

**AMERICAN ACADEMY OF VETERINARY PREVENTATIVE MEDICINE OF THE
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FEDERAL VETERINARIANS**

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**CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS
OF
AMERICAN ACADEMY OF VETERINARY PREVENTATIVE MEDICINE OF
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ARTICLE I – Establishment

Section 1. The name of this association shall be the AMERICAN ACADEMY OF VETERINARY PREVENTATIVE MEDICINE OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FEDERAL VETERINARIANS, hereinafter called the Academy.

Section 2. The Academy is incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia as a non-profit corporation.

Section 3. The Academy shall be a constituent body of the National Association of Federal Veterinarians.

Section 4. The principal office of the Academy shall be the office of the National Association of Federal Veterinarians at 1522 K Street, NW, Suite 828, Washington, DC, 20005.

ARTICLE II – Objectives

The objectives of the Academy are to develop and improve standards and performance in the veterinary medical profession through continued education by (1) providing graduate courses in the science and art of veterinary preventative medicine; (2) granting recognition of achievement in the field of veterinary preventative medicine, and (3) doing any and all things related to the furtherance of the veterinary medical profession.

ARTICLE III – Membership

Section 1. The Academy is to be divided into two classes of members with one class being comprised of members in good standing of the National Association of Federal Veterinarians and the other class comprised of non-members of the National Association of Federal Veterinarians who are engaged in the field of veterinary preventative medicine. Members are to be considered probationary members until the requirements for being a member in good standing are met.

Section 2. To be a member in good standing one must acquire 50 hours of instruction per year, a maximum of 10 hours being informal instruction. Formal instruction shall be credited at the rate of one hour for each hour of approved training, seminars, conferences, conventions, meetings or

other approved activity.

Informal instruction shall include self-instruction such as journal reading, educational tapes or movies, consultation with neighboring colleagues or other approved activities for a maximum of 10 hours credit per year.

Ten instructional hours equal one Continuing Education Unit (CEU). After three years of being a member not in good standing, membership shall be dropped.

Section 3. (1) Enrollment shall be \$10.00 for members in good standing in the National Association of Federal Veterinarians;

(2) Enrollment fee shall be \$20.00 for non-members of the National Association of Federal Veterinarians.

(3) The Academy shall be self-supporting from enrollment fees and fees from the seminars to be conducted by the National Association of Federal Veterinarians. The Board of Directors may levy assessments or dues by a majority vote.

ARTICLE IV - Administration

Section 1. The governing body of the Academy shall be the Board of Directors of the Academy, appointed by the Board of Directors of the National Association of Federal Veterinarians. Advice and assistance on seminars to be offered will begin with the various NAFV committees, approved by the Professional Development Committee and conducted by the NAFV. The Executive Vice President of NAFV will be responsible for keeping of all records. When a member obtains the 50 hours of instruction, the Academy will issue a membership certificate of plaque.

Section 2. The meetings of this Academy shall be held at a time and place to be designated by the Board of Directors. Special meetings may be called upon the recommendation of a majority of the Board. All meetings shall be announced by mail to the membership not less than 30 days prior to the stated time of the meeting. Mailing of notice shall be sent to the member's latest known address.

Section 3. A quorum of the board of Directors shall consist of a majority.

Section 4. The fiscal year shall be the calendar year.

Section 5. Committees shall be appointed by the Board of Directors as needed.

ARTICLE V – Parliamentary Authority

Section 1. Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, shall govern the conduct of meetings when not in conflict with the Constitution and by-Laws or by a higher law.

ARTICLE VI – Dissolution

Section 1. The Academy may be dissolved on 30 days notice by a majority vote of the entire Board of NAFV. Such a dissolution shall be effective 90 days after such vote is taken, provided

all outstanding obligations of the Academy have been satisfied.

Section 2. In case of dissolution of this Academy, all of its remaining assets, if any, shall be distributed to an organization or organizations exempted from taxation under 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code.

ARTICLE VII – Amendment of the Constitution and Bylaws

This Constitution and By-laws may be amended by the Board of Directors of the National Association of Federal Veterinarians at any regular meeting. The proposed amendment shall be in the possession of the Board of Directors of NAFV and membership not less than 30 days before the meeting to provide ample opportunity for consideration by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII – Non-Discrimination

The Academy shall not in any way discriminate in membership or activities on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or age.

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