



## Examination Application Form

### Application for new candidates - full or split format

Please note: new candidates are defined as those starting the examination from the beginning, whether they are on their first attempt, have failed to validate at least 2 sections or have scored less than 30% in one or more failed sections.

### Important information

The application is binding.

Please note that the selected examination format cannot be changed after the application has been submitted.

Please note that incomplete applications, or applications with incorrect data, will be charged 50 € each time the ECVP Office has to contact the applicant to amend the incorrectly submitted form and to resubmit it. In the event of forms being resubmitted but still not complete with all the correct information, the charge will be 100 €, etc. until the form is completed successfully. Proof of payment for these fees is required before your examination eligibility can be assessed.

Please note: if it is not possible to tick the boxes, please put an X next to the chosen box.

### Application statement

I hereby apply to the European College of Veterinary Pathologists for certification by examination.

First name(s) as it appears on my ID document: \_\_\_\_\_

Last name(s) as it appears on my ID document: \_\_\_\_\_

Work address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Documentation of mandatory training

### Internship

Please provide:

- Dates (day/month/year) of start \_\_\_\_\_ and end \_\_\_\_\_ of the “internship”
- Name of the workplace \_\_\_\_\_
- Type of position \_\_\_\_\_
- Description of duties \_\_\_\_\_

Note: “internship” is intended to mean work or training as a veterinarian in a field relevant to veterinary pathology for a minimum of 1 year after graduation from veterinary medicine.

### Residency training

Check the appropriate box and provide the requested information.

☐ **Standard training programme**

At least 36 months of full-time training to be completed **before 01 February** of the year the candidate intends to sit the examination.

Please indicate in the table below, in chronological order, the period of time spent at each site including month and year of start and end of each period, the name of the ECVP-registered training centre, the type of position held during each period of training, the full name of the sponsor and the sponsor's signature. Please note that your sponsor should be your named primary supervisor and not the programme director if these roles are held by different people.

Month/Year		ECVP-registered residency training centre	Position held	Sponsor's full name	Sponsor's signature
Start	End				

☐ **Alternative training programme**
☐ **Individual plan**
☐ **Modular credit system**

Please provide the completed logbook as separate document.

Please indicate in the table below, in chronological order the period of time spent at each site including month and year of start and end of each period, the name of the workplace/training centre, the type of position held during each period of training, the full name of the sponsor and the sponsor's signature.

Month/Year		Workplace/training centre	Position held	Sponsor's full name	Sponsor's signature
Start	End				

## Publications

List 2 publications in internationally recognised journals in the field of veterinary pathology in which you are an author or co-author and reference them including author(s), title, journal, volume, page, and year of publication.

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please attach in this application PDF versions of these 2 publications.

Note: 1 of the 2 papers must have been accepted by the time of application to take the ECVP examination, **by 01 August** of the year prior to the examination. Manuscripts accepted for publication are acceptable in conjunction with an official letter of acceptance from the editor of the journal. A second manuscript can be under review at the time of application. In cases where the second paper has not been accepted **by 01 February** of the examination year and the candidate passes the examination, the candidate will only be declared and registered as an ECVP Diplomate upon providing proof that the second paper has been accepted. Acceptance of the second publication needs to be confirmed **no later than 6 months after 01 February** of the same year, i.e. **by 31 July**.

## Examination selection options

### Selection of examination sections by the applicant

Please choose how you wish to undertake the first attempt of the examination.

- ☐ **Full format:** I wish to attempt all **5 sections** of the examination
- ☐ **Split format – first block:** I wish to split the examination and will take the following **3 sections**
- ☐ **Histopathology**
  - ☐ **Gross Pathology**
  - ☐ **General Pathology**
  - ☐ **Veterinary Pathology**
  - ☐ **Comprehensive Pathology**

Note: please refer to the Document “[Examination Structure](#)” for detailed examination rules.

### Selection of major and minor item for the Veterinary Pathology section by the applicant

The Veterinary Pathology section of the examination is divided into subsections, major and minor items, each comprising multiple choice and short answer questions.

**Major item:** all candidates must take small and large domestic animal pathology.

**Minor item:** 1 minor item must be selected from the list provided below. Please mark the topic of choice:

- ☐ Exotic animals
- ☐ Laboratory animals
- ☐ Poultry

### Previous examination attendance

In case you have already taken the examination, either full or split format, and you did not pass the minimum of at least 2 sections or scored less than 30% in one or more failed sections, you must restart from the beginning and apply as a new candidate. If you are in this case, please tick the box and indicate the previous year(s) in which you have taken the examination.

- ☐ Yes

Please indicate in which year(s) you have already taken the examination and which format here below:

Previous attempts	Year	Format (please tick the corresponding boxes)	
1 <sup>st</sup>		<input type="checkbox"/> full	<input type="checkbox"/> split
2 <sup>nd</sup>		<input type="checkbox"/> full	<input type="checkbox"/> split
3 <sup>rd</sup>		<input type="checkbox"/> full	<input type="checkbox"/> split

## Practical information

Please do not book your accommodation before receiving examination venue information, which shall be communicated **at the beginning of November** prior to the examination.

