

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO BY-LAW NO. 6

The table below is a summary of the differences between the current by-law of the Ontario College of Pharmacists (the “College”), Version 6B (“By-Law No. 6”) and the proposed new by-law, Version 7 (“By-Law No. 7”). By-Law No. 7 will replace By-Law No. 6 if approved.

In addition to the changes noted in this summary table, in By-Law No. 7:

- a number of section references have been revised to reflect changes due to the deletion or amendment of parts of the by-law; and
- gendered language has been replaced with gender neutral language.

Text in red text and strike through (e.g. X) represents text that is proposed to be deleted.	H = Housekeeping
Text in blue text and underline (e.g. <u>X</u>) represents text that is proposed to be added.	L/R = Legislative/Regulatory
Text in green text and underline (e.g. <u>X</u>) represents text that has been moved within the By-Law.	CI = Change in Intent

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1.1.26 (Definitions)	N/A	Narcotic Signer” means a pharmacist who is designated by a pharmacy to be authorized to sign the documentation required under the Controlled Drug and Substances Act (Canada) or the regulations thereunder in order to obtain narcotics for the pharmacy;	Definition of “Narcotic Signer” has been deleted. The definition of Narcotic Signer was included because details relating to Narcotic Signer status were included in the Register (s. 16.8.12). The College has determined that there is no apparent reason for this information to be posted publicly, other than serving as a convenient offering for licensed dealers, and it is unique to Ontario. It has been recommended that this be removed from the Register because it is not a status that the College administers.	CI
1.2 (Amendments)	1.2 (Amendments)	Whenever reference is made in a By-Law to any statute or regulation, such reference shall be deemed to include any	This addition has been made for clarity, to acknowledge that a statute or regulation could be replaced rather than amended, as was done with the new Pharmacy Act	L/R

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		amendment to such statute or regulation, or any replacement statute or regulation , as may be made from time to time.	Regulations, which will come into effect on October 1, 2024.	
1.4 (Inclusive Language)	1.4 (Interpretation)	<p>Inclusive Language Interpretation</p> <p>When used in a By-Law, unless the context otherwise requires, words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa and the pronouns “they”, “them” and “their” shall denote all genders. The insertion of headings in a By-Law is for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation thereof. Whenever the words “include”, “includes” or “including” are used in a By-Law, such words shall be deemed to be followed by the words “without limitation”. The Board has directed that the wording of these By-Laws be amended to use inclusive language. Work on this change is underway. In the meantime, whenever reference is made in a By-Law to a gendered pronoun (he or she, himself or herself) the terms shall be deemed to include reference to those who identify with neutral, non-binary or other terms.</p>	The previous version of this section was limited to addressing the use of inclusive language. The new provision is a general interpretation clause, common in by-laws, which includes reference to using inclusive language.	H
2.1 (Prescribed Classes of Registration)	N/A	<p>ARTICLE 2 CLASSES OF REGISTRATION</p> <p>2.1 Prescribed Classes of Registration</p> <p>Effective upon Schedule 1 (Drug and Pharmacy Regulations Act) of the Protecting Patients Act being proclaimed into force, all references in this By-Law to “registered pharmacy student” will be deemed to be deleted and replaced with “intern technician”.</p>	This provision has been deleted because the relevant part of Schedule 1 of the <i>Protecting Patients Act</i> (regarding the deletion of “registered pharmacy student” and the addition of “intern technician”) has been proclaimed into force effective October 1, 2024.	L/R

