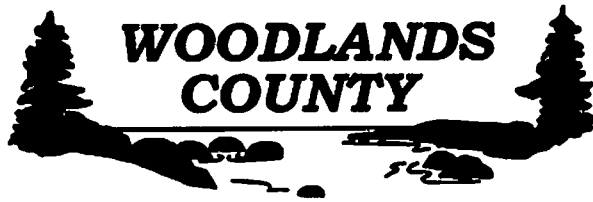


**Title: Veterinary Services
Incorporated
(VSI) Program
Policy No: 6315
Approval: County Council
Effective Date: February 6, 2007
Revised Date: none
Supersedes Policy No: none**



Policy Statement: Woodlands County recognizes the importance of the livestock industry in the municipality and will enter into an agreement with V.S.I. Services (1980) Ltd. in support of local livestock producers.

Purpose: To assist the livestock industry of Woodlands County by encouraging and providing the means by which professional veterinary services can be provided in conjunction with promoting preventative veterinary medicine.

Principles:

1. The program is for veterinary services on domestic cattle, hogs, sheep and goats raised or grown for the production of food.
2. Livestock producers must reside in Woodlands County to qualify for the program.
3. Livestock producers must own the animals that are to be covered under the program.
4. Schedule "A" lists the eligible veterinary services and applicable fee structure for the program.
5. Schedule "B" lists (partial) of ineligible veterinary services for the program.
6. In order to receive benefits under the VSI Program, the applicant must agree to and sign Schedule "C" (VSI Program Agreement) and be issued a VSI Number and card.
7. In the event that the VSI Program requisition exceeds the annual set budget, Council may waive all or a portion of the funding overage or initiate a bill-back procedure based on calculations described in Procedure 6315-01 to recover all or a portion of the overage.

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SCHEDULE "A" 30/70

Woodlands County

TARIFF OF FEES – JANUARY 1, 2007

Until this Tariff is amended and subject to the terms and conditions of the year 2007 contract, VSI Services (1980) Ltd. will pay the listed VSI fee charged by the veterinarian for the services stated herein. All other charges levied in association with the service(s) being claimed must be shown on the invoice.

VSI CODE	VETERINARY SERVICE	30% VSI fee	70% CLIENT fee
	Postmortem		
10	Cattle (adult)	\$ 30.00	\$ 70.00
99	Calves, swine, sheep & goats	24.60	57.40
	Hospitalization		
11	Hospitalization per day	\$ 12.60	\$ 29.40
	Surgery		
12	Major surgery per hour	\$ 60.60	\$141.40
13	Minor surgery per hour	52.20	121.80
14	Rumenotomy	108.00	252.00
15	Urethrotomy	33.90	79.10
16	Eye enucleation	69.60	162.40
17	Claw amputation	40.80	95.20
18	Corn removal	39.60	92.40
19	Vasectomy (lab fees to client)	51.00	119.00
20	Epididymectomy (lab fees to client)	45.00	105.00
22	Left displaced abomasum (LDA)	64.80	151.20
23	Umbilical hernia (cattle)	48.60	113.40
24	Rumen fistula	30.60	71.40
	X-rays		
2	Xrays – 2 plates	\$ 31.80	\$ 74.20
21	Xrays – 2 additional views	8.40	19.60
25	Herd Health per hour	\$ 45.60	\$106.40
	Code 25 covers the following procedures:		
	a. Reproductive evaluations		
	b. Metabolic diseases		
	c. Sub-clinical diseases		
	d. Herd prophylactic measures		
	e. Clinical therapy		
	f. Estrus detection (surgically altered animals)		

VSI CODE	VETERINARY SERVICE	30% VSI fee	70% CLIENT fee
	Obstetrics		
31	Cattle	\$ 39.60	\$ 92.40
32	Swine – per hour	50.40	117.60
33	Sheep and Goats	25.80	58.10
	Caesarean		
41	Cattle	\$ 90.00	\$210.00
42	Swine	78.00	182.00
43	Sheep & Goats	45.00	105.00
44	Embryotomy (cattle)	61.80	144.20
5	General Examination	\$ 22.80	\$ 53.20
51	Re-examination (same animal)	15.00	35.00
55	Clinical Therapy – per hour	\$ 40.80	\$ 95.20
56	Scouring calves (includes examination plus ½ hr. for IV hookup and monitoring)	\$ 39.60	\$ 92.40
6	Pregnancy diagnosis	\$ 1.10	\$ 2.60
	Fertility Evaluation		
60	Bulls first animal	\$ 24.00	\$ 56.00
61	Bulls each additional animal	18.00	42.00
62	Boars and Rams	\$ 21.00	\$ 49.00
	Prolapsed Uterus		
71	Cattle	\$ 43.20	\$100.80
72	Swine	33.00	77.00
73	Sheep	33.00	77.00
	Prolapsed Vagina or Rectum		
81	Cattle	\$ 31.20	\$ 72.80
82	Swine	31.20	72.80
83	Sheep	31.20	72.80
	Prolapsed Vagina and Rectum		
84	Cattle	\$ 44.40	\$103.60
9	Retained Placenta	\$ 23.40	\$ 54.60

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SCHEDULE "B"

Annexed to and forming a part of the agreement dated effective January 1, 2007
The following are some of the services not payable by V.S.I. Services (1980) Ltd.

- a. local anesthetics
- b. castrations
- c. dehorning
- d. dockings
- e. spaying heifers
- f. embryo transplants
- g. routine trimming of feet
- h. meat inspection
- i. scrotal hernias of swine
- j. umbilical hernias of swine
- k. cryptorchids of swine
- l. insurance examinations (including mortality, loss of use exams & reports)
- m. listed herd and dispersal sales
- n. shows & sales
- o. endorsement fees
- p. export testing
- q. parentage sampling
- r. routine vaccinations
- s. all drugs and medicines
- t. all laboratory fees
- u. all clinic charges (labor, disinfection, utilities, etc.)
- v. waiting time
- w. after hours or holiday fees
- x. mileage

Hospitalization for any service not specifically listed in Schedule "A".

All Schedule "A" services for other than domestic animals raised or grown for the production of food for human consumption i.e. bovine, porcine, caprine, or ovine.

All other veterinary services not specifically listed in Schedule "A" as amended from time to time.



Woodlands County

Veterinary Services Incorporated (VSI) Program Agreement

I/We, _____ of _____ AB hereby apply for entitlement to benefits as provided by the agreement between VSI Services Ltd. and Woodlands County.

Further, I agree to the following:

1. The VSI Program is for domestic Cattle, Pigs, Sheep and Goats raised or grown for the production of food.
2. The attached Schedule "A" contains the list and fee structure of approved veterinary services covered under the VSI Program.
3. The attached Schedule "B" contains the list of items that are not covered under the VSI Program.
4. The VSI Program is limited to residents of the Woodlands County.
5. Benefits received under the VSI Program are limited to owned livestock (Cattle, Pigs, Sheep and Goats) only.
6. Woodlands County's VSI Program has a capped budget and at the end of the year (December 31st) overages above the budget will be billed-back to all VSI members based on their percentage of use.
7. VSI members that do not pay the billed-back amount will have their benefits under the VSI Program removed until such time as their account is paid in full.
8. Woodlands County reserves the right to amend or rescind their agreement with VSI Services Ltd. at any time.
9. Woodlands County, its employees and agents shall be indemnified and held harmless from any and all claims, demands, actions and costs that may arise as a result of an act or omission under the VSI Program.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 20__ at the _____ of _____, AB

Signature

Jim Rennie, Reeve

VSI#: WC 15 - _____

Luc Mercier, CAO