



## **Licensure and Registration Rules – Five Year Review**

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The Ohio Board of Pharmacy is required to review its administrative rules every five years to determine if any changes are necessary. The licensing and registration rules included in this document are up for review starting in 2026.

Comments on the proposed rules will be accepted until the close of business on **Friday, September 24, 2025**. Please send all comments to the following email address:  
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**Rule 4729:3-2-01 | Registration procedures. (AMEND)**

(A) An applicant for registration as a pharmacy technician trainee shall:

- (1) Comply with all requirements set forth in section [4729.92](#) of the Revised Code.
- (2) Comply with the criminal records check requirements pursuant to rule [4729:3-2-02](#) of the Administrative Code.
- (3) Submit a complete application for registration, in a manner determined by the board, that includes:

(a) The required application fee **established in section 4729.921 of the Revised Code of twenty-five dollars**, including any transaction fee as required by section [125.18](#) of the Revised Code.

(b) **Except as provided in paragraph (A)(3)(c), d** documentation, as specified by the board, that the applicant meets **both of** the following requirements:

(i) Has a high school diploma, a certificate of high school equivalence, a foreign school diploma that is equivalent to a U.S. high school diploma or has been employed continuously since prior to April 8, 2009, as a pharmacy technician without a high school diploma or certificate of high school equivalence; **and**

(ii) Is at least **eighteen seventeen** years of age.

(c) Notwithstanding the requirements of paragraph (A)(3)(b) of this rule, the board may register as a pharmacy technician trainee an applicant who is seventeen or eighteen years of age and does not possess a high school diploma or certificate of high school equivalence if the applicant is enrolled in a career-technical school program that is approved by the board and conducted by a city, exempted village, local, or joint vocational school district.

(d) Any additional information or documentation as determined by the board.

(4) A pharmacy technician trainee licensed or registered in another state may apply for registration by reciprocity by complying with the requirements listed in paragraphs (A)(1) to (A)(3) of this rule.

(B) An applicant for registration as a registered pharmacy technician shall:

- (1) Comply with all requirements set forth in section [4729.90](#) of the Revised Code.
- (2) Comply with either of the following:

(a) Have completed an approved training program pursuant to rule [4729:3-3-02](#) of the Administrative Code; or

(b) Hold a pharmacy technician registration or license issued by another state and have actively worked as a pharmacy technician for at least one year within the previous five years of application.

(3) Comply with the criminal records check requirements pursuant to rule [4729:3-2-02](#) of the Administrative Code.

(4) Submit a complete application for registration, in a manner determined by the board, that includes:

(a) The required application fee **established in section 4729.901 of the Revised Code of fifty dollars**, including any transaction fee as required by section [125.18](#) of the Revised Code;

(b) Except for applicants currently registered as pharmacy technician trainees, documentation, as specified by the board, that the applicant meets the following requirements:

(i) Has a high school diploma, a certificate of high school equivalence, a foreign school diploma that is equivalent to a U.S. high school diploma or has been employed continuously since prior to April 8, 2009, as a pharmacy technician without a high school diploma or certificate of high school equivalence;

(ii) Is at least eighteen years of age; and

(iii) If the applicant has a foreign school diploma that is equivalent to a U.S. high school diploma, the applicant shall submit evidence of successful completion of the "Test of English as a Foreign Language, Internet-based test" (TOEFL iBT) pursuant to rule [4729:3-2-05](#) of the Administrative Code.

(c) Paragraph (B)(4)(b)(iii) of this rule shall not apply if the applicant complies with any of the following:

(i) Submits a diploma or transcript demonstrating completion of an associate degree or higher from an accredited college, junior college, community college, or university in the United States.

(ii) Submits verification of active professional license or registration issued under the following chapters of the Revised Code: 4715., 4723., 4725., 4729., 4730., 4731., 4732., 4734., 4741., 4744., 4753., 4755., 4757., 4759., 4760., 4761., 4762., 4774., 4778., 4779., 4783.

