



## EDPA Pre-Certification Supervising Veterinarian Requirements

All applicants for EDPA Certification Testing must go through a pre-certification application process. The Applicant is required to submit 10 case studies with supervising veterinary forms for each, proof of education or apprenticeship, copies of all certificates and recommendation letters from 2 horse owners. Once the applicant has provided all necessary pre-certification items, a committee will review and either pass or fail the applicant. If the applicant passes pre-certification, he/she can sit for the EDPA Certification Written Test. Applicants must pass the written exam by 80% and then they are eligible to take the Practical Exam which involves the written evaluation and charting of 5 test skulls. Again, the applicant must pass the practical test by 80% in order to complete and pass EDPA Certification. This process is approved and accepted by both Texas and Oklahoma State Veterinary Boards.

The EDPA Pre-certification process basically serves as a practicum for equine dental providers to ensure equine dental knowledge, horse handling skills, safety, tool use and professionalism. It is imperative that the supervising veterinarian for each case study understands the significance of this process for Certification testing. Please review the Supervising Veterinary Form and be prepared to observe and evaluate the applicant on the areas specified. You may provide any additional comments or information necessary to evaluate the applicant.

The veterinarians play a crucial role in the equine dental provider profession. The EDPA supports and promotes this working relationship with the utmost respect for laws and welfare of horse and horse owners.

For more information or questions regarding the EDPA Certification or Pre-Certification process, please contact the Executive Secretary.

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**EDPA Pre- Certification Supervising Veterinarian Form**

Please print. All areas must be completed.

**Date:**

**Applicant Name:**

**Location:**

**Supervising Veterinarian:**

**Vet Phone Number:**

**Vet Email:**

**Horse/Case #:**

**Horse Owner:**

**Approach, Handling, Animal Sense**

Confident?  
Aggressive?  
Fearful?  
Agitated?  
Comfortable?

**YES**

**NO**

**Pre-Evaluating Animal's Condition**

Check or Ask for Vital Signs?  
Identify Proper Condition (Body Score)?  
Asked Horse's Activity level/use?

**Cleanliness and Preparadness**

Sterlize/clean tools?

**Safety**

Proper GFI for power tools?  
Proper use of head stand or head ring?  
Proper head postion while flushing?  
Proper eye protection, gloves and lighting source?  
Any Harm or Trauma Caused?

**Appropriate Tool Use**

Appropriate use of tools?  
Proper use of Speculum with adequate resting time?  
Proper tools necessary not supplied?

**Professionalism**

Conduct in barn with clients/agents/trainers?  
Communication of post care?

**Comments/Recommendations:**

**Supervising Veterinarian Signature:**

**Applicant Signature:**