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<http://canadianveterinarians.net/about-programs-structure-examining.aspx>



Obtain NEB Candidate Application Kit - \$15.00



Submit completed application and required documents to NEB with fee - \$446.25 (including 5% GST)



Applicants whose first language is neither English nor French must submit evidence of language proficiency in English or French. Internet-based Test of English as a Foreign Language (iB-TOEFL), International English Language Testing System (IELTS), Canadian Academic English Language (CAEL) Assessment or the Exam of French of the Government of Québec (a set of minimum scores is required in each case). For applicants whose native language is English or French, the language exams may be waived: the applicant must provide documentation of at least 3 years full-time attendance at a secondary school at which the complete language of instruction was English or French.



Pass the Basic & Clinical Sciences Exam (BCSE - 225 MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS)  
- offered 4 times per year - \$151.20 (including 5% GST) each attempt

Note: Accredited school grads are not required to take BCSE



Pass the North American Veterinary Licensing Exam (NAVLE - 360 MULTIPLE CHOICE)

- offered 2 times per year – \$876.75 (including 5% GST) each attempt
- may appear for NAVLE up to 5 times (should a provincial/state board have a different policy/regulation, the latter will prevail)
- candidate must wait one year between third and fourth, and fourth and fifth attempts

Note: Accredited school grads who fail NAVLE twice must take and pass CPE.



**Optional (not part of NEB process)**

In Ontario a bridging program is available after passing BCSE, followed by a restricted licence to work under supervision for up to 25 months. [www.vstepontario.org](http://www.vstepontario.org)

After passing both the BCSE and the NAVLE, additional clinical experience may be obtained by working under supervision as a restricted member in Alberta, Saskatchewan or Manitoba.



Take the Clinical Proficiency Examination (CPE) at one of 4 venues available at veterinary schools in Canada or at sites overseen by the ECFVG in the USA.

- \$6,825 (including 5% GST) each attempt at entire CPE
- if fail one to three sections, must pass within 12 months; \$1,260 to retake each section
- currently, there is a waiting period of at least 24 months on average in Canada
- may be taken after passing the BCSE or the NAVLE



**Receive Certificate of Qualification  
- currently Canada's Gold Standard**