Please note that all sections will be exclusively delivered in a digital format using ExamSoft. The scope and type of questions will not be changed. For the Histopathology section, descriptions will be performed digitally but glass slides and standard microscopes will remain. For the Gross Pathology section, answers will have to be entered in ExamSoft but images will remain projected in the room using a projector (i.e. images will not be displayed in ExamSoft). For Comprehensive Pathology, answers will have to be entered in ExamSoft but tables and figures will be provided on a paper document.

Candidates must bring their own laptop and a mouse with scrolling wheel to take the examination. Appropriate documentation and training sessions will be provided to the candidates prior to the examination date. It is highly recommended that the same laptop is used for the training sessions and the examination. Minimum system requirements are available [here](#). Each candidate will be responsible for providing their own technical equipment which fulfils the given requirements. Any technical issues of their own equipment are under the responsibility of the candidates. Please note that in case of technical issues, you should continue your examination on paper; if you do not wish to continue, that part of the examination will be considered finished and will be scored in the same way as for the other candidates. In the case of events beyond the control of the ECVP or its collaborators, no liability can be attributed to them.

Candidates are expected to be in the examination room **at the latest 30 minutes in advance** to register, sign and settle down. In order to start on time, the doors will be closed 15 minutes before the start of the examination, and no candidate will be admitted to the room after this time. Please note that non-admission to the room will be considered a failure.

## Sponsor's signature

### Sponsor

**Note to the sponsor:** the sponsor's signature on a candidate's application certifies that the candidate has received adequate training to sit and pass the examination.

Sponsorship of a candidate is not to be taken lightly since sponsorship is one of the principal indices used by the ECVF Council in determining a candidate's acceptability to sit the examination.

A sponsor's signature clearly does not guarantee success for the candidate, but it should serve as a guarantee by the sponsor that the candidate fulfils the requirements and has been thoroughly prepared.

**Please give your assent to the following text by signing here below:** *"As a sponsor of the candidate, and based on my own appreciation of the candidate's skills, I recognize the candidate as being ready to prepare for and take the examination after the candidate has completed any missing credential in due time (for instance, the minimum 36 months residency programme and required publications). I recognize that one of ECVF's objectives is to ensure candidates are appropriately prepared to be successful at the examination and, as an ECVF Diplomat, by signing this application as a sponsor of the candidate, actively and faithfully commit in supporting this ECVF objective."*

Sponsor's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's full name (typed): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's address: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Candidate

If your principal supervisor is not the sponsor, please give the reason(s) why: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Note to the candidate: you should obtain the signature of the person (sponsor) most responsible for your training in veterinary pathology. Your sponsor must be a Certified ECVF Diplomat or an ACVP Diplomat who fulfils the criteria listed in ECVF By-laws Art. 2.1.

## Notice to the candidate

Please read the following carefully and sign here below:

- I agree to disqualification from certification or to forfeiture and return of such certificate in the event that any of the rules governing such certification are violated by me or that any other statements herein made are knowingly false or in the event that I violate or do not comply with any provisions of the Articles of Association and By-laws of the ECVP concerning certification.
- I agree not to reproduce or transmit by any means to anyone, questions or materials contained in any portion of the ECVP examination. I am aware that my copy of the examination, partial scores and keys for correction will not be disclosed to person, including myself, except for Examination Committee members during grading.
- I am aware that after scores have been approved by the Council, there will not be any possibility of having my examination rescored.
- I agree to hold the European College of Veterinary Pathologists, its members, examiners, officers and agents free of any damage or complaint by reason of any action they or any individual may take in connection with this application and/or failure of said body to issue me such certification or failure to elect me to a membership in the European College of Veterinary Pathologists.
- I confirm that I have understood that in the case of failing one or more sections of the examination for a second time, not passing the minimum of at least 2 sections or scoring less than 30% in one or more failed sections since attempt, I will be required to submit a study plan that must be accepted by the Applications Committee before being allowed to resit the missing section(s) or all sections of the examination.
- I confirm that I will make full disclosure with this application, if I have any disability, medical condition, or other such special circumstances that the ECVP Council and the Examination Committee should be aware of in order for them to consider the feasibility of special conditions or assistance for me to sit the ECVP examination. If I received any examination adjustments as an undergraduate student, I will share this information to help inform the Examination Committee of my needs, but I understand that replicating those adjustments may not be feasible and the Examination Committee reserves the right to assess what adjustments can or cannot reasonably be offered. Formal supporting documentation (medical certificate and, if applicable, disability declaration) should be provided at the same time and together with the examination application. Should any such circumstances arise after the application, I will inform the College prior to the examination in writing to the ECVP Office as soon as possible, **at the latest 2 weeks** prior to the examination. If at any time I experience problems during the examination, I will immediately inform a member of the Examination Committee.

Place, date: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Registration fee and deadline

### Application submission

Your application should be uploaded as an electronic document by clicking the submit button provided on the website <https://www.ecvpath.org/examination-application> and include:

- Completed and signed application form
- Proof of payment of the examination fee

### Deadline

The complete application must be submitted online **no later than 01 August at 23:59** of the year preceding the year in which it is intended to sit the examination. Please note that no exceptions to the deadline will be made.