(iii) Submits verification of an active professional license or registration from another state that permits the applicant to engage in the same profession, occupation, or occupational activity as any license or registration issued by an agency listed in paragraph (B)(4)(c)(ii) of this rule.

(iv) Submits an attestation signed by the responsible person, or the equivalent in the state where the technician is registered, of the pharmacy where the technician is actively employed or was employed in the five years prior to the date of submission of an application. The responsible person must complete the required attestation form provided by the board and attest to their personal observation that the technician applicant demonstrates the required proficiency (reading, listening, speaking, and writing) in the english language to practice safely and effectively as a registered pharmacy technician.

(v) Submits documentation of any other board approved method for demonstrating english language proficiency.

(d) Any of the following documentation:

(i) An attestation, certificate of completion, or other board approved documentation that the applicant has successfully completed an approved training program in accordance with rule [4729:3-3-02](#) of the Administrative Code.

(ii) Documentation, as determined by the board, demonstrating compliance with the reciprocity requirements of paragraph (B)(2)(b) of this rule.

(e) Any additional information or documentation as determined by the board.

(C) An applicant for registration as a certified pharmacy technician shall:

(1) Comply with all requirements set forth in section [4729.90](#) of the Revised Code.

(2) Comply with either of the following:

(a) Have completed an approved training program pursuant to rule [4729:3-3-02](#) of the Administrative Code;

(b) Hold a pharmacy technician registration or license issued by another state and have actively worked as a pharmacy technician for at least one year within the previous five years of application; or

(c) Holds a current pharmacy technician certification from an organization that has been recognized by the board for at least two years immediately preceding the date the application is submitted and has been actively practicing as a pharmacy technician in a state that does

not issue a pharmacy technician license or registration for at least two of the five years immediately preceding the date the application is submitted.

(3) Comply with the criminal records check requirements pursuant to rule [4729:3-2-02](#) of the Administrative Code.

(4) Submit a complete application for registration, in a manner determined by the board, that includes:

(a) The required application fee **established in section 4729.901 of the Revised Code of fifty dollars**, including any transaction fee as required by section [125.18](#) of the Revised Code, except as provided in rule [4729:3-2-03](#) of the Administrative Code;

(b) Documentation, as specified by the board, that the applicant has a current pharmacy technician certification from an organization that has been recognized by the board.

(c) Except for applicants currently registered as pharmacy technician trainees, documentation, as specified by the board, that the applicant meets the following requirements:

(i) Has a high school diploma, a certificate of high school equivalence or a foreign school diploma that is equivalent to a U.S. high school diploma;

(ii) Is at least eighteen years of age; and

(iii) If the applicant has a foreign school diploma that is equivalent to a U.S. high school diploma, the applicant shall submit evidence of successful completion of the "Test of English as a Foreign Language, Internet-based test" (TOEFL iBT) pursuant to rule [4729:3-2-05](#) of the Administrative Code.

(d) Paragraph (C)(4)(c)(iii) of this rule shall not apply if the applicant complies with either of the following:

(i) Submits a diploma or transcript demonstrating completion of an associate degree or higher from an accredited college, junior college, community college or university in the United States.

(ii) Submits verification of active professional license or registration issued under the following chapters of the Revised Code: 4715., 4723., 4725., 4729., 4730., 4731., 4732., 4734., 4741., 4744., 4753., 4755., 4757., 4759., 4760., 4761., 4762., 4774., 4778., 4779., 4783.

(iii) Submits verification of an active professional license or registration from another state that permits the applicant to engage in the same profession, occupation, or occupational

activity as any license or registration issued by an agency listed in paragraph (C)(4)(d)(ii) of this rule.

