ADOPTED REGULATION OF THE

STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

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EXPLANATION - Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: NRS 639.070.

Section 1. NAC 639.525 is hereby amended to read as follows:

639.525 The prescription department in each licensed pharmacy must contain the following minimum work area and equipment for the compounding and dispensing of drugs:

- 1. A prescription counter on which to work, with a free working surface of not less than [18 inches in width and not less than 12 square feet in area, with a length of working surface of not less than 8 feet.] 3 feet in width and 2 feet in depth for each person who is compounding or dispensing drugs within the prescription department, including, without limitation, each registered pharmacist and pharmaceutical technician who is compounding or dispensing drugs within the prescription department. This working surface must be reserved for and restricted solely to the compounding and dispensing of drugs.
- 2. A free floor space behind the prescription counter that is not less than 8 feet in length and [3] 4 feet in width.

3. A refrigerator that is equipped with a thermometer to ensure proper control of

temperature, a sink that is suitable for cleaning the required pharmaceutical equipment and

is supplied with hot and cold running water, soap and detergent, and a clean and sanitary

disposal container for wastes.

4. If the pharmacy compounds prescriptions that require the measurement of weight,

scales and balances for medium and light weighing, at least one of which must be sensitive

to 1/2 grain, with weights, including, without limitation, apothecary and avoirdupois, from

1/2 grain to 4 ounces and from 0.02 gm to 100 gm.

5. If the pharmacy prepares sterile products, a laminar airflow hood that is certified at

least annually.

6. Capsule and tablet counters and other devices and equipment necessary to

compound and dispense drugs.

- 7. A facsimile machine that:
- (a) Uses paper of such quality; and
- (b) Prints in such a manner,

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that documents printed by the machine are usable and readable for at least 2 years.