

WAC 246-933-420 Continuing education requirement. (1) A licensed veterinarian shall complete and document thirty hours of continuing education every two years and comply with chapter 246-12 WAC, Part 7.

(2) A licensed veterinarian shall meet the continuing education requirement by either:

(a) Completing thirty hours of education that comply with WAC 246-933-401 through 246-933-460; or

(b) Alternatively, providing proof that he or she:

(i) Became board-certified by a veterinary specialty organization recognized by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) within the continuing education reporting period; or

(ii) Has been enrolled in a residency program approved by a veterinary specialty organization recognized by the AVMA during the entire continuing education reporting period for a maximum of two reporting periods.

(3) The two-year reporting period begins January 1, 2019. A veterinarian shall complete the continuing education requirements as follows:

If continuing education is due on the veterinarian's renewal date in:	The next continuing education due date is on the veterinarian's renewal date in the year below and every two years thereafter:
2019	2021
2020	2022
2021	2023

(4) The board may audit up to twenty-five percent of veterinarians after the license is renewed and may audit a veterinarian for cause.

(a) Upon request by the board, the veterinarian is responsible for submitting documentation of completed continuing education. Documentation must include, at a minimum:

(i) The name and credentials or qualifications of the continuing education provider;

(ii) The date of attendance or completion;

(iii) Course title or subject; and

(iv) The number of hours earned.

(b) Documentation for continuing education earned pursuant to WAC 246-933-445 (2)(b) must include, in addition to (a)(i) through (iv) of this subsection, a list of attendees, and materials that sufficiently describe the content of the presentation.

(c) Failure by a veterinarian to cooperate with an audit or provide the requested proof of continuing education to the board is grounds for disciplinary action.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.92.030. WSR 19-02-033, § 246-933-420, filed 12/21/18, effective 1/21/19; WSR 07-19-130, § 246-933-420, filed 9/19/07, effective 10/20/07. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.70.280. WSR 98-05-060, § 246-933-420, filed 2/13/98, effective 3/16/98. Statutory Authority: RCW 18.92.030. WSR 91-24-098 (Order 221B), § 246-933-420, filed 12/4/91, effective 1/4/92; WSR 91-02-060 (Order 108B), recodified as § 246-933-420, filed 12/28/90, effective 1/31/91; Order 233, § 308-154-020, filed 2/16/77.]