(iv) Submits an attestation signed by the responsible person, or the equivalent in the state where the technician is registered, of the pharmacy where the technician is actively employed or was employed in the five years prior to the date of submission of an application. The responsible person must complete the required attestation form provided by the board and attest to their personal observation that the technician applicant demonstrates the required proficiency (reading, listening, speaking, and writing) in the english language to practice safely and effectively as a certified pharmacy technician.

(v) Submits documentation of any other board approved method for demonstrating english language proficiency.

(e) Any of the following documentation:

(i) An attestation, certificate of completion, or other board approved documentation that the applicant has successfully completed an approved training program in accordance rule [4729:3-3-02](#) of the Administrative Code.

(ii) Documentation, as determined by the board, demonstrating compliance with the reciprocity requirements of paragraphs (C)(2)(b) and (C)(2)(c) of this rule.

(f) Any additional information or documentation as determined by the board.

(D) Pursuant to section [4729.921](#) of the Revised Code, a registration for a pharmacy technician trainee is valid for eighteen months from the date of issuance.

(E) A pharmacy technician trainee that fails to meet the education and training requirements during the trainee's initial registration period, may apply for reinstatement of their registration by submitting an application and ~~required~~ fee as required by paragraph (A) of this rule. **Only one reinstatement shall be granted, but an individual may reapply for registration if the individual's previous registration has lapsed for more than five years or the board grants its approval.**

(F) Pursuant to section [4729.96](#) of the Revised Code, a limited or restricted registration may be issued to an applicant upon the determination of the board.

(G) An initial registration for a registered pharmacy technician and certified pharmacy technician is valid until the renewal date set forth in rule [4729:3-2-03](#) of the Administrative Code.

(H) Failure to complete all application requirements within thirty days after being notified by the board may result in the application being deemed abandoned as defined in rule [4729:3-1-01](#) of the Administrative Code.

(I) Registration fees for veterans shall be waived upon submission of the appropriate documentation. Documentation required to obtain a fee waiver will be published on the state board of pharmacy's web site: [www.pharmacy.ohio.gov](http://www.pharmacy.ohio.gov).

**Rule 4729:1-2-09 | Expedited pharmacist licensure for members of the military and spouses who are licensed in another jurisdiction. (AMEND)**

(A) As used in this rule:

(1) "Military duty" has the same meaning as in section [4743.041](#) of the Revised Code.

(2) "In good standing" means an applicant to which both the following apply:

(a) Has not been denied a license, registration or certificate by any public agency or licensing agency; and

(b) Does not have a license, registration, or certificate limited, suspended, or revoked by any public agency or licensing agency.

(B) To meet the requirements set forth in section [4743.041](#) of the Revised Code, the state board of pharmacy shall issue an expedited license to a pharmacist applicant if the individual or the individual's spouse is on military duty in this state and the applicant complies with all the following:

(1) The individual holds a valid license or other authorization to practice as a pharmacist issued by any other state or jurisdiction. Certification of these credentials shall be filed on forms provided by the national association of boards of pharmacy (NABP) or similar forms recognized and approved by the board.

(2) The individual shall be in good standing in the state or jurisdiction of licensure.

(3) The individual presents adequate proof to the board, in accordance with paragraph (G) of this rule, that the individual or the individual's spouse is on military duty in this state.

(4) The individual complies with sections [4776.01](#) to 4776.04 of the Revised Code. An applicant shall submit fingerprint impressions for a criminal records check in accordance with rule [4729:1-2-05](#) of the Administrative Code.

(C) The board shall, within twenty-four hours after receiving the report under division (A) of section [4776.04](#) of the Revised Code, notify an individual applying for an expedited license in accordance with this rule that the board has received the results of a criminal records check.

(D) The board shall issue an expedited pharmacist license under this rule, provided that the applicant meets the requirements of this rule, within fourteen days of having received the results of a criminal records check. The board shall not be required to issue an expedited license if any of the following apply:

- (1) The applicant fails to meet the application requirements set forth in this rule or section [4743.041](#) of the Revised Code.
- (2) The applicant is under investigation by the licensing agency of any other state or jurisdiction.
- (3) The applicant is in violation of any provision section [4729.16](#) of the Revised Code or rules adopted thereunder.