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3.1 (Insurance Requirements for a Certificate of Registration)	2.1 (Insurance Requirements for a Certificate of Registration)	A Registrant who holds a Certificate of Registration as a pharmacist or pharmacy technician, registered pharmacy student, intern or pharmacist listed in Part A of the Register, pharmacist (emergency assignment) , pharmacy technician (emergency assignment) , intern or intern technician , must maintain personal professional liability insurance as follows: [...]	Pursuant to the new Pharmacy Act Regulations there will be a Part A and Part B of the Register for pharmacy technicians (in addition to pharmacists). Like pharmacists, pharmacy technicians in Part B will not be required to maintain professional liability insurance. Additionally, registered pharmacy students will no longer be registrants, but intern technicians will be, and will need to maintain insurance. References to pharmacist (emergency assignment) and pharmacy technician (emergency assignment) have also been added. Registrants in these classes are listed in Part A and require insurance.	L/R
3.1.2 (Definition of Insured Services)	2.1.2 (Definition of Insured Services)	The definition of Insured Services under the policy must include all professional services in the practice of pharmacy the profession as regulated by the College.	Changing the practice of pharmacy to the practice of the profession is consistent with the new Pharmacy Act Regulations. The purpose is to (a) be inclusive of pharmacy technicians, and (b) clarify the meaning of “pharmacy” as a place vs profession.	L/R
5.3 (Renewal of the Board – August 2020)	N/A	Renewal of the Board – August 2020. 5.3.1 Subject to subparagraph 5.3.2, the terms of office of all Elected Directors who are members of the Council as of the date that this By-Law comes into effect (the “Incumbent Elected Directors”) will end on the date of the first meeting of the Board held after the election in August 2020, and seven (7) Elected Directors shall be elected to the Board in accordance with this By-Law at the election in August 2020 for the terms of office set out in paragraph 5.5.	Deletions and amendments have been made to remove transition provisions that were included as part of the reconstituting of the Board in 2020. These transition provisions are not relevant going forward (as they only applied to the election in 2020 / directors elected in 2020).	H

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		<p>5.3.2 Notwithstanding subparagraph 5.3.1, the Board shall select two (2) Incumbent Elected Directors who sit on the Executive Committee as of the date that this By Law comes into effect, who will have their terms of office continue for one (1) year and two (2) years, respectively, following the August 2020 election.</p>		
5.4 (Election Date)	4.3 (Election Date)	<p>An election of Elected Directors will be held on the first Wednesday in August of every year beginning in 2020, for the number of positions on the Board that are then available.</p>	<p>See comments above regarding transition provisions added for the 2020 election, which are not relevant going forward.</p>	H
5.5.1 (Terms of Office – August 2020)	N/A	<p>Terms of Office—August 2020.</p> <p>The terms of office of the seven (7) Elected Directors elected in August 2020 will commence at the first meeting of the Board following the election and end, subject to paragraph 5.11, as follows:</p> <p>5.5.1 the two (2) pharmacists who receive the highest number of votes out of all pharmacist candidates will be elected for a three (3) year term;</p> <p>5.5.2 the pharmacy technician who receives the highest number of votes out of all pharmacy technician candidates will be elected for a three (3) year term;</p> <p>5.5.3 the pharmacy technician who receives the second highest number of votes of all pharmacy technician candidates will be elected for a two (2) year term;</p>	<p>See comments above regarding transition provisions added for the 2020 election, which are not relevant going forward.</p>	H

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		<p>5.5.4 the pharmacist who receives the third highest number of votes out of all pharmacist candidates will be elected for a two (2)-year term;</p> <p>5.5.5 the two (2) pharmacists who receive the fourth and fifth highest number of votes out of all pharmacist candidates will each be elected for a one (1)-year term; and</p> <p>5.5.6 if there is tie among candidates and it is necessary to break the tie to determine who will receive the longer term between the candidates, the Registrar shall break the tie, by lot.</p>		
5.6.1 (Terms of Office – After August 2020)	4.4.1 (Terms of Office)	The term of office of an Elected Director who is elected in each annual election beginning with the August 2021 election will be three (3) years, commencing at the first meeting of the Board after the election.	See comments above regarding transition provisions added for the 2020 election, which are not relevant going forward.	H
5.6.2 (Terms of Office – After August 2020)	4.4.2 (Terms of Office)	No Elected Director who is <u>was</u> first elected in the August <u>November</u> 2020 election or any subsequent election may serve as a Director for more than six (6) consecutive years.	This provision was also first added in connection with amendments made in 2020. Due to the pandemic, the election in 2020 was held in November, rather than August.	H
5.6.3 (Terms of Office – After August 2020)	4.4.3 (Terms of Office)	No Director who is <u>was</u> a member of Council on the date this By-Law comes into effect <u>prior to November 2020</u> may serve for more than nine (9) consecutive years (inclusive of years of service prior to <u>November 2020</u> the date this By-Law comes into effect).	This provision was also first added in connection with amendments made in 2020. This has been anchored to the election at which this maximum term number was introduced, since the “date this By-Law comes into effect” is a moving date.	H

