

The Academy of Veterinary Clinical Pathology Technicians

Skills List Candidate Information

AVCPT requires that a licensed veterinarian or veterinary technician specialist (VTS) attest to your ability to perform the task. Each skill should be verified and signed by the licensed veterinarian or veterinary technician specialist who is most qualified to verify the skill. The person verifying your skills **must** sign at the bottom of the skills list form to validate their initials or signature throughout the form.

AVCPT defines mastery as: the candidate must be able to perform the task safely, consistently with a high degree of success and without being coached or prompted. Mastery requires having performed the task in a wide variety of patients, situations and a multitude of times. AVCPT candidates must demonstrate mastery of 100% of the listed **core skills** and 25 individual skills of the candidate's choice from the **supplemental skills** list. The supplemental skills list includes an "Other Testing" category which may be used for tests/skills that have not been included in either the current core or supplemental sections of the skills list. Any tests/skills submitted under the "Other Testing" section of the supplemental list are subject to approval by AVCPT. This section was included to allow for new methods, modalities or specialized testing that a candidate may perform.

All verified skills must be cross referenced to the case log. The skills you have mastered must be demonstrated in your case logs and case reports. You must include a case log number in the allocated space on the skills list. The case log number should be from the single case on the date at which the skill was considered mastered.

Include a word processed document of in-house Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) following the template and example below. Scanned manufacturer's instructions may be used for the "Procedures" portion of the template. All SOPs should be included in one folder. SOPs should include detailed information on quality control methods.