

Vet Tech FAQ's

How can I become a certified veterinary technician in Minnesota?

To become a certified veterinary technician in Minnesota you must:

1. Graduate from an AVMA accredited Veterinary Technician Program & provide proof of your graduation, diploma or official transcripts
2. Pass the VTNE (Veterinary Technician National Exam)
3. Apply for certification and pay the application fee of \$50.00

I have previously passed the VTNE but failed the State exam, can I become certified?

If you have passed the VTNE together with meeting the above certification requirements you would be eligible for certification in Minnesota.

What if I haven't heard from the AAVSB regarding my VTNE results?

Contact AAVSB at (vettech@aavsb.org) if you do not receive your report after 8 weeks from when you took the exam. They will be able to tell you when the results were sent or will be sent. Please don't contact the MVMA as we do not have this information.

How can I transfer my certification from another State?

You can transfer your certification or license to Minnesota by completing the application and sending it to the MVMA along with the application fee and a copy of your diploma or official transcripts from your school. Have your current state send us a verification letter showing that you are a certified or licensed veterinary technician in good standing.

How often does a veterinary technician need to recertify?

A veterinary technician must recertify every 2 years in Minnesota. You will receive notification in the spring of the year that you need to recertify along with a CE report form. You will need to return the completed form along with copies of your proof of CE and the recertification fee by June 30 of that year. Remember, it is your responsibility to recertify, if for some reason you don't receive the recertification notification mailing it is up to you to call the MVMA to inquire about it. Make sure you keep your contact information current with the MVMA in order to receive information and notices.

My certification has lapsed by a number of years, how can I recertify?

In order to recertify after your certification has lapsed you will either need to pay the recertification fee, including late fee, and turn in your CE credits, including late credits, for each 2 year period that you are behind or, if you are significantly behind, you will be allowed to retake and pass the VTNE to become recertified.