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1. Background:

The Language Proficiency Testing Regulation, M.R. 91/2024 (“the regulation”) was officially registered on September 27, 2024. This regulation dictates specific requirements that must be met when evaluating an applicant’s language proficiency.

The MVMA has historically relied on the national language proficiency standard set by the National Examining Board (NEB). The regulation prescribes that the MVMA accept language proficiency exams that are not currently accepted by the NEB.

This policy is created following the Centre for Canadian Language Benchmarks report for the College of Veterinarians of Ontario that was conducted for the veterinarian profession.

2. Purpose:

This policy is enacted to ensure that the MVMA complies with the regulation.

3. Policy Statement:

The MVMA seeks to establish additional testing pathways for applicants that are based on the best available information.

4. Procedure:

An applicant has up to two (2) years to submit language test results to the MVMA. Test results will then remain valid until the applicant receives a final registration decision from the MVMA.

The MVMA will accept the following language proficiency examinations and scores* in addition to all examinations accepted by the NEB:

Canadian English Language Proficiency Index Program (CELP) General Test	International English Language Testing System (IELTS) General Test	Test de connaissance du français (TCF Canada)
Writing- 9 Speaking- 9 Listening- 9 Reading- 9 Overall Score- 9	Writing- 8 Speaking- 7 Listening- 7 Reading- 7	Compréhension écrite (reading) – 524 points Compréhension orale (listening) – 523 points Expression écrite (writing) – 14 points Expression orale (speaking) – 14 points

Test d'évaluation de français (TEF Canada) October 1, 2019- December 10, 2023	Test d'évaluation de français (TEF Canada) After December 10, 2023
Compréhension écrite (reading) - 533/699 points Compréhension orale (listening) - 533/699 points Expression écrite (writing) - 533/699 points Expression orale (speaking) - 533/699 points	Compréhension écrite (reading) – 503/699 points Compréhension orale (listening) - 503/699 points Expression écrite (writing) - 512/699 points Expression orale (speaking) - 518/699 points

*If the organization of institution that developed the accepted language test has a policy that permits combined test results, the MVMA will accept the combined test results in accordance with the requirements of the policy.