

(c) By March 2, 2008, any person who is hired as a pharmacy technician who is not registered with the Board shall be designated a pharmacy technician applicant. A person may only be considered a pharmacy technician applicant one time and only for a maximum of 180 consecutive days. During the first 10 days of employment, the pharmacy technician applicant shall file an application with the Board to begin the pharmacy technician registration process. The applicant shall retain proof of filing the application until he or she receives his or her registration. If at the conclusion of the 180 day period, the pharmacy technician applicant has not completed the pharmacy technician registration process, consistent with (a) above, the applicant shall cease performing pharmacy technician functions in the pharmacy.

(d) All persons who are employed as pharmacy technicians on September 4, 2007 shall be registered with the Board by March 2, 2008. Such persons shall satisfy the requirements set forth in (a) above, except that such persons shall be exempt from satisfying the requirement established in (a)2 above. Such persons shall present proof of employment to the Board which establishes that they have been practicing as pharmacy technicians prior to September 4, 2007.

(e) If an applicant for registration as a pharmacy technician is being investigated for any alleged violation of the New Jersey Pharmacy Practice Act, N.J.S.A. 45:14-1 et seq., or the pharmacy laws, rules or regulations of any other jurisdiction, the Board in its discretion may deny the applicant the opportunity to register as a pharmacy technician.

(f) A pharmacy shall not employ as a pharmacy technician applicant any person who was previously employed as a pharmacy technician applicant at a pharmacy in the State and who failed to complete the pharmacy technician registration process or any person who has been the subject of disciplinary action by the Board.

New Rule, R.2007 d.238, effective September 4, 2007.
See: 38 N.J.R. 3137(a), 39 N.J.R. 3774(b).

Former N.J.A.C. 13:39-6.6, Pharmacy technicians, recodified to N.J.A.C. 13:39-6.15.

13:39-6.7 Authorization to practice as a pharmacy technician; display of registration

(a) An applicant for registration as a pharmacy technician who has successfully satisfied all Board requirements for registration and has been approved by the Board to be registered shall, upon payment of the initial registration fee set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:39-1.3, receive an authorization signed by the Executive Director of the Board granting the applicant the right to practice as a pharmacy technician in the State of New Jersey until such time as an initial registration may be issued. The registrant shall maintain such authorization on his or her person at all times while engaging in the practice of pharmacy as a pharmacy technician until the initial registration is issued.

(b) Upon issuance, the current biennial renewal registration shall be conspicuously displayed in the registered pharmacy technician's principal place of employment.

(c) A registered pharmacy technician who is employed by more than one licensed pharmacy in the State shall maintain the wallet-sized registration issued by the Board on his or her person when he or she is working at a location where his or her current biennial renewal registration is not on display.

New Rule, R.2007 d.283, effective September 4, 2007.
See: 38 N.J.R. 3137(a), 39 N.J.R. 3774(b).

13:39-6.8 Replacement of technician registration

A replacement initial registration or renewal registration shall be issued by the Board upon payment of a fee as prescribed in N.J.A.C. 13:39-1.3 and upon submission of proof of the applicant's identity and reasonable proof of the loss or destruction of the initial registration or renewal registration, or upon return of the damaged initial registration or renewal registration to the Board.

New Rule, R.2007 d.283, effective September 4, 2007.
See: 38 N.J.R. 3137(a), 39 N.J.R. 3774(b).

13:39-6.9 Technician change of name

If a registered pharmacy technician legally changes the name under which he or she has been practicing as a pharmacy technician, the pharmacy technician shall notify the Board within 30 days of such change. The registered pharmacy technician shall submit original proof of the change of name or a certified copy of the court order or marriage certificate which shall be retained by the Board. When a replacement registration is issued, the initial registration shall be returned for cancellation and the pharmacy technician shall remit the required fee as prescribed in N.J.A.C. 13:39-1.3.

New Rule, R.2007 d.283, effective September 4, 2007.
See: 38 N.J.R. 3137(a), 39 N.J.R. 3774(b).

13:39-6.10 Technician change of address of record; service of process

(a) A registered pharmacy technician shall notify the Board in writing of any change in his or her address of record within 30 days of such change.