(E) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Revised Code or Administrative Code, the board shall waive or refund all fees associated with the issuance of an initial expedited license issued under this rule. Additional fee waivers or refunds shall be granted in accordance with other provisions of the Revised Code, Administrative Code, and board resolution.

(F) All licenses issued pursuant to this rule shall comply with the licensure renewal requirements set forth in Chapter 4729:1-2 of the Administrative Code.

(G) Pursuant to section [5903.04](#) of the Revised Code:

(1) A pharmacist shall submit proper documentation necessary to determine if the applicant is a service member or veteran, or the spouse or surviving spouse of a service member or veteran. Documentation requirements shall be published on the state board of pharmacy's website: [www.pharmacy.ohio.gov](http://www.pharmacy.ohio.gov).

(2) The board's executive director or the director's designee shall design a process to record, track, and monitor applications that have been received from a service member, veteran, or the spouse or surviving spouse of a service member or veteran.

(3) The board's executive director or the director's designee shall design a process to prioritize and expedite certification or licensing for each applicant who is a service member, veteran, or the spouse or a surviving spouse of a service member or veteran.

**Rule 4729:1-2-10 | Emeritus pharmacists. (NO CHANGE)**

(A) As used in this rule:

(1) "Emeritus pharmacist" means an individual who meets all the following:

(a) Is currently or has been licensed to practice pharmacy in this state for at least ten years;

(b) Is retired from the practice of pharmacy;

(c) Is in good standing;

(d) Is at least sixty years old; and

(e) Has applied for an emeritus designation in accordance with this rule.

(2) "In good standing" means a pharmacist to which all the following apply at the time of application:

(a) Does not have a board order restricting the privilege of supervising interns;

(b) Has not been denied a license, registration or certificate by any public agency or licensing agency;

(c) Does not have a license, registration or certificate limited, suspended, or revoked by any public agency or licensing agency.

(B) Any person that meets the requirements in paragraph (A)(1) of this rule may apply to the board for emeritus designation.

(C) To apply for emeritus designation, a pharmacist shall submit a form containing information as required by the board and in a manner determined by the board.

(D) There shall be no fee associated with applying for or maintaining an emeritus designation.

(E) The emeritus designation is not a license to engage in the practice of pharmacy.

(1) Emeritus pharmacists shall not engage in the practice of pharmacy.

(2) Upon issuance of an emeritus designation, a license authorizing the person to practice pharmacy shall be considered void and may only be renewed or reinstated in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 4729. of the Revised Code and this chapter of the Administrative Code.

(F) The continuing education requirements of Chapter 4729:1-5 of the Administrative Code are not applicable to an emeritus pharmacist.

(G) An emeritus pharmacist shall not be subject to the licensure renewal requirements or renewal fees pursuant to this chapter.

(H) The board may refuse to issue or may revoke an emeritus designation for acts or conduct that are in violation of any provision of Chapters 4729., 3719., 3796., 3715., and 2925. of the Revised Code or Chapter 4729:1-4 of the Administrative Code. The decision to refuse to issue or revoke an emeritus designation is not subject to hearing rights or appeal under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

**Rule 4729:2-2-11 | Expedited pharmacy intern licensure for members of the military and spouses who are licensed in another jurisdiction. (AMEND)**

(A) As used in this rule:

(1) "Military duty" has the same meaning as in section [4743.041](#) of the Revised Code.

(2) "In good standing" means an applicant to which both the following apply:

(a) Has not been denied a license, registration, or certificate by any public agency or licensing agency; and

(b) Does not have a license, registration or certificate limited, suspended, or revoked by any public agency or licensing agency.

