

Requirements to change a registrant's surname in the CVBC register and online registry

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On successful registration with the College of Veterinarians of British Columbia (CVBC), the registrant's full name will be recorded in the CVBC register (s. 39, Veterinarian's Act) and the online registry (s. 41, Veterinarian's Act). Thereafter, the registrant will be known in the CVBC records by their registered surname. Following registration, the CVBC will provide notification of the registrant's name to other Canadian veterinary regulatory bodies, BC Pharmanet, veterinary distributor's, Veterinary Drugs Directorate of Health Canada, etc.

If a registrant wishes to change their surname in the CVBC register and the online registry, the CVBC bylaws, Part 2 – Registration, s. 2.43 (1), Change of address and contact information' states: *Upon request and the provision of proof of Canadian federal or provincial government issued identification, the registrar may change the registrant's name on the college's register.*

Suitable proof would be government issued photographic identification such as a BC Driver's License and Service Card, Canadian Passport that bears the new surname.

In lieu of original documents, registrants may submit notarized copies of the originals.