



Fundamentals of Animal Science Certification



The Elanco Fundamentals of Animal Science Certification verifies individuals have acquired the foundational knowledge and skills to pursue a career within the animal science industry.

Certification Exam

The certification exam, tested for on the iCEV platform, consists of 100 questions and assesses knowledge and skills from the following weighted industry standards:



Meeting the Industry Need

- Assesses Competencies Based on Weighted Industry-Valued & Industry-Accepted Standards
- Validates Knowledge & Skills
- Allows Employers to Identify & Connect with Skilled Candidates
- Jump-Starts Individuals' Careers

Industry Standards Breakdown

General Animal Science

Origin & Evolution of Livestock
Terms & Terminology (beef, dairy, horse, sheep, goat, swine, poultry)
External Anatomy
Meat Inspection Regulations
Harvesting Process

Animal Breeding

Animal Microgenetics (cell division, embryo development, structure/ composition of genes)
Breeding Systems (grading up, crossbreeding, inbreeding, linebreeding)
Breeding Methods (pen, stud, artificial insemination, embryo transfer) Cloning

Animal Health & Wellness

Common Diseases (nutritional, bacterial, viral, parasitic, fungal, genetic)
Common Parasites (internal, external)
Basic Surgical Procedures (dehorning, castration, tail docking, teeth clipping, lancing)
Injection Methods (intramuscular, subcutaneous, intravenous)
Injection & Vaccination Rules and Regulations

Animal Nutrition

Digestive Systems (ruminant, monogastric)
Digestive Requirements & Nutritional Needs (ruminant, monogastric)
Balanced Rations
Feeds & Additives
Hays & Legumes

Animal Management Practices

Production Systems
Handling & Equipment
Nutrition & Health
Selection & Breeding
Management Practices

Example Assessment Questions

- If a lamb consumes three pounds of feed per day, about how many pounds of water should he consume?
 - 6 to 15 lbs.
 - 2 to 5 lbs.
 - 10 to 14 lbs.
 - 15 to 18 lbs.
- Diarrhea, straining, loss of appetite and fever are symptoms common with which of the following diseases?
 - Haemonchus contortus
 - Coccidiosis
 - Milk fever
 - White muscle disease
- Weighing all EPDs, overall, which of the following bulls is superior to the rest?

		ID	DOB	BW	WW	YW	Milk	REA	Marbling
A	1	1	9/25/12	1.7	52	92	37	0.68	0.43
B	2	2	9/13/12	2.8	47	81	23	0.23	0.40
C	3	3	10/2/12	0.0	53	102	36	0.98	0.59
D	4	4	9/8/12	1.2	50	90	38	0.45	0.24
		Angus Breed Averages		1.8	46	83	23	0.13	0.39



Testing Platform

Elanco utilizes iCEV as the testing platform for this certification.

iCEV fulfills the following responsibilities:

- Provides secure testing technology for certification exams
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"Career opportunities within animal health are more vast and evolving than ever before. It is key for students to understand the dynamics of this highly innovative space and get real-world training from experts in the field.."

Eric Schilling

Director of Learning & Development
Elanco

About Elanco

Elanco is a global animal health company that develops products and knowledge services to prevent and treat disease in food, animals and pets in more than 90 countries. With a 64-year heritage, Elanco rigorously innovates to improve the health of animals and benefit customers, while fostering an inclusive, cause-driven culture for more than 5,800 employees. Elanco is driven by their vision of food and companionship enriching life - all to advance the health of animals, people and the planet.

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