

European College of Animal Welfare and Behaviour Medicine Animal Welfare Science, Ethics and Law (ECAWBM-AWSEL)

1. Membership and qualifications for Associate membership

The College may confer Associate member status on persons who have contributed significantly to research in the fields of animal welfare, ethics and law. Admission criteria for Associate Members are defined by the Executive Committee of the College and are described below. These criteria aim to ensure that only non- veterinary scientists of international repute who are active in the field of animal welfare science, ethics and law are admitted as Associate Members. Associate members are invited to apply by the AW Nomination and Credentials Committee.

2. Associate Members:

- a. are encouraged to participate in the training of residents of the respective College;
- b. are entitled to act as resident co-supervisors with a Diplomate responsible for the training programme;
- c. can be co-opted to College committees as advisers but are not allowed to hold office within the College or to vote at the Annual General Meeting;
- d. are encouraged to participate in scientific meetings and workshops organised by the College; and
- e. are not conferred with any diplomas and are not entitled to use the designation of Diplomate.

3. Criteria

- a) *Experience:* An eligible candidate should have at least ten years experience in one of the three elements of the specialty.
- b) *Publications:* An eligible candidate should have published at least ten original articles in internationally peer-reviewed journals relevant to AWSEL as first author (NB not sole author), or joint author. They should submit a list of their publications preferably along with their impact factors. The list can include non-peer reviewed articles, review articles, and proceedings abstracts as example of their ability to communicate their findings. Applicants are expected to confirm that the articles have been peer reviewed. Other forms of work may be acceptable e.g. peer reviewed book chapters, law reports, etc.
- c) They should be an active member of a national or international professional society, where such a society exists, that provides for the specialist subjects, e.g. the Animal Welfare Science, Ethics and Law Veterinary Society in the UK, the ISAE, LAW.
- d) All suitably qualified persons should be interested in furthering the aims of the ECAWBM (AWSEL) and should make a brief statement about how they would envisage how they would do that. They are also invited to suggest ways in which the College may be able to help them.

4. The procedure is as follows

A nominated person is asked to complete a short application form (Appendix 1) together with any supporting documents. These should be sent to Peter Thornton (credentialAWSEL@ecawbm.org). There is an annual fee at the moment of 75€. After this stage applications will be considered by the Credentials Committee and a recommendation made to the Executive Board of the College.

Appendix 1

*Application to become an
ASSOCIATE MEMBER of the
EUROPEAN COLLEGE OF ANIMAL WELFARE & BEHAVIOURAL MEDICINE
Sub-Specialty ANIMAL WELFARE SCIENCE, ETHICS AND LAW
(ECAWBM-AWSEL)*

NAME	
Qualifications	
Nationality	
Address	
Telephone	+
Email	

Please circle the correct answer for the following questions

Outline your professional education	
Do you have at least 10 years experience in Animal Welfare Science, Ethics and Law?	YES / NO
Please list your current and past employments, and your involvement in the field for the past 10 years	

Please provide further details of your experience in the following areas for the past 10 years:

(boxes will expand but please limit total response for all 3 elements to around 500 words focusing on the key criteria given above)

Animal welfare science: e.g. general and specific areas of research; supervisory and other duties (scientific paper reviewer, grant reviewer), research grants awarded	
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<p>Ethics: e.g. a knowledge of basic philosophical theory of decision making, applied ethical frameworks including general and specific areas of research and clinical human and veterinary practice; supervisory and other duties, research grants; member of an ethics committee, or ethics adviser, and other status indicating recognition</p>	
<p>Law: e.g. general and specific areas of research, or legal advice, knowledge of EU law as it applies to areas of animal use in human animal interactions especially veterinary and agricultural practices, other status indicating recognition</p>	
<p>Have you published at least 10 original papers relevant to Animal welfare science, Ethics and Law in internationally recognised peer-reviewed journals as first author?</p> <p>Please list them in full in chronological order, asterisking (*) those that have been ‘ground-breaking’ in some way or another. (maximum of 50 publications)</p>	<p>YES / NO</p>
<p>Are you a member of your national or European Veterinary Animal Welfare Science, Ethics and Law society (or equivalent e.g. UK AWSELVA, ISAE, LAW)? Give the name of the professional society</p>	<p>YES / NO</p>
<p>Please give us a list of any honours, prizes or other awards that you have achieved</p>	
<p>Please give the names and addresses including email and telephone numbers of 2 referees who would support your application.</p>	
<p>You agree that you have read and accept the conditions laid down in the by-laws of the College (see 2 above)</p>	<p>YES / NO</p>
<p>Don't forget to sign your application here.</p>	<p>Signed:</p> <p>Date:</p>