(b) Failure to notify the Board of any change in a registered pharmacy technician's address of record pursuant to (a) above may result in disciplinary action in accordance with N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h) and N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.3, and the imposition of penalties set forth in N.J.S.A. 45:1-25.

(c) Service of any administrative complaint or other Board-initiated process at a registered pharmacy technician's address of record shall be deemed adequate notice for the purposes of N.J.A.C. 1:1-7.1 and the commencement of any disciplinary proceedings.

New Rule, R.2007 d.283, effective September 4, 2007.
See: 38 N.J.R. 3137(a), 39 N.J.R. 3774(b).

13:39-6.11 Verification of technician registration

A verification that the registration of a pharmacy technician is in good standing shall be supplied by the Board upon written request and upon payment of the fee set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:39-1.3.

New Rule, R.2007 d.283, effective September 4, 2007.
See: 38 N.J.R. 3137(a), 39 N.J.R. 3774(b).

13:39-6.12 Reproduction of technician registration prohibited

The initial registration, biennial registration or wallet-sized registration issued by the Board to any pharmacy technician shall not be reprinted, photographed, photostated, duplicated or reproduced by any other means either in whole or in part, except as provided in N.J.A.C. 13:39-6.8.

New Rule, R.2007 d.283, effective September 4, 2007.
See: 38 N.J.R. 3137(a), 39 N.J.R. 3774(b).

13:39-6.13 Biennial technician registration renewal; administrative suspension

(a) A pharmacy technician shall renew his or her registration for a period of two years from the last expiration date. The pharmacy technician shall submit a renewal application to the Board, along with the renewal fee set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:39-1.3, prior to the date of registration expiration. A pharmacy technician who submits a renewal application within 30 days following the date of registration expiration shall submit the renewal fee, as well as the late fee set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:39-1.3. A pharmacy technician who fails to submit a renewal application within 30 days of registration expiration shall have his or her registration suspended without a hearing. Such suspension shall be deemed an administrative suspension.

(b) A pharmacy technician who continues to perform the functions of a pharmacy technician with a suspended registration shall be deemed to be engaging in unauthorized practice as a pharmacy technician and shall be subject to the penalties set forth in N.J.S.A. 45:1-25 et seq.

(c) The Board shall send a notice of renewal to each pharmacy technician, at least 60 days prior to the expiration of his or her registration. If the notice to renew is not sent 60 days prior to the expiration date, no monetary penalty or fines shall apply to the pharmacy technician for any unauthorized practice during the period following the registration expiration, not to exceed the number of days short of 60 before the renewal was issued.

New Rule, R.2007 d.283, effective September 4, 2007.
See: 38 N.J.R. 3137(a), 39 N.J.R. 3774(b).

13:39-6.14 Reinstatement from administrative and disciplinary suspensions of a pharmacy technician's registration

(a) A pharmacy technician who has had his or her registration administratively suspended pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:39-6.13 may apply to the Board for reinstatement following the date of registration expiration. A pharmacy technician applying for reinstatement shall submit:

1. A reinstatement application, including an affidavit of employment listing each job held during the period of registration suspension, including the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of each employer;
2. All past due renewal fees set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:39-1.3;
3. A reinstatement fee set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:39-1.3; and
4. Any outstanding penalties imposed by the Board.

(b) A pharmacy technician who has had his or her registration suspended pursuant to disciplinary action taken by the Board may apply to the Board for reinstatement of his or her registration at the conclusion of the suspension period. A pharmacy technician applying for reinstatement from a disciplinary suspension shall submit:

1. A renewal application, including an affidavit of employment listing each job held during the period of registration suspension, including the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of each employer;
2. A reinstatement fee set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:39-1.3;
3. The applicable renewal fee(s) set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:39-1.3; and
4. Evidence of having met all conditions imposed by the Board pursuant to the disciplinary and/or reinstatement order(s).

New Rule, R.2007 d.283, effective September 4, 2007.
See: 38 N.J.R. 3137(a), 39 N.J.R. 3774(b).

13:39-6.15 Pharmacy technician duties and pharmacist-technician ratios

(a) In addition to externs and interns, only pharmacy technicians and pharmacy technician applicants may assist the registered pharmacist in performing the following tasks:

1. Retrieval of prescription files, patient files and profiles and other such records pertaining to the practice of pharmacy;
2. Data entry;
3. Label preparation; and