

KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE  
**VETERINARIAN EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE**

The undersigned veterinarian certifies that the **drugs** and **pharmaceuticals** purchased from:

Seller: \_\_\_\_\_  
Business Name

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street, RR, or P.O. Box                      City                      State                      Zip + 4

are exempt from Kansas sales and compensating use tax for the following reason:

K.A.R. 92-19-42 exempts the sale of drugs and pharmaceuticals to veterinarians for use by them in the professional treatment of animals or for resale.

**Description of drugs and pharmaceuticals purchased:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned understands and agrees that if the drugs or pharmaceuticals are used other than as stated above or for any other purpose that is not exempt from sales or compensating tax, the undersigned veterinarian becomes liable for the tax.

Purchaser: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Veterinarian

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street, RR, or P.O. Box                      City                      State                      Zip + 4

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE COMPLETED IN ITS ENTIRETY.**

**WHO MAY USE THIS EXEMPTION?** Only those persons licensed to practice veterinary medicine may use this certificate.

**WHAT PURCHASES ARE EXEMPT?** Only **prescription** drugs and pharmaceuticals are exempt from sales tax. To be exempt, the veterinarian must also keep a copy of the prescription order on file. When dealing with a veterinary or medical supply house that sells not only drugs and pharmaceuticals but other items not exempt (see below), a veterinarian may only use this certificate for the invoice items that are prescription drugs.

**WHAT PURCHASES ARE TAXABLE? Nonprescription** drugs (such as vitamins, diet pills, or weight loss tablets) and nonprescription salves and ointments are not exempt from sales tax. Veterinarians must pay sales tax on these and similar items used in their practice or given to a client for outpatient use as part of an examination or consultation.

Veterinarians must also pay sales tax on their medical supplies and equipment. The following is a representative but not exclusive list of items commonly purchased by veterinarians that are **TAXABLE**:

- |                        |                     |   |
|------------------------|---------------------|---|
| Bandages               | Medical instruments | Operating room equipment                    |
| Dressings              | Needles             | Pet food (prescription and nonprescription) |
| Furniture              | Office equipment    | Syringes                                    |
| Magazine subscriptions | Office supplies     | Topical sprays and shampoos                 |

If the above types of property are purchased from a retailer in another state and a sales tax equal the Kansas state and local sales tax rate in effect where the item is used, stored or consumed has not been paid a Kansas compensating use tax is due on these purchases. Additional information about Kansas compensating use tax is contained in Publication KS-1510, "Kansas Sales and Use Tax." This booklet is available from our office or web site: [www.ksrevenue.org](http://www.ksrevenue.org)

Veterinarians should purchase items intended for resale to pet owners (such as collars, leashes, pet foods, shampoos and topical sprays) without tax using a Resale Exemption Certificate, Form ST-28A. In order to use a Resale Exemption Certificate, the veterinarian must have a Kansas sales tax registration number in order to collect the sales tax from the customer.

**RETAINING THIS CERTIFICATE.** Sellers should retain a completed copy of this certificate in their records for at least three years from the date of sale. A seller is relieved of liability for the tax if it obtains a completed exemption certificate from a purchaser with which the seller has a recurring business relationship. A certificate need not be renewed or updated when there is a recurring business relationship between the buyer and seller. A recurring business relationship exists when a period of no more than 12 months elapses between sales transactions.