(B) To meet the requirements set forth in section [4743.041](#) of the Revised Code, the state board of pharmacy shall issue an expedited license to a pharmacy intern applicant if the individual or the individual's spouse is on military duty in this state and the applicant complies with all the following:

(1) The individual holds a valid license or other authorization to practice as a pharmacy intern issued by any other state or jurisdiction.

(2) The individual shall be in good standing in the state or jurisdiction of licensure.

(3) The individual complies with application requirements set forth in rule [4729:2-2-01](#) of the Administrative Code.

(4) The individual presents adequate proof to the board, in accordance with paragraph (G) of this rule, that the individual or the individual's spouse is on military duty in this state.

(5) The individual complies with sections [4776.01](#) to [4776.04](#) of the Revised Code. An applicant shall submit fingerprint impressions for a criminal records check in accordance with rule [4729:2-2-03](#) of the Administrative Code.

(C) The board shall, within twenty-four hours after receiving the report under division (A) of section [4776.04](#) of the Revised Code, notify an individual applying for an expedited license in accordance with this rule that the board has received the results of a criminal records check.

(D) The board shall issue an expedited pharmacy intern license under this rule, provided that the applicant meets the requirements of this rule, within fourteen days of having received the results of a criminal records check. The board shall not be required to issue an expedited license if any of the following apply:

- (1) The applicant fails to meet the application requirements set forth in this rule or section [4743.041](#) of the Revised Code.
- (2) The applicant is under investigation by the licensing agency of any other state or jurisdiction.
- (3) The applicant is in violation of any provision section [4729.16](#) of the Revised Code or rules adopted thereunder.

(E) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Revised Code or Administrative Code, the board shall waive or refund all fees associated with the issuance of an initial expedited license issued under this rule. Additional fee waivers or refunds shall be granted in accordance with other provisions of the Revised Code, Administrative Code, and board resolution.

(F) All licenses issued pursuant to this rule shall comply with the licensure renewal requirements set forth in Chapter 4729:2-2 of the Administrative Code.

(G) Pursuant to section [5903.04](#) of the Revised Code:

- (1) A pharmacy intern shall submit proper documentation necessary to determine if the applicant is a service member or veteran, or the spouse or surviving spouse of a service member or veteran. Documentation requirements shall be published on the state board of pharmacy's website: [www.pharmacy.ohio.gov](http://www.pharmacy.ohio.gov).
- (2) The board's executive director or the director's designee shall design a process to record, track, and monitor applications that have been received from a service member, veteran, or the spouse or surviving spouse of a service member or veteran.
- (3) The board's executive director or the director's designee shall design a process to prioritize and expedite certification or licensing for each applicant who is a service member, veteran, or the spouse or a surviving spouse of a service member or veteran.

**Rule 4729:3-2-04 | Change of name, contact information, and place of employment.  
(AMEND)**

(A) An individual registered pursuant to this division who has a legal change of name, shall notify the board of pharmacy within thirty days from the effective date of such change. Such notification of a name change shall be accompanied by one of the following:

(1) A notarized affidavit;

(2) A certified copy of a court record; ~~or~~

(3) A certified copy of a marriage certificate;

**(4) A government-issued identification card which reflects the registrant's name change;  
or**

**(5) Any other documentation as approved by the board.**

(B) An individual registered pursuant to this division who changes their mailing or email address shall notify the board of pharmacy, **in a manner determined by the board,** of the new address within thirty days after the effective date of such change.

(C) An individual registered pursuant to this division who changes their place of employment shall notify the board of pharmacy, **in a manner determined by the board,** of the address of the principal place where they practice as a pharmacy technician trainee, registered pharmacy technician, or certified pharmacy technician within thirty days after they have commenced employment.

**Rule 4729:3-2-05 | Successful completion of the "Test of English as a Foreign Language Internet-based Test". (NO CHANGE)**

Successful completion of the "Test of English as a Foreign Language, Internet-based test" (TOEFL iBT) shall be the following minimum scores or higher:

- (A) Writing: fourteen;
- (B) Speaking: twenty;
- (C) Listening: seventeen; and
- (D) Reading: eighteen.

