2018 ACVS CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION READING LIST

The following references and books are suggested reading for preparation for the 2018 Examination. Other textbooks and current references may be pertinent. Knowledge of basic and applied anatomy is assumed.

Selected References for Small Animal Surgery

6. Tams TR, & Rawlings CA. Small Animal Endoscopy, Elsevier, (3rd Ed), 2011. *Chapter 1 (endoscopic instrumentation, etc.), Chapter 11 (Energy & stapling devices), Chapter 12 (App of LASER energy), Chapter 13 (Endoscopic knot tying & suturing), Chapter 14 (Psychomotor training), Chapter 15 (Laparoscopy), Chapter 16 (Thoracoscopy), Chapter 21 (Arthroscopy).*

Selected References for Large Animal Surgery

5. Guyton AC, Hall JE. Textbook of Veterinary Physiology, W.B. Saunders Co., (13th Ed) 2016. *Chapters 6, 7, 8, 9 (pages 113-116); Chapters 11, 13, 14, 16, 17 (pages 212-213); Chapter 19 (pages 234-236); Chapters 25, 26, 27, 28 (pages 362-365); Chapters 31, 34, 35, 37, 80.*
6. Lumb and Jones. Veterinary Anesthesia and Analgesia, Blackwell Publishing, (5th Ed), 2015. *Chapters 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 29 (relevant large animal sections); and chapters 46-49 and 51.*
Many journals contain articles pertaining to surgery (both human and veterinary) and should be perused for current literature. A partial list of veterinary journals includes:

**Journals for Small Animal Surgery Candidates**
- *American Journal of Veterinary Research*
- *Compendium (including web-only publications)*
- *Journal of Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care*
- *Journal of American Veterinary Medical Association*
- *Journal of Veterinary Internal Medicine*
- *Journal of Small Animal Practice*
- *Veterinary Comparative Orthopedics and Traumatology*
- *Veterinary Radiology & Ultrasound*
- *Veterinary Surgery*

**Journals for Large Animal Surgery Candidates**
- *American Journal of Veterinary Research*
- *Equine Veterinary Journal & Supplements*
- *Equine Veterinary Education*
- *Journal of American Veterinary Medical Association*
- *Veterinary and Comparative Orthopaedics and Traumatology*
- *Veterinary Surgery*

The majority of questions come from literature published in the last five years. For example, if you are taking the 2018 examination, questions will primarily come from literature published in the range of 11/01/12 – 10/31/17. Questions may also come from older articles considered significant and essential to the knowledge of the veterinary surgeon.