

# PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

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## WORKSHOP FOR REFRIGERATOR LOG Revised From Workshop Held March 4, 2010

**NAC 639.525 Minimum requirements for work area and equipment.** (NRS 639.070) 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 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 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,

↳ that documents printed by the machine are usable and readable for at least 2 years. As used in this subsection, "facsimile machine" includes, without limitation, a computer that has a facsimile modem through which documents can be sent and received.

***8. A record will be used to record the refrigerator and freezer temperature twice daily. The temperature of the refrigerator should be between 36 and 46 degrees Fahrenheit. The temperature of the freezer should be below 32 degrees Fahrenheit. Readings outside this range should be documented with actions documented and initialed by the person who noted the reading outside the range and the person who took corrective action to address the situation. If a reading outside the temperature range is noted a pharmacist must inspect the contents of the refrigerator or freezer to determine if the contents are safe for use or need to be discarded.***