

Subtitle 3. State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners

§2-305.

- (a) In this section, “animal control facility” means a humane society, as defined in §10-601 of the Criminal Law Article, or a county or municipal designated animal shelter.
- (b) The Board, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Board, may issue a license to an animal control facility to allow the animal control facility to administer drugs needed to sedate, euthanize, or sedate and euthanize animals.
- (c)(1)(i) The owner of an animal control facility shall apply for the license.
- (ii) The Board shall issue a license in the name of the owner of an animal control facility.
- (2) The application shall designate one individual at the facility responsible for the drugs.
- (3) The annual license fee is \$100.
- (d) In accordance with procedures set out in §2-311 of this subtitle, the Board may:
 - (1) Reject an application for a license; or
 - (2) Suspend or revoke a license for failure to comply with the Board’s regulations.
- (e) An animal control facility licensed under this section shall comply with the Board’s requirements relating to employee training.
- (f) A member of the Board, or the Board’s designated inspector, may enter an animal control facility licensed under this section at any reasonable hour to enforce the Board’s regulations.
- (g) In consultation with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Board shall adopt regulations necessary to carry out this section.

§2-311.

- (a) Before any license is suspended or revoked, the Board shall give the licensee at least ten days written notice of the time and place of the hearing. Notice shall be given by certified mail, return receipt requested, bearing a postmark from the United States Postal Services, addressed to the post-office address shown on the annual registration or in other information the Board possesses.
- (b) A copy of the charges shall be furnished the licensee and he shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard personally and to be represented by counsel before the Board. The licensee shall have the opportunity to confront witnesses against him.
- (c) Every witness at the hearing shall testify under oath. The chairman or any member may administer the oath. The Board may compel the attendance of witnesses by subpoena.
- (d) The Board shall report its action in writing, stating the reasons for the action. A copy shall be delivered or mailed to the person against whom the complaint is made.

(e) The licensee may appeal to the circuit court of the county where the licensee has an office. The court shall hear and determine all matters connected with the action of the Board from which appeal is taken in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

(f) The licensee and the Board may appeal from the decision of the circuit court to the Court of Special Appeals, subject to the time and manner provided for the taking of an appeal to this Court.