

Career of the Month: Veterinary Surgeon



Minimum qualifications

an undergraduate degree



Typical salary (with experience)

£30 – 45k



Competition for places

High



Demand for this role

Medium

Vets treat animals that are suffering because of disease or injury. They administer vaccinations, prescribe drugs and deliver newborn animals. They also advise owners on caring for their animals.

Useful skills and qualities:

Highly motivated

Inquisitive

A good problem solver

Confident

A good communicator

Full of initiative

Caring

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Things to consider



Demanding training

The training is long.



Very competitive

The profession is very competitive to enter.



Varied work

In this career you will never stop learning – more experience will make you a better vet.



Heavy responsibility

It can be a very stressful but rewarding job, with lots of responsibility.



Distressing aspects

You will have to deal with the death of some of the animals you treat, including times when you put them down.

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