



AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND
COLLEGE OF VETERINARY SCIENTISTS

APPLICATIONS FOR MEDICINE OF CATS MEMBERSHIP BY VETERINARIANS WHO HAVE QUALIFICATIONS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR GENERAL REGISTRATION IN AUSTRALIA OR NEW ZEALAND

Individuals who have veterinary qualifications not eligible for general registration in Australia or New Zealand, but which are recognised in any other part of the world, may apply in writing to College Council to sit College Medicine of Cats Membership examinations and attain Membership of the College.

Application letters must be accompanied by:

- a. a current curriculum vitae; which includes a list of national and international professional conference attendance since graduation or during the last five years (if greater than five years have passed since graduation).
- b. a letter of support for the applicant from a veterinarian registered in Australia or New Zealand or a veterinarian who is a member of the International Society of Feline Medicine.
- c. a certified copy of the testamur of the applicant's veterinary degree (English translation) which allows him/her to register to practice in the country of origin.

In the case of applicants whose first language is not English, it is strongly recommended that the applicant's competency in reading, writing, speaking and listening to English be at a level at least equivalent to an IELTS (International English Language Testing System) score of 7.0 in all sections in the academic (not the general) module. Lack of competency in English cannot be used as a reason for appealing a Membership examination result.

Approval to sit Membership examinations is granted at the discretion of Council.

Successful applicants are notified within 7 days of the decision by Council.

Applicants are advised that passing the College Membership examinations and being granted Membership of the College does not entitle him or her to register to practice as a veterinarian in Australia or New Zealand.

Successful applicants for Membership in Medicine of Cats are expected to demonstrate a high level of interest and competence in Medicine of Cats. This is judged by that standard of knowledge and understanding, practical skills, attitude, methodology and communication which would make the person suitable to give professional advice to veterinary colleagues not similarly qualified on problems or procedures often encountered or used in general practice, in the relevant area of Medicine of Cats.

Applicants are advised that College Membership in Medicine of Cats is not a Specialist level qualification. Further training, publication and examinations towards Fellowship of the College make up the required pathway for potential specialist status.