

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE
VETERINARY SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this _____ day of _____, _____, by and between the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services (APHIS), Veterinary Services (VS), and _____, Accredited Veterinarian, hereinafter called the Fee Veterinarian.

WITNESSETH:

A. The Fee Veterinarian agrees:

1. That upon request of the Veterinary Services Assistant District Director for the State of _____, to perform professional services in connection with _____ program for Veterinary Services, as authorized, including but not limited to testing, collecting blood or tissue samples, vaccinating, tagging, branding, and appraising, in accordance with the instructions furnished by Veterinary Services and at the rate set forth in the schedule of fees furnished to the Fee Veterinarian.
2. To submit all work reports for services rendered not later than 30 days after the end of the semi-monthly period during which work was performed.
3. To personally perform the fee basis services or utilize the services of a licensed veterinary technician in accordance with current USDA, APHIS, VS policy.
4. To act in all instances in a responsibly prudent and professional manner.
5. That when performing services under the terms of this agreement, the Fee Veterinarian will be governed by the instructions that have been issued by the cooperating State and Federal officials in charge of disease control work in the State and will be responsible to the State and/or Federal Regulatory Veterinarians when performing such services.

B. Veterinary Services agrees:

To pay the Fee Veterinarian, in accordance with the fee basis schedule established by the cooperating State and Federal officials and approved by Veterinary Services, a copy of which is hereby furnished.

C. It is mutually agreed:

1. That the Fee Veterinarian, in the performance of this agreement, shall act in an independent capacity and not as an official or employee or agent of Veterinary Services.
2. That the fee will cover compensation and all expenses incurred by the Fee Veterinarian, including, but not limited to, professional equipment and traveling expenses.
3. That this agreement will be in full force and effect until terminated by either party upon 10 days written notice.
4. That this agreement governs the performance of services when and if requested by Veterinary Services.
5. That no member of, or delegate to Congress, or resident commissioner, shall be admitted to any share or part of this agreement or to any benefit to arise therefrom.

IN WITNESSETH WHEREOF, This agreement has been executed, by and on behalf of the parties hereto, on the day and year set forth herein.

FEE VETERINARIAN

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