

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF
COMMERCE AND INSURANCE
Division 2270—Missouri Veterinary Medical Board
Chapter 4—Minimum Standards**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2270-4.041 Minimum Standards for Medical Records. The board is amending section (2).

PURPOSE: This amendment clarifies the term reasonable period of time.

(2) Record and Radiograph Storage. All records shall be maintained for a minimum of five (5) years after the last visit, and all radiographs shall be maintained for a minimum of five (5) years from the date the radiograph was taken. Copies of records will be made available within a reasonable period of time upon the request of another treating veterinarian who has the authorization of the owner of the animal to which it pertains or directly to the owner or owner's agent. **Reasonable period of time means no more than five (5) business days or sooner in accordance with the patient's medical condition.** Documented proof of transfers of radiographs will be verifiable.

*AUTHORITY: sections 340.210, 340.264, and 340.284, RSMo 2016. * This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 270-4.041. Original rule filed Nov. 4, 1992, effective July 8, 1993. For intervening history, please consult the **Code of State Regulations**. Amended: Filed Jan. 23, 2024.*

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE ENTITY COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

*NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Missouri Veterinary Medical Board, PO Box 633, Jefferson City, MO 65102, via facsimile at (573) 526-3856, or via email at vets@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the **Missouri Register**. No public hearing is scheduled.*