

DIVISION 25

PHARMACY TECHNICIANS AND CERTIFIED OREGON PHARMACY TECHNICIANS

855-025-0001

Purpose and Scope

The purpose of the Pharmacy Technician (PT) license is to provide an opportunity for an individual to obtain competency in the role as a Pharmacy Technician. This license will allow an individual time to take and pass a national pharmacy technician certification examination, which is required to be eligible for licensure as a Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician (CPT). These rules facilitate the initial licensure of a nationally certified Pharmacy Technician seeking licensure in Oregon.

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Stats. Implemented: 689.225, 689.486

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Qualifications for Licensure as a Pharmacy Technician or Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician

- (1) To qualify for licensure as a Pharmacy Technician or Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician, an applicant must demonstrate that the applicant is at least 18 years of age and has obtained a high school diploma or GED.
- (2) Section one does not apply to persons under the age of 18 licensed by the Board as a Pharmacy Technician prior to January 1, 2015.
- (3) An applicant for licensure as a Pharmacy Technician or Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician must complete an application for licensure, provide the Board with a valid e-mail address and furnish documentation required to conduct a criminal background check.
- (4) No person whose license has been denied, revoked, suspended or restricted by any healthcare professional regulatory Board may be licensed as a Pharmacy Technician or Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician unless the Board determines that licensure will pose no danger to patients or to the public interest.

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855-025-0010**Licensure as a Pharmacy Technician**

(1) The license of a Pharmacy Technician expires the second June 30 from the date of issue and is not to exceed two years.

(2) The Pharmacy Technician license is not renewable.

(3) A time limited extension of a Pharmacy Technician license may be granted once by petition to the Board. The written completed petition must be received by the Board prior to the expiration of the PT license.

(4) An individual may reapply for a Pharmacy Technician license if the previous PT license is lapsed for a period greater than five years.

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855-025-0012**Licensure as a Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician**

(1) To qualify for licensure as a Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician, the applicant must demonstrate that he or she has taken and passed a national pharmacy technician certification examination offered by:

(a) The Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB); or

(b) The National Healthcareer Association (NHA).

(2) The license of a Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician expires June 30 in even numbered years and must be renewed biennially.

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855-025-0015**Renewal of Licensure as a Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician**

(1) A person who has taken and passed a national pharmacy technician certification examination listed in OAR 855-025-0012(1)(a)-(b) may use the following title, and is referred to in these rules as, and is licensed as a “Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician.”

(2) An applicant for renewal of a Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician license must:

(a) Pay the biennial license fee prescribed in OAR 855-110.

(b) Satisfactorily complete a minimum of 20 continuing pharmacy educating hours during the period from July 1 through June 30, of each license renewal cycle. These hours must include:

(A) Two hours of continuing pharmacy education in pharmacy law;

(B) Two hours of continuing pharmacy education in patient safety or error prevention; and

(C) Sixteen other hours of continuing pharmacy education or documented onsite training approved by the Board.

(c) OAR 855-025-0015(2)(b) does not apply to a Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician applying for the first renewal of their license, if they have not been licensed by the Board for at least one year prior to July 1 of the renewal period.

(d) Be subject to an annual criminal background check.

(3) The Board may randomly select and audit applications for renewal to verify completion of continuing education or documented onsite training reported on the application for renewal. A Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician whose application for renewal is selected for audit must provide documentation of completion of the continuing pharmacy education reported.

(4) Effective January 1, 2015, national certification is not required to renew a license as a Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician.

(5) A Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician who fails to renew his or her license by the expiration date and whose license has been lapsed for less than one year may renew his or her license as follows:

(a) Complete the renewal process;

(b) Pay the biennial license fee as prescribed in OAR 855-110;

(c) Pay a delinquent fee; and

(d) Complete the required continuing education pursuant to OAR 855-025-0015(2)(b).

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Reinstatement of a Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician License

(1) A Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician who fails to renew their license by the deadline and whose license has been lapsed for greater than one year may reinstate their license as follows:

- (a) Complete a new application for licensure and provide the Board with a valid e-mail address;
 - (b) Pay the biennial license fee as prescribed in OAR 855-110;
 - (c) Submit to a national fingerprint background check; and
 - (d) Provide certification of completion of 10 continuing education hours. These hours may not be counted toward renewal; and must include:
 - (A) One hour of continuing pharmacy education in pharmacy law;
 - (B) One hour of continuing pharmacy education in patient safety or error prevention; and
 - (C) Eight other hours of pharmacy technician-specific continuing education.
- (2) A Certified Oregon Pharmacy Technician whose license has been lapsed greater than five years must:
- (a) Re-take and pass a national pharmacy technician certification examination offered by:
 - (A) The Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB); or
 - (B) National Healthcareer Association (NHA).
 - (b) Satisfy reinstatement requirements pursuant to OAR 855-025-0060(1).

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