Toxicology Exemption Policy

1. A licensee may request an exemption from toxicology testing if all of the following conditions have been met:
   a. Vacations:
      i. The request must be made at least 14 calendar days prior to time requested. Requests not made 14 calendar days in advance will not be considered.
      ii. The licensee must give the Oregon Board of Pharmacy (Board) and the testing entity the dates requested, and the city, state and zip code of where the licensee will be staying. Board may request a copy of the licensee’s itinerary or proof of travel.
      iii. The request must be for travel in an area where calling the testing entity is not possible and/or a collection site is not available.
      iv. The licensee must have been on probation for a minimum of 9 months.
      v. The licensee must have a record of compliance with his/her probation.
      vi. The licensee will be required to have a toxicology test upon return from testing exemption.
      vii. The Compliance Director or Chief Investigator must approve request in writing.
   b. Emergencies (may include but are not limited to hospitalizations and funeral leave):
      i. The 14 day notification requirement will be waived.
      ii. Notification must be received by Board as soon as reasonably practical.
      iii. The Compliance Director or Chief Investigator must approve request.
      iv. As soon as reasonably practical, toxicology testing will resume.
      v. Documentation must be received by the Board within 3 days of conclusion of emergency period.

2. A licensee may request an exemption for a maximum of 14 calendar days within a single calendar year (January 1 – December 31).

3. If a testing exemption is not approved, then the standard vacation policy applies as follows:
   a. The licensee may travel to a location where the licensee is able to call the testing entity on a daily basis.
   b. The licensee must make a request for collection sites at least 14 calendar days in advance of the proposed travel.
   c. The licensee needs to give the Board and testing entity the dates of travel, and the city, state and zip code of where the licensee will be staying.
   d. A collection site will be provided to the licensee by the testing entity.

4. The testing entity check-in hours are from 5:00am-2:00pm Pacific Time. If the testing entity is contacted prior to 5:00am or after 2:00pm, the licensee will NOT receive their individualized testing message; rather a message will inform each licensee that they’ve contacted the testing entity outside the hours of operation.

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