

PROPOSED STATE RULES

By law, public notice of proposed rules must be given by publication in newspapers of record. The purpose of these notices is to give the public a chance to respond to the proposals. The public notices for administrative rules are now also available online at <https://secure.vermont.gov/SOS/rules/>. The law requires an agency to hold a public hearing on a proposed rule, if requested to do so in writing by 25 persons or an association having at least 25 members.

To make special arrangements for individuals with disabilities or special needs please call or write the contact person listed below as soon as possible.

To obtain further information concerning any scheduled hearing(s), obtain copies of proposed rule(s) or submit comments regarding proposed rule(s), please call or write the contact person listed below. You may also submit comments in writing to the Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules, State House, Montpelier, Vermont 05602 (802-828-2231).

Administrative Rules of the Board of Pharmacy.

Vermont Proposed Rule: 25P001

AGENCY: Board of Pharmacy, Office of Professional Regulation

CONCISE SUMMARY: This update reflects changes in pharmacy's legal and practice landscape since 2015 by regulating, among other things: - new types of pharmacy entity, such as virtual distributors and manufacturers, 503B outsourcers, and third-party logistics providers; - the prescribing of opioids; devices containing prescription drugs; - naloxone dispensing; and - changes to prescriptions for schedule II controlled substances. The rule also reflects statutory changes to pharmacy professionals' scopes of practice, including immunizations, and simplifies the licensing of pharmacy technicians into a single credential instead of the current two-tiered system. The rule creates standards for workplace conditions pharmacy staffing necessary to protect the public. The rule streamlines and narrows the legal duties of Pharmacy Managers, clarifying that licensed pharmacies are themselves responsible for compliance with the Rules.

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Note: The four rules below are being promulgated by the Cannabis Control Board who has requested the notices be combined to facilitate a savings for the board. Please note the title and number of the rule(s) you are interested in when contacting the board.

- Rule 1: Licensing of Cannabis Establishments.
Vermont Proposed Rule: 25P002
- Rule 2: Regulation of Cannabis Establishments.
Vermont Proposed Rule: 25P003
- Rule 3: Medical Cannabis.
Vermont Proposed Rule: 25P004
- Rule 4: Compliance and Enforcement
Vermont Proposed Rule: 25P005

AGENCY: Cannabis Control Board.

CONCISE SUMMARY: This is a comprehensive update to rules governing adult-use cannabis establishments and the medical cannabis system. Amendments to Rule 1 streamline renewal; establish siting requirements for retailers; simplify license changes; provide for tier changes based on performance; require deposit accounts; increase flexibility to address past misconduct by applicants; and retire a cumbersome system of prequalification. Amendments to Rule 2 clarify safety standards and allowable use of the Inventory Tracking System; prohibit consignment; standardize transport manifests; disallow illusory brands; standardize warning symbols; provide for product remediation; provide for curbside transactions; implement propagation cultivator licensing; integrate hemp-derived additives; and prohibit cannabinoids in beverage alcohol. Amendments to Rule 3 provide for retailer medical endorsements and raise standards for medical products. Amendments to Rule 4 create a process for orders concerning adulterated products.

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