**21 NCAC 66 .0904 DISCIPLINE VETERINARY FACILITY PERMITS**

(a) The Board shall investigate any complaint within its jurisdiction. The investigation and any resulting hearings shall be conducted pursuant to Sections .0600 and .0700 of the Chapter. Following an investigation and the owner's opportunity to be heard, the Board may:

(1) revoke or suspend a veterinary facility permit issued under this Chapter;

(2) discipline the owner of a facility permitted under this Chapter in accordance with the disciplinary measures set forth in Sections .0600 and .0700 of this Chapter;

(3) deny a veterinary facility permit required by G.S. 90-186(8) and the rules of this Chapter based on violations of Board Rules including, but not limited to, Rules .0207 and .0208 of this Chapter.

For the purpose of this Rule, references to licensee or registrant in the provisions of Sections .0600 and .0700 of this Chapter are treated as references to owner and permittee. References to license are treated as references to facility permit.

(b) The Board may suspend, revoke, or deny issuance of a veterinary facility permit, without hearing, for any of the following reasons:

(1) A veterinary facility has not had a supervising veterinarian or an interim supervising veterinarian serving in that capacity for more than 15 business days.

(2) The Board obtains a summary emergency order pursuant to the provisions of G.S. 90-186(3).

(3) The owners of the veterinary facility have failed to notify the Board after 10 business days of a change in ownership of the facility or change in the supervising veterinarian.

(c) An owner shall cease to operate a veterinary facility as of the date the Board notifies the owner of the revocation of his or her veterinary facility permit. Within 24 hours of receiving notification of revocation, an owner shall display the following information at the facility and through any existing medium of communication with the public, such as social media, a telephone answering system, or facility website:

(1) information that the veterinary facility is closed;

(2) the means by which clients may obtain their animal's medical records; and

(3) notice of the Board's revocation of the facility permit.

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