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5.7.1 (Eligibility for Election)	4.5.1 (Eligibility for Election)	<p><u>4.5.1</u> 5.7.1 A Registrant who holds a valid Certificate of Registration as a pharmacist or as a pharmacy technician is eligible to seek to be a candidate for election to the Board if he or she <u>the Registrant</u> meets the following requirements:</p> <p>[...]</p> <p>(d) the Registrant is not a registered pharmacy student or intern;</p> <p><u>(e)</u> (f) The Registrant is not and has not within the three (3) years immediately preceding the election been, an employee, officer or director of a Professional Advocacy Association, except for Associations whose mission, vision and mandate are primarily to mitigate systemic barriers to access to the pharmacy profession for diverse populations, marginalized groups and individuals with disabilities. Additionally, nothing in this clause will prevent a Registrant who serves on an association or organization to which they have been appointed by the Board as a representative of the College, from running for election to be an Elected Director;</p> <p>[...]</p>	<p>Subparagraph (d) in the eligibility criteria has been deleted because it is redundant – interns are not eligible to seek election because only a Registrant who holds a valid Certificate of Registration as a pharmacist or as a pharmacy technician is eligible.</p> <p>Subparagraph (f) (now (e)) has been amended to reflect the change in terminology used in the Pharmacy Act Regulations (from practice of pharmacy to practice of the profession).</p>	H and L/R
5.16.1 (Number of Votes to be Cast)	N/A	<p>In the election to be held in August 2020, each Registrant may vote for up to five (5) pharmacist candidates and up to two (2) pharmacy technician candidates.</p>	<p>See comments above regarding transition provisions added for the 2020 election. This provision is no longer required after the 2020 election.</p>	H

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5.16.2 (Number of Votes to be Cast)	4.14.1	In each annual election beginning in August 2021 , each Registrant may vote for up to the number of pharmacy technician candidates as there are pharmacy technician vacancies on the Board and for up to the number of pharmacist candidates as there are pharmacist vacancies on the Board.	See comments above regarding transition provisions added for the 2020 election, which are not relevant going forward.	H
5.18 (Interruption of Service)	4.16 (Delay of Election)	Interruption of Service <u>Delay of Election.</u>	This heading has been revised to more clearly describe the content of this section.	H
5.18.4 (Interruption of Service)	N/A	In the event of a delay pursuant to subparagraph 5.18.1, the terms of office of the Incumbent Elected Directors selected in accordance with subparagraph 5.3.2 shall be deemed to end as of the first meeting of the Board after the election following which their respective terms would have ended had there not been any delay.	See comments above regarding transition provisions added for the 2020 election, which are not relevant going forward (the cross-referenced provision, s. 5.3.2, has been deleted).	H
6.2.1 (Meetings Held By Technological Means)	5.2.1 (Meetings Held By Technological Means)	If two-thirds of all Directors, or of members of a Committee (as the case requires), who are eligible to vote consent thereto generally or in respect of a particular meeting, and each has adequate access, Directors or members of a Committee may participate in a meeting of, respectively, the Board or of a Committee, by means of such conference telephone or other communications facilities as permits all persons participating in the meeting to hear <u>communicate with each other simultaneously and instantaneously</u> , and a Director or member of a Committee participating in such a meeting by such means is deemed to be present at the meeting.	This change has been made to contemplate instant communication during Board meetings.	H
9.27 (Panels and Quorum of the Drug Preparation	8.27 (Panels and Quorum of the Drug Preparation	8.25 9.25-Composition of the Drug Preparation Premises Committee.	Paragraph 9.27 (now 8.27) was approved by Council in December 2023. In the comparison document, all of 9.27 (now 8.27) is shown as a new insertion, because the consolidated By-Law had not been updated.	H

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Premises Committee)	Premises Committee)	<p>The Drug Preparation Premises Committee shall be composed of the same members as the Accreditation Committee. The chair of the Accreditation Committee shall be the chair of the Drug Preparation Premises Committee.</p> <p>8.26-9.26 Duties of the Drug Preparation Premises Committee.</p> <p>The Drug Preparation Premises Committee shall:</p> <p>8.26-9.26.1 administer and govern the College’s Drug Preparation Premises inspection program in accordance with the <i>Pharmacy Act</i> Regulations; and</p> <p>8.26-9.26.2 deal with any other matters concerning the inspection of Drug Preparation Premises as directed by the Board.</p> <p>8.27-9.27 Panels and Quorum of the Drug Preparation Premises Committee.</p> <p>8.27-9.27.1 A panel shall be selected by the chair of the Drug Preparation Premises Committee from among the members of the Committee to determine the outcome of drug preparation premises inspections pursuant to Part <u>XV of Ontario Regulation 256/24</u> IX of O. Reg. 202/94 under the <i>Pharmacy Act</i>.</p> <p>8.27-9.27.2 A panel shall be composed of at least three persons, one of whom shall be a Public Director.</p> <p>8.27-9.27.3 Three members of <u>the Drug Preparation Premises Committee</u> a panel constitute a quorum.</p>	<p>The composition of the Drug Preparation Premises Committee mirrors the Accreditation Committee (which has a quorum of three members), but because quorum of the Drug Preparation Premises Committee was not specified, a majority of the Committee members were required to constitute quorum (see Paragraph 14.2, now 13.2 of the By-Law, which sets out the default quorum). In order to allow the Drug Preparation Premises Committee to meet in three person panels, a quorum of three was added.</p> <p>The changes in By-Law No. 7 have been made to reference the new regulation and to clarify that it is quorum of the Committee, not of a panel of the Committee.</p>	

