201 KAR 2:090. Reference material and prescription equipment.

RELATES TO: KRS Chapter 315
STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 315.035(6), 315.19(1)
NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 315.035(6) authorizes the Board of Pharmacy to promulgate administrative regulations regarding reference material and equipment suitable for pharmaceutical practice. This administrative regulation establishes the minimum reference material and equipment required for pharmaceutical practice.

Section 1. (1) A pharmacy located within the Commonwealth that receives a pharmacy permit shall be required to maintain at least one (1) current reference from each of the following categories:
(a) Category I - Pharmacology;
(b) Category II - Drug Interactions;
(c) Category III - Drug Product Composition; and
(d) Category IV - State and Federal Laws and Regulations.
(2) References shall be relevant to the professional practice of pharmacy at the permitted pharmacy.
(3) Electronic references shall be acceptable if the information is readily retrievable such that the pharmacist is not required to exit the dispensing program to obtain information from the electronic references. The existence of drug information on the Internet and the mere ability of the pharmacist to connect to the Internet shall not be sufficient to meet the requirements of this administrative regulation.

Section 2. (1) The following shall be deemed as minimum equipment required of a pharmacy:
(a) A prescription balance with a sensitivity not less than that of a Class 3 balance;
(b) Weights - metric or apothecary - complete set;
(c) Graduates capable of accurately measuring from 1 ml to 250 ml;
(d) Mortars and pestles - glass, porcelain, or wedgewood;
(e) Spatulas - steel and nonmetallic;
(f) Filtration funnel with filter papers;
(g) A heating unit;
(h) Suitable refrigeration unit for proper storage of drugs; and
(i) Ointment slab or ointment papers.
(2) All equipment shall be maintained in a clean condition.

Section 3. The pharmacy shall have other reference material and equipment as dictated by experience to meet the needs of the particular pharmacy and necessary to compound and dispense in a safe manner.

Section 4. A pharmacy may be granted an exemption to required reference material and prescription equipment upon written petition to the board.

Section 5. The prescription counter upon which prescriptions are dispensed shall be used for the prime purpose of dispensing prescriptions. All pharmacies shall comply with all sanitation laws and administrative regulations. (Rx-10; 1 Ky.R. 147; eff. 12-11-74; Am. 10 Ky.R. 890; eff. 4-13-84; 1444; 1792; eff. 2-7-2002.)