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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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Chapter 07 Minimum Standards for Mobile Veterinary Clinics

Authority: Agriculture Article, §§2-304 and 2-304.1, Annotated Code of Maryland

.01 Scope.

This chapter applies to any veterinarian who operates a mobile veterinary clinic offering or providing veterinary services for companion animals.

.02 Definitions.

“Mobile veterinary clinic” means a mobile unit in which veterinary services are provided to animals that are treated inside the mobile unit.

.03 Sanitation.

To the extent practicable, a veterinarian who operates a mobile clinic shall comply with the sanitation practices outlined in COMAR 15.14.03.

.04 Care of Medicine.

A veterinarian who operates a mobile clinic shall provide for the refrigeration and proper care of medicine to be used at the mobile clinic.

.05 Care of Equipment.

A veterinarian who operates a mobile clinic shall provide for the proper care of equipment and the proper hygiene of employees. Proper hygiene includes the washing of hands and the sanitizing of examination tables.

.06 Licensing Requirements.

A. A mobile veterinary clinic may not offer or provide veterinary services unless it has a valid hospital license.

B. The owner of more than one mobile veterinary clinic shall obtain a hospital license for each mobile clinic.

C. The licensing fee for a mobile veterinary clinic shall be the same as that required for a veterinary hospital.

D. The licensing requirements set forth in COMAR 15.14.03.01-1 also apply to mobile clinics.

.07 Surgery.

Surgery may not be performed at a mobile clinic unless the minimum standards set forth in COMAR 15.14.03.04 are met.

.08 Oxygen Delivery.

A suitably equipped area shall include a positive pressure oxygen delivery system for small animal patients where medically indicated, regardless of whether surgery is performed in the mobile veterinary clinic.

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