

TYPES OF PRACTICE FACILITIES

SMALL ANIMAL HOSPITAL

Limited to examination, diagnostic and prophylactic services and medical and surgical treatment for small animals, including major surgery.

SMALL ANIMAL CLINIC

Limited to examination diagnostic and prophylactic services and medical and surgical treatment for small animals, and does not include major surgery.

SMALL ANIMAL MOBILE SERVICE

Limited to examination, diagnostic and prophylactic services and minor surgical procedures for small animals that require only local anesthesia, not general anesthesia or sedation, only if the equipment required in the standards for a small animal mobile service is available, and does not include radiology and major surgery.

A small animal mobile service may provide the same services as a small animal clinic if there is no small animal clinic or small animal hospital within an 80-km driving distance of the small animal mobile service or if approved by the Accreditation Committee.

A small animal mobile service must be conducted from a vehicle and must be operated from, and under the same ownership as, a small animal hospital.

SMALL ANIMAL HOUSE CALL SERVICE

Limited to the same services as a small animal mobile service if the standards for a small animal mobile service as set out in the by-laws are met.

Members of the Nova Scotia Veterinary Medical Association, whether as individuals or through an accredited facility, who advertise or publicly acknowledge that they provide house calls or a house call service for small animals, must have a facility and a mobile that are inspected as a Small Animal House Call Service and pay the fees associated with that inspection.

Small Animal House Call Services which are not owned by a Small Animal Hospital require a written agreement with a Small Animal Hospital to provide emergency care.

Vehicles used for the purposes of a Small Animal House Call Service must be inspected as a Small Animal House Call Service and all vehicles used in a business for House Call Services must be inspected.

LARGE ANIMAL HOSPITAL

Limited to examination, diagnostic and prophylactic services and medical and surgical treatment for large animals including major surgery.

LARGE ANIMAL CLINIC

Limited to the same services as a large animal hospital, if the standards for a large animal hospital as set out in the by-laws are met.

LARGE ANIMAL MOBILE SERVICE

Limited to the same services as a large animal hospital, if the standards for a large animal hospital as set out in the by-laws are met.

A large animal mobile service must be conducted from a vehicle and must be operated from, and under the same ownership as, a large animal hospital or large animal clinic.

EMERGENCY CLINIC

Limited to examination, diagnostic and prophylactic services and medical and surgical treatment for small animals, including major surgery.

An emergency clinic must be open only during hours that are outside the regular business hours of small animal hospitals or small animal clinics in the vicinity of the emergency clinic.

