sterile scalpels used).	Y	N
	5.	4 hemostatic forceps.	Y	N
	6.	needle driver.	Y	N
	11.	All packs contain an internal sterility monitor.	Y	N
10.4		The operating room does <b>NOT</b> contain a wet sink.	Y	N
		<b>10.4.N Standard 10.4 does not apply to a facility that had been accredited as a companion animal emergency clinic before January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1990, and, after that date, continues as an accredited companion animal emergency clinic without interruption and is not enlarged or extended.</b>		
10.5		The facility contains a surgical log, either alone or in combination with the anesthetic log, in which is entered in respect of each major surgical procedure performed in the facility:		
	1.	The date of each procedure.	Y	N
	2.	The name of the client.	Y	N
	3.	The breed, age, sex, weight and identity of the animal upon which the procedure is performed.	Y	N
	4.	The name of the surgeon.	Y	N
	5.	The nature of each procedure.	Y	N
	6.	The animal's pre-operative condition, i.e., whether the animal was healthy; indicated mild disease; indicated an existing disease with mild systemic reaction; or indicated acute or severe systemic disease.	Y	N
	7.	The animal's post-operative condition, i.e., whether the animal demonstrated an unremarkable condition and status during the post-surgical period; required post-surgical care; or died during or shortly after surgery.	Y	N
	8.	The length of time taken to perform the procedure.	Y	N
10.6		The facility contains, outside the operating room, a steam sterilizer of sufficient size to sterilize the quantity of surgical packs necessary for the reasonably expected caseload. (A gas sterilizer may be present but it is not a substitute for the steam sterilizer).	Y	N

**11.0 CONFINEMENT**

- 11.1 There are one or more areas for:
1. The confinement of animals in compartments. Y N
  2. The exercise and holding of animals in at least one run. Y N
- 11.2 The facility contains enough compartments and runs to accommodate the reasonably expected number of confined animals. Y N
- 11.2.N If the facility is restricted to cats, the facility need not contain a run.**
- 11.3 Each confinement area:
1. is constructed of readily sanitized, fluid-impervious material, Y N
  2. is well lit, Y N
  3. has adequate air circulation in it, Y N
  4. is covered by a roof or ceiling of solid and fluid-impervious material. (If there are indoor runs, then each outdoor run, if present, need not comply with 11.3.4). Y N
- 11.4 The compartments are large enough to accommodate comfortably animals of the reasonably expected sizes. Y N
- 11.5 Each compartment:
1. allows adequate amounts of air to circulate within it. Y N
  2. is secure and solidly constructed. Y N
  3. Permits easy observation of the animal. Y N
  4. has 5 sides constructed of a solid, readily sanitized, fluid-impervious material; or, has a bottom and three sides constructed of solid, readily sanitized, fluid-impervious material and a top constructed to prevent escape and animal to animal contact. The top, if not solid, must be kept clear of material at all times. Y N
  5. has a door effective to prevent the contained animal from escape. Y N
- 11.6 The facility contains:
1. equipment and materials for minor grooming of animals, including a sink or tub, dryer and brushes. Y N
  2. equipment/materials for applying disinfectants to compartments. Y N
  3. material for clean, dry bedding. Y N
  4. blankets or towels for the prevention of heat loss. Y N
  5. equipment and materials for identifying animals and their compartments. Y N
  6. cat litter and litter trays if cats are expected for treatment. Y N
  7. containers for waste from confinement areas. Y N
- 11.7 For the purposes of feeding confined animals, the facility contains:
1. a dry area for the storage of food. Y N
  2. containers and utensils for feeding and watering animals that are made of readily sanitized material or are disposable. Y N

**11.0 CONFINEMENT (continued)**

- 11.8 The food storage area contains sufficient quantity and variety of food to feed nutritiously the reasonably expected number and variety of confined animals. Y N
- 11.9 Each run:
1. is at least 2.5 feet (or 0.75 metres) wide, 5.0 feet (or 1.5 metres) high and 15 square feet (or 1.35 square metres) in area. Y N
  2. is constructed so liquid from one run is not accessible to an animal in another run. Y N
  3. has a door which does not open onto another run. Y N
  4. is well constructed and secure. Y N
  5. is well ventilated. Y N
  6. is maintained in a clean, dry and sanitary manner. Y N
- 11.10 Partitions between runs are at least 5.0 feet (1.5 metres) high and are solid from the floor up to a height of at least 4.0 feet (1.2 metres) to prevent nose to nose contact between animals in adjacent runs. Y N
- 11.11 If no indoor run is provided, then the outdoor run or runs must provide adequate protection from the elements. Y N

**12.0 NECROPSY**

- 12.1 Unless records kept at the facility demonstrate a regular pattern of transfers for necropsy to another member, the facility contains an area that can be used for the performance of necropsy. Y N
- 12.2 The necropsy area contains or has readily available at least one of each of the following:
1. knives. Y N
  2. scalpels. Y N
  3. scissors. Y N
  4. bone cutters or saws. Y N
  5. forceps. Y N

**13.0 HOUSEKEEPING**

- 13.1 The facility contains a puncture-proof container into which needles, scalpel blades and other things capable of penetrating skin are discarded. Y N
- 13.2 The entire facility is clean, uncluttered, in good repair and free of offensive odours. Hallways, the reception area and the area around the building are free of impediments and obstructions. Y N
- 13.3 The floors and walls throughout the entire facility are readily sanitized. Y N
- 13.4 Carcasses are disposed of within 24 hours unless frozen. Y N

**13.0 HOUSEKEEPING (continued)**

13.5 The facility contains, outside the operating room, an adequate supply of clean linens, stored to minimize contamination from surface contact or airborne sources, including:

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| 1. | towels.  | Y | N |
| 2. | smocks, lab coats, aprons or some combination of them. | Y | N |
| 3. | masks and caps.  | Y | N |

**14.0 SAFETY**

14.1 Clear written instructions for the evacuation of animals and staff from the facility in case of fire or other emergency are posted prominently. Y N

14.2 There is a source of emergency lighting in the facility, e.g., large flashlight. Y N

14.3 Emergency telephone numbers for police, fire department, hospital and poison-control centre are posted. Y N

14.4 Doors and windows are self-closing or otherwise secured to prevent the escape or theft of animals and the theft of drugs. Y N

14.5 There is adequate exterior illumination of entrances, walkways and parking areas. Y N

14.6 The facility contains at least one readily accessible all-purpose fire extinguisher. Y N

14.N. The facility is expected to comply with the current local municipal fire code.

**15.0 REGULATION 1093**

“Every member practising in or from a facility .... shall ensure that the Certificate of Accreditation is displayed conspicuously in the facility so that clients can read it easily. O.REG. 140/90,s. 13.”

*Refer to REGULATION 1093, Revised Regulations of Ontario, as amended under Veterinarians Act.*

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