**Rule 4729:3-2-06 | Expedited pharmacy technician registration for members of the military and spouses who are licensed or registered in another jurisdiction. (NO CHANGE)**

(A) As used in this rule:

(1) "Military duty" has the same meaning as in section [4743.041](#) of the Revised Code.

(2) "In good standing" means an applicant to which both the following apply:

(a) Has not been denied a license, registration, or certificate by any public agency or licensing agency; and

(b) Does not have a license, registration or certificate limited, suspended, or revoked by any public agency or licensing agency.

(3) "Pharmacy technician" means any of the following registration types issued under Chapter 4729. of the Revised Code:

(a) Certified pharmacy technician;

(b) Registered pharmacy technician; or

(c) Pharmacy technician trainee.

(B) To meet the requirements set forth in section [4743.041](#) of the Revised Code, the state board of pharmacy shall issue an expedited registration to pharmacy technician applicant if the individual or the individual's spouse is on military duty in this state and the applicant complies with all the following:

(1) The individual holds a valid registration or other authorization to practice as a pharmacy technician issued by any other state or jurisdiction.

(2) The individual shall be in good standing in the state or jurisdiction of licensure or registration.

(3) The individual complies with the application requirements set forth in rule [4729:3-2-01](#) of the Administrative Code.

(4) The individual presents adequate proof to the board, in accordance with paragraph (G) of this rule, that the individual or the individual's spouse is on military duty in this state.

(5) The individual complies with sections [4776.01](#) to [4776.04](#) of the Revised Code. An applicant shall submit fingerprint impressions for a criminal records check in accordance with rule [4729:3-2-02](#) of the Administrative Code.

(C) The board shall, within twenty-four hours after receiving the report under division (A) of section [4776.04](#) of the Revised Code, notify an individual applying for an expedited registration in accordance with this rule that the board has received the results of a criminal records check.

(D) The board shall issue an expedited pharmacy technician registration pursuant to this rule, provided that the applicant meets the requirements of this rule, within fourteen days of having received the results of a criminal records check. The board shall not be required to issue an expedited registration if any of the following apply:

(1) The applicant fails to meet the application requirements set forth in this rule or section [4743.041](#) of the Revised Code.

(2) The applicant is under investigation by the licensing agency of any other state or jurisdiction.

(3) The applicant is in violation of any provision section [4729.96](#) of the Revised Code or rules adopted thereunder.

(E) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Revised Code or Administrative Code, the board shall waive or refund all fees associated with the issuance of an initial expedited registration issued under this rule. Additional fee waivers or refunds shall be granted in accordance with other provisions of the Revised Code, Administrative Code, and board resolution.

(F) All registrations issued pursuant to this rule shall comply with the registration renewal requirements set forth in Chapter 4729:3-2 of the Administrative Code.

(G) Pursuant to section [5903.04](#) of the Revised Code:

(1) A pharmacy technician shall submit proper documentation necessary to determine if the applicant is a service member or veteran, or the spouse or surviving spouse of a service member or veteran. Documentation requirements shall be published on the state board of pharmacy's website: [www.pharmacy.ohio.gov](http://www.pharmacy.ohio.gov).

(2) The board's executive director or the director's designee shall design a process to record, track, and monitor applications that have been received from a service member, veteran, or the spouse or surviving spouse of a service member or veteran.

(3) The board's executive director or the director's designee shall design a process to prioritize and expedite certification or licensing for each applicant who is a service member, veteran, or the spouse or a surviving spouse of a service member or veteran.

## **Rule 4729:3-5-01 | Continuing Education - Definitions. (AMEND)**

As used in Chapter 4729:3-5 of the Administrative Code.

