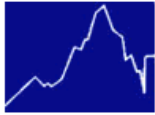


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Veterinary Establishment Inspection Requirements

Highlight of the Month

The Board of Veterinary Medicine conducted a frequency analysis of deficiencies cited during veterinary establishment inspections. To keep licensees informed about compliance requirements, the most commonly cited deficiencies will be identified in a monthly email during 2017. This month's highlighted requirement is the following:

Regulations Governing the Practice of Veterinary Medicine (link to http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/vet/vet_laws_regs.htm) state the following regarding expired drugs:

18VAC150-20-190. Requirements for drug storage, dispensing, destruction, and records for all establishments, full service and restricted 

F. The drug storage area shall have appropriate provision for temperature control for all drugs and biologics, including a refrigerator with the interior thermometer maintained between 36°F and 46°F. Drugs stored at room temperature shall be maintained between 59°F and 86°F. The stock of drugs shall be reviewed frequently and removed from the working stock of drugs at the expiration date.

Guidance Document **76-21.2:1 Veterinary Establishment Inspection Report** (link to http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/vet/vet_guidelines.htm) states the following regarding expired drugs found in 18VAC150-20-190(F):

The expiration date on all drugs, including prepackaged stock, should be regularly checked and drugs that are expired must be separated from working stock. A drug expires on the month, day and year listed on the container. If only a month and year are provided, drug expires on the last day of the month listed on container.

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