



Information Sheet – Remote Dispensing of Antimicrobial Drugs for Large/Farmed Animal

Veterinarians practising in farmed or large animal medicine have the opportunity to dispense antimicrobial drugs remotely from their existing accredited facility.

Given the fact that some antimicrobial drugs for farmed and large animal practice are dispensed in bulk, a legitimate issue is whether a veterinarian has adequate space for storage to facilitate dispensing directly from an accredited veterinary facility. To accommodate this potential need, the College of Veterinarians of Ontario has approved the opportunity for a veterinarian to dispense from a location that is accredited as a satellite to his/her existing facility. This satellite location is permitted to dispense and ship antimicrobials to the client/farm pursuant to a valid Veterinarian-Client-Patient-Relationship (VCPR), and a valid prescription.

Only a veterinarian licensed in Ontario and employed by the accredited facility or a Registered Veterinary Technician (RVT) under the delegation and indirect supervision of the prescribing veterinarian, may dispense antimicrobials from the satellite location.

Additional details:

- A satellite location for the purpose of dispensing antimicrobial drugs only, must be affiliated with a veterinarian licensed by the College of Veterinarians of Ontario, who is also the facility director of an existing accredited facility.
- A veterinarian with an accredited facility who wishes to dispense remotely through a satellite location must have a signed agreement with the College of Veterinarians of Ontario.

Links to application forms:

- [Application for Inspection of Satellite Location for the Purposes of Remote Dispensing \(PDF\)](#)
- [Satellite Facility - Remote Dispensing Acknowledgement & Undertaking \(PDF\)](#)

Additional resources:

Policy Statement: [Satellite Location – Remote Dispensing](#)

Accreditation Inspection Requirements: [Satellite Location – Remote Dispensing Options for Farmed and Large Animal](#)

Professional Practice Standards: Every veterinarian, regardless of scope of practice, is expected to meet the established standards of practice of the profession.