2012 ACVS EXAMINATION READING LIST

The following references and books are suggested reading for preparation for the 2012 Examination. Other textbooks and current references may be pertinent. Knowledge of basic and applied anatomy is assumed.

Selected References for Small Animal Surgery

8. Boothe DM: Small Animal Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics, W.B. Saunders Co., 2001. Chapter 8 (Principles of antimicrobial therapy), Chapter 9 (Antimicrobial drugs) and Chapter 16 (Anti-inflammatory drugs);
   OR
   NOTE: May use either 1st or 2nd edition for 2012 examination; 2nd ed. only thereafter.

Selected References for Large Animal Surgery

10. Boothe DM: Small Animal Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics, W.B. Saunders Co., 2001. Chapter 8 (Principles of antimicrobial therapy), Chapter 9 (Antimicrobial drugs) and Chapter 16 (Anti-inflammatory drugs);
Selected Journals

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
- Compendium Equine (including web-only publications)*
- 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 2012 examination, questions will primarily come from literature published in the range of 01/01/07 – 12/31/11. Questions may also come from older articles considered significant and essential to the knowledge of the veterinary surgeon.

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