

## **Change in Process (March 10, 2020.) - Applying to write the VTNE:**

Effective with the application and administration of the July/August 2020 Veterinary Technician National Exam (VTNE), the eligibility review process has changed. Candidates will now apply directly to the AAVSB to write the VTNE. Candidates no longer have to go through the EVTA, and furthermore, candidates will no longer need to submit the EVTA membership application before taking and passing the VTNE.

The AAVSB will review eligibility for all candidates taking the exam through Nova Scotia. Candidates will submit a VTNE online application, final transcript (not diploma) and payment per the application window and deadlines posted.

Graduation date must be on/or before:

**June 15** for July 15 – August 15 VTNE

**October 15** for November 15-December 15 VTNE

**February 15** for March 15-April 15 VTNE

The following information will be posted on the AAVSB website: <https://www.aavsb.org/vtne-overview/verify-your-eligibility>

1. The AAVSB reviews and determines VTNE eligibility for AVMA or CVMA accredited veterinary technology graduates.
  - o **To be eligible**, a final transcript (with graduation date and degree conferred) must be sent **directly** from the school to the AAVSB by the application deadline. Student copies are NOT accepted.
2. The AAVSB will review all accommodations requests per Canadian law. If you need accommodations, submit an Accommodations application and required documents by the application deadline.
3. The selected jurisdiction will automatically receive an official score report.

If candidates have any questions about the VTNE, they should be directed to email [vettech@aavsb.org](mailto:vettech@aavsb.org) so anyone on our team can assist.

After passing the VTNE, candidates will need to submit the required application, fees, documents to the Nova Scotia Veterinary Medical Association, to apply for an RVT license.

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