

**ADOPTED REGULATION OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF
VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 638.070; §2, NRS 638.070 and 638.128.

Section 1. NAC 638.037 is hereby amended to read as follows:

638.037 1. Each licensed veterinarian shall maintain in this state for at least 4 years a written record of each animal receiving veterinary services, including , *without limitation*, an examination conducted pursuant to NAC 638.610, from him or under his supervision. The records must be available for inspection by the owner of the animal during normal business hours at least 5 days each week. The licensed veterinarian shall provide a copy of that record to the owner of the animal receiving veterinary services not later than 48 hours after he receives a request from the owner of the animal.

2. The written record must contain the following information, in legible form:

- (a) The name, address and [*phone*] *telephone* number of the animal's owner;
- (b) The name [*and identity*] *or identifying number, or both*, of the animal;
- (c) The age, sex and breed of the animal;
- (d) The dates of care, custody or treatment of the animal;
- (e) A short history of the animal's condition as it pertains to the animal's medical status;

(f) The diagnosis or condition at the beginning of custody of the animal, including , *without limitation*, results of tests;

(g) The surgery log, including , *without limitation*, anesthesia and preanesthesia, and the procedure performed;

(h) Any medication and treatment administered, including , *without limitation*, amount and frequency;

(i) The progress and disposition of the case; and

(j) Any X-rays. *Each X-ray must be labeled in the emulsion film as follows:*

(1) The name of the veterinarian or facility that took the X-ray;

(2) The name or identifying number, or both, of the animal;

(3) The name of the animal's owner;

(4) The date on which the X-ray was taken; and

(5) The anatomical orientation depicted by the X-ray.

3. Each X-ray is the property of the veterinarian who caused it to be prepared. An X-ray must be released upon the written request of another veterinarian who has the authorization of the owner of the animal to which it pertains. The X-ray must be returned within a reasonable time to the veterinarian to whom it belongs.

4. In a practice concerned with herds of animals, records must be kept on each herd and may be kept on individual animals.

5. If a veterinarian ceases his practice without providing for the continuation of treatment of the animals under his care, the president of the board may appoint a master to supervise his

records, the treatment of those animals and the mailing of notices to the owners of the animals which had been under his care.

Sec. 2. NAC 638.044 is hereby amended to read as follows:

638.044 [1. A licensed veterinarian who wishes to have his license placed on inactive status must submit to the executive director of the board an application for inactive status and a fee of \$130. The application must be notarized.

2.] A licensed veterinarian may renew his inactive license annually by submitting to the executive director of the board:

[(a) 1. An application for renewal [;

(b)] *of inactive status; and*

2. A fee of \$130 . [; and

(c) If licensed in any other state, a letter of good standing from the licensing agency of each state in which he is so licensed. Each letter must, if applicable, include detailed information concerning any disciplinary action that has been taken against the licensee or that is pending in that state.]