

**MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE
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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21215
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APPLICATION ANIMAL ACUPUNCTURE CERTIFICATION

APPLICATION FEE: A non-refundable fee of **\$100.00** must be made payable (check or money order) to the Maryland State Board of Acupuncture.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. FULL LEGAL NAME

(Last) (First) (M.I.)

2. ADDRESS

(Street No. and Street Name) (City, State, Zip Code)

3. CONTACT NUMBER(S)

(Home) (Work)

(Email)

4. MARYLAND ACUPUNCTURE LICENSE

(License Number) (Expiration Date)

PLEASE NOTE THAT TO PRACTICE ACUPUNCTURE ON ANIMALS, A LICENSED ACUPUNCTURIST MUST:

- (1) Possess current certification for animal acupuncture from the Board;
- (2) Cooperate and consult with a veterinary practitioner by:
 - (a) Beginning acupuncture treatment on an animal only if the animal has been seen by a veterinary practitioner within the previous 14 days;
 - (b) Adhering to the terms and conditions of treatment decided by the veterinary practitioner, including the degree of communication and collaboration between the veterinary practitioner and the person practicing acupuncture;
 - (c) Reporting to the veterinary practitioner at the end of the animal's treatment or at monthly intervals at the discretion of the veterinary practitioner;
 - (d) Not working on an animal for which the person has not been appropriately trained in accordance with this regulation; and
 - (e) A person may not represent to the public that the person is an animal acupuncturist and may not practice acupuncture on animals unless the person is certified by the board to practice acupuncture on animals.

EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicants must show proof of having successfully completed a Board-approved specialty training program in animal acupuncture from a school accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (ACAOM) or approved by the Maryland Higher Education Commission that consists of a minimum of 135 hours of theory and clinical training.

2. List the name & complete address of the animal acupuncture school, dates attended, and courses completed. Also list if the school is accredited by ACAOM or approved by the Maryland Higher Education Commission:

3. **TRANSCRIPTS SHOWING COMPLETION OF ANIMAL ACUPUNCTURE TRAINING MUST BE SENT DIRECTLY TO THE BOARD FROM THE SCHOOL** and must document the following:

- a) At least 90 hours in diagnosis of energy dynamics and treatment of animals;
- b) At least 15 hours in comparative functional anatomy and physiology of animals;
- c) At least 15 hours in animal handling, restraints, and emergencies; and
- d) At least 20 hours in introduction to animal diseases and zoonotics that require the immediate attention of a veterinary practitioner.

RELEASE

**** (Must be signed in the presence of a Notary Public) ****

I hereby grant a release to the State of Maryland Board of Acupuncture to secure any information or document needed to evaluate my application for this certification.

(Applicant Signature) (Date)

NOTARY PUBLIC

Sworn before me this _____ Day of _____, 19_____.

(Notary - Name Printed) (Notary - Signature)

My Commission Expires _____

NOTARY SEAL

APPLICANT SIGNATURE OF UNDERSTANDING

I affirm that the information I have given in this application is true and correct, and that I am thoroughly familiar with the Statute and Regulations which govern the practice of Animal Acupuncture in the State of Maryland. I also understand that any false information provided as part of my application may be cause for the denial of my application.

(Signature)

(Date)

FOR BOARD USE ONLY

Approved _____
Date _____

Date Certified
Certification No.