The following references and books are suggested reading for preparation for the 2013 Examination. Other textbooks and current references may be pertinent. Knowledge of basic and applied anatomy is assumed.

**Selected References for Small Animal Surgery**

5. Boothe DM: Small Animal Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics, Elsevier (2nd Ed), 2011. *Chapter 6 (Principles of Antimicrobial Therapy), Chapter 7 (Antimicrobial drugs), and Chapter 29 (Anti-inflammatory drugs).*
8. 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), and chapter 21 (Arthroscopy).*

**Selected References for Large Animal Surgery**

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 the American Animal Hospital Association
- Journal of Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care
- Journal of American Veterinary Medical Association
- Journal of Veterinary Internal Medicine
- Veterinary Clinics of North America (Small Animal Practice)
- Veterinary Comparative Orthopedics and Traumatology
- 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 Clinics of North America (Food Animal Practice)
- Veterinary Clinics of North America (Equine Practice)
- Veterinary Surgery

The majority of questions come from literature published in the last five years. For example, if you are taking the 2013 examination, questions will primarily come from literature published in the range of 01/01/08 – 12/31/12. Questions may also come from older articles considered significant and essential to the knowledge of the veterinary surgeon.

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