

Meeting the Accreditation Standards

Meeting the Accreditation Standards for Veterinary Facilities in Ontario tells the public a veterinary facility provides a safe, trustworthy environment for the delivery of animal care. They also guide veterinary teams to maintain professional standards, which fosters public confidence.

Standards for your scope of services

There are two categories:

1

Essential Standards

Apply to all facilities such as medical records, infection control, and biosecurity.

2

Additional Scope of Practice Services

Apply to your facility based on the services offered, such as radiology, surgery, anesthesia, or mobile.

Your responsibility to meet standards

The Facility Director ensures the facility complies with the accreditation standards.



✓ Review

Facility Directors review the requirements they must meet in the facility accreditation standards.



✓ Determine

Facility Directors determine the appropriateness of the processes or equipment they have in place to meet the requirement.



✓ Demonstrate

Facility Directors demonstrate how they meet these facility accreditation standards.

Receiving a Certificate of Accreditation



Meeting all the standards earns a five-year term for the Certificate.



Any areas of non-compliance are identified and the facility director has 30 days to meet the standards.

Failure to comply within 30 days may lead to a referral to the Accreditation Committee. The Committee may impose a shorter renewal term or conditions/limitations on the Certificate of Accreditation.

Questions? Contact the Accreditation team at accreditation@cvo.org or 1-800-424-2856