

VETERINARY BOARD OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

Application for Registration under *Mutual Recognition Act*

This information sheet is to assist you in applying for Registration under the *Mutual Recognition Act*.

Under the Mutual Recognition principle, an individual who is registered as a veterinarian in one State or Territory of Australia may apply for automatic registration to carry on the occupation in another State or Territory.

(NB: If you are not currently registered in another State/Territory in Australia, you will need to lodge an application apply for registration under the Northern Territory *Veterinarians Act*.)

You must select whether you require Primary Registration (to undertake majority practice in the Northern Territory) or Secondary Registration (to undertake locum/periodic practice in the Northern Territory).

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. A **completed Application Form** (which is in the form of a notice lodged under section 19 of the *Mutual Recognition Act* and **verified by a statutory declaration** that must be signed and witnessed).
2. A **certified copy** of a document evidencing your **current** registration to practise as a veterinarian in another State/Territory **must accompany the form**.

COST

3. **The cost of the application is \$172.00 AUD for Primary Registration** (ie registration to undertake majority practice in the Northern Territory). Note: There is no fee for Secondary Registration, but registration is still required to undertake locum/periodic practice or in the Northern Territory. Registration Fees are not subject to GST.
4. Please make cheques payable to the Receiver of Territory Monies (RTM).

DEEMED REGISTRATION

5. Your details will be checked and verified. Registration must be approved or refused within one month of your notice being lodged. However, you will have "deemed registration" (and be entitled to practise) until actual (or substantive registration under NT law) is confirmed or refused.

CONDITIONS

6. Your registration may be postponed or refused if you:

- provide information which is materially false or misleading;
- fail to provide information required; or
- your circumstances have materially changed since you lodged the notice.

7. If your registration as a veterinarian in any State is cancelled or suspended, or becomes subject to a condition on disciplinary grounds, or on grounds relating to civil or criminal proceedings, then your registration in the Northern Territory is affected the same way.
8. **Once you become registered** as a veterinarian in the Northern Territory under the *Mutual Recognition Act*, **your registration is subject to local laws** (including the Northern Territory *Veterinarians Act*, *Regulations* and Code of Conduct and all Northern Territory laws impacting on the provision of veterinary services).

FORWARDING YOUR APPLICATION

9. **Please forward the completed application form**, together with the document mentioned in paragraph (2) above and a cheque or a credit card payment authorisation form for payment of the fee of \$172.00 AUD to:
The Registrar
Veterinary Board of the Northern Territory
GPO Box 3000
DARWIN NT 0801
or Email: vetboard@nt.gov.au
or Facsimile: 08 89992089

ANNUAL FEES

10. All registrations are subject to renewal each calendar year. **The annual fee for primary registration is \$115, which is due and payable by 1 January each year.** The penalty for non-payment is cancellation of registration. Renewal notices are sent to all registered veterinarians in October each year to the last known address listed in the Register. There is no annual fee applied to secondary registration.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

11. Under Section 22 of the *Veterinarians Act*, **you are required to notify the Board of any change of address.**

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA
Oaths, Affidavits and Declarations Act
STATUTORY DECLARATION

I, _____
(Name in Full)

of _____
(address)

in relation to this application for registration, **do solemnly and sincerely declare that:**

- (a) The statements and information in this notice are true and correct in every particular to the best of my knowledge and belief.
- (b) I am not the subject of disciplinary proceedings in any State or Territory (including any preliminary investigations or action that might lead to disciplinary proceedings) in relation to my registration as a veterinarian.
- (c) My registration in any State or Territory is not cancelled or currently suspended as a result of disciplinary action.
- (d) I am not otherwise personally prohibited from working as a veterinarian in any State or Territory, and I am not subject to any special conditions in working as a veterinarian as a result of criminal, civil or disciplinary proceedings in any State or Territory.
- (e) **I consent to the making of inquiries of, and the exchange of information with, the authorities of any State or Territory regarding my activities as a veterinarian, and in other matters relevant to this application.**

I make this solemn declaration by virtue of the Northern Territory *Oaths, Affidavits and Declarations Act* and I understand that it is an offence to make a statutory declaration that is false in any material particular.

Declared at _____ Place and State/Territory

on the _____ day of _____ 20____

Signature of person making declaration _____

Before me _____
(Signature of person before whom the declaration is made)

(Name and contact address or telephone number before whom the declaration is made, legibly written, typed or stamped)

This Declaration may be made before any person who has attained the age of (18) eighteen years. Under section 119 of the Northern Territory *Criminal Code*, a person who willfully makes a false statement in a statutory declaration is guilty of a crime and is liable to imprisonment for 3 years.

PRIVACY AND USE OF INFORMATION

The Veterinary Board of the Northern Territory, under the *Veterinarians Act* and the principles of mutual recognition legislation, collects the information on this form, or otherwise provided by you, to process your application for registration. Failure to provide the information in full or in part may result in your application for registration being refused. Some of the personal information provided by you will be made publicly available through the internet, as part of a Public Register published on the Veterinary Board website. The fields of information published are limited to Registration Number, Name, Date of First Registration, Veterinary Qualifications, Area/Field of Practice, Category of Registration (ie Primary for majority practice in the NT or Secondary for locum/periodic practice in the NT), Professional/Practice Address, and Telephone Contact Number (with the veterinarian's consent). Any personal information provided can be subsequently accessed by you on request. Registered veterinarians are encouraged to check the accuracy and currency of the details listed in their entries in the Public Register on the Veterinary Board website and to advise the Board of any changes required.

The link is: <http://www.nt.gov.au/d/vetboardnt/applications/register/>

For office use only:

APPLICATION APPROVED / POSTPONED / REFUSED

PRESIDENT _____ **DATE** _____

REGISTRATION NUMBER ALLOCATED _____