

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 5

REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

THE PHARMACY BOARD ACT, CHAP. 29:52

REGULATIONS

MADE BY THE MINISTER AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE COUNCIL OF THE  
PHARMACY BOARD UNDER SECTION 40 OF THE PHARMACY BOARD ACT

THE PHARMACY BOARD (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 1998

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Pharmacy Board Citation  
(Amendment) Regulations, 1998.

2. In these Regulations—

“the Regulations” means the Pharmacy Board Regulations,  
1987;

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“Inspector” means any public officer designated to inspect  
premises for the purpose of these Regulations.

3. The Regulations are amended by deleting regulation 24 and by  
substituting the following regulations: Regulation 24  
amended

“Licence to  
shopkeeper to  
sell Second  
Schedule  
drugs and  
devices

24. (1) The Minister shall cause the premises of a  
shopkeeper who is applying for the first time for a  
licence to sell drugs and devices listed in the Second  
Schedule to be inspected prior to the grant of the  
licence.

(2) A licence under section 31 of the Act  
authorising a shopkeeper to sell drugs and devices listed  
in the Second Schedule, may only be granted where the  
shopkeeper satisfies the following conditions, namely  
that:

- (a) the floor, walls and ceiling of the premises in  
which the items are to be sold, shall be in a  
satisfactory condition;
- (b) the items shall be stored on racks or shelves  
placed not less than sixty centimetres above the  
floor and thirty centimetres from the ceiling;
- (c) drugs for external use shall be stored separately  
from drugs for internal use;

(d) all drugs shall be stored in a cool, dry area which is—

- (i) well lit and ventilated;
- (ii) free from pests and rodents;
- (iii) secured from heat, moisture and direct sunlight;
- (iv) separate from food, liquor and poisonous substances;

(e) all drugs are so placed as to be out of the reach of children.

(3) The Minister shall inform the applicant in writing, thirty working days after inspection, whether the premises have been approved for the purpose for which the licence is to be granted.

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(4) Every licence issued under section 31 of the Act shall be subject to the condition that the shopkeeper will comply with the provisions of these Regulations and the provisions of the Food and Drugs Act and regulations made thereunder, where applicable.

(5) A licence shall be valid for a period of twelve months from the date of issue and may be renewed one month before the expiry date.

(6) A licensee shall display to the public in a conspicuous part of the shop, the licence for the current year and a copy of the Second Schedule.

Inspections  
by the  
Ministry of  
Health

24A. (1) Subject to subsection (2), where a person applies for a licence to sell any drugs or devices listed in the Second Schedule, an inspector may at any reasonable time, enter the premises where such drugs or devices are to be sold for the purpose of determining whether those premises are fit for such use.

(2) Subsection (1) does not preclude the inspector from visiting the licensed premises at any other reasonable time in order to determine that the requirements of these regulations are being maintained.

(3) The owner or person in charge of the premises and every person found therein, shall give the inspector all reasonable assistance within their power and furnish him with such information as he may reasonably require.

Packaging,  
labelling of  
drugs and  
devices

24B. (1) Drugs and devices as originally packed by the manufacturer, shall not be divided, subdivided, or otherwise broken, for the purpose of repackaging in larger or smaller quantities for sale.

(2) Labels shall be affixed to drugs and devices with the following information in the English language:

- (a) international non-proprietary names or brand name of the drug;
- (b) name and address of manufacturer;
- (c) words of caution where applicable;
- (d) dosage form and strength;
- (e) contra indications;
- (f) expiry date of drug.

Invoices and  
bills to be  
retained

24C. All invoices or bills shall be retained by the distributor or manufacturer and the licensee for a period of not less than two years and shall be made available for inspection from time to time.

Offences,  
revocation of  
or refusal to  
renew a  
licence

24D. (1) A person who contravenes the provisions of regulations 24(6), 24B and 24C commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of one thousand dollars and imprisonment for six months.

(2) Notwithstanding subregulation (1), the Minister may revoke or refuse to renew a licence where a licensee contravenes any of the provisions of the Act or of the Regulations.”.

Made this 28th day of December, 1998.

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