- (A) "A.C.P.E." means the accreditation council for pharmacy education.
- (B) "Continuing education unit" or "C.E.U." means ten contact hours of participation in an organized continuing pharmacy education experience presented by an approved provider.
- (C) "Continuing pharmacy education" or "continuing education", as required in section [4729.12](#) of the Revised Code, means post-registration pharmacy education undertaken to maintain professional competency to practice as a pharmacy technician, improve professional skills, and preserve uniform qualifications for continuing the practice of the profession for the purpose of protecting public health and welfare. Continuing pharmacy education may be obtained from any of the following providers:
  - (1) A pharmacy jurisprudence program pursuant to paragraph (D) of this rule;
  - (2) An approved in-state provider of volunteer healthcare services in accordance with section [4745.04](#) of the Revised Code and agency 4729 of the Administrative Code;
  - (3) An A.C.P.E. accredited continuing education provider.
- (D) "One-third of a licensee's continuing education requirement" as used in division (C) of section [4745.04](#) of the Revised Code and paragraph (C) of rule [4729:3-5-02](#) of the Administrative Code, means the total number of required C.E.U.s for licensure renewal divided by three and rounded down to the nearest whole number.
- (E) "Pharmacy jurisprudence" means continuing education the includes any of the following:
  - (1) An A.C.P.E. law program as identified by A.C.P.E numbering convention "03";
  - (2) A board of pharmacy approved continuing education program provided by an in-state approved jurisprudence provider pursuant to ~~agency 4729~~ **Chapter 4729-6** of the Administrative Code that pertains to current or recent changes to laws, rules, and regulations relating to the practice of pharmacy; or
  - (3) A program presented by the state board of pharmacy that pertains to current or recent changes to laws, rules, and regulations relating to the practice of pharmacy.
- (F) "Patient or medication safety" means an A.C.P.E. continuing education program identified by the A.C.P.E. numbering convention "05" that deals with the prevention of healthcare errors and the elimination or mitigation of patient injury caused by healthcare errors.

(G) "Veteran" means anyone who is serving or has served under honorable conditions in any component of the armed forces, including the national guard and reserve.

**Rule 4729:3-5-02 | Continuing Education Requirements for Registered and Certified Technicians. (AMEND)**

(A) As a condition for the renewal of a registration as a registered pharmacy technician, the registrant shall complete a total of ten contact hours (1.0 C.E.U.s) of continuing pharmacy education during the twenty-four months preceding the expiration date of the technician's registration. The continuing pharmacy education shall be in pharmacy technician-specific subject matter and shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(1) Two contact hours (0.2 C.E.U.s) of continuing pharmacy education shall be in the subject of pharmacy jurisprudence (law).

(2) Two contact hours (0.2 C.E.U.s) of continuing pharmacy education shall be in the subject of patient or medication safety.

(B) Paragraph (A) of this rule does not apply to registered pharmacy technicians that obtain an initial registration within six months of the expiration date of the registration.

(C) A registered pharmacy technician may satisfy up to one-third of the technician's continuing education requirements by providing health care services as a volunteer in accordance with section [4745.04](#) of the Revised Code. The location where health care services are provided shall be an approved in-state provider of volunteer healthcare services in accordance with ~~agency 4729~~ **Chapter 4729-6** of the Administrative Code.

(D) Registered pharmacy technicians shall keep all certificates and other documented evidence of participation which have been issued by a non-A.C.P.E. accredited provider for which the pharmacy technician has claimed continuing education units towards renewal of the technician's registration for a period of one year following the year in which evidence was required for renewal.

(1) Documentation, as determined by the state board of pharmacy, shall be submitted only when requested by the board.

(2) The board shall monitor compliance by conducting an audit of registrants.

(3) The board shall require the reporting of continuing education units to a national and/or state register.

(E) As a condition for the renewal of a registration as a certified pharmacy technician, the registrant shall complete all continuing education requirements necessary to maintain the registrant's pharmacy technician certification from an organization that has been recognized by the board.