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11.2.2 (Lay Committee Appointees)	10.2.2 (Lay Committee Appointees)	<p>An individual is eligible for appointment to a Committee as a Lay Committee Appointee if the individual has completed and submitted an application form to the Screening Committee and on the date of the appointment: [...]</p> <p>(i) the individual is not, and has not within the three (3) years immediately preceding the election been, an employee, officer or director of a Professional Advocacy Association, or any professional advocacy association of any health profession under the Act. For greater certainty, nothing in this clause will prevent an individual who serves on an association or organization to which he <u>or she</u> <u>the individual</u> has been appointed by the Board as a representative of the College, from running becoming a Lay Committee Appointee.</p>	The word “running” has been deleted, as it appears to have been included in a previous By-Law in error.	H
14.2 (Quorum)	13.2 (Quorum)	<p>13.2 14.2 Quorum.</p> <p>Unless specifically provided for otherwise under the Act, the RHPA Regulations, the Code, the Pharmacy Act, the <i>Drug and Pharmacies Regulation Act</i>, the regulations made under any of those Acts, or this <u>By-Law</u> by-law, a majority of the members of a Committee constitutes a quorum for a meeting of a Committee.</p>	See the note above with respect to paragraph 9.27 (now 8.27). Because paragraph 9.27 (now 8.27) sets the quorum for the Drug Preparation Premises Committee, a reference to the by-law was added to paragraph 14.2 in December 2023. A housecleaning update has been made to capitalize by-law.	H
15.2.2 (Execution of Documents)	14.2.2 (Execution of Documents)	Certificates of Registration, <u>Certificates of Authorization and Certificates of Accreditation</u> shall be signed by the Chair and the Registrar.	This language has been expanded to include Certificates of Accreditation and Authorization, which are also signed by the Chair and the Registrar.	H

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15.7.2 (Grants)	14.7.2 (Grants)	The Board shall set aside in the budget each year such funds as are deemed appropriate for grants for any purpose that may tend to advance scientific knowledge or pharmacy education, or maintain or improve the standards of practice in pharmacy <u>the profession</u> .	This provision has been amended to reflect the change in terminology used in the Pharmacy Act Regulations (from practice of pharmacy to practice of the profession).	L/R
16.1.1 (Registrant's Name)	15.1.1 (Registrant's Name)	The Registrant's name as provided in the documentary evidence used to support the Registrant's initial registration with any other given name commonly used by the Registrant included in parentheses , or such other name as is acceptable to the Registrar;	The reference to parentheses has been removed. The College will determine how names can be displayed in the Register.	H
16.1.2 (Registrant's Name)	15.1.2 (Registrant's Name)	A name other than as provided in subparagraph 16.1.1 <u>15.1.1</u> where a written request is made by the Registrant and the Registrar is satisfied that the Registrant has validly <u>legally</u> changed his or her <u>their</u> name and that the use of the name is not for an improper purpose, <u>and the Register may also include such other name that the Registrant commonly uses, as is acceptable to the Registrar.</u>	The word "validly" was replaced with "legally", to clarify what is meant – it is meant to refer to the Registrant's legal name. Additional language has also been added to contemplate that another name can be included if it is used by the Registrant, subject to acceptance by the Registrar.	H
16.3 Information Regarding a Result	15.3 Information Regarding a Result	When any provision of this Article 16 <u>15</u> requires information regarding a "result" to be included in the Register, the term "result" shall have the same meaning as provided to it in the Act <u>Code</u> . Specifically, "result" when used in reference to: [...]	"Result" is defined in the Code. Even though the Code is a schedule to the Act, when the By-Law refers to a section of the Code, it describes it as part of the Code, so this has been updated.	H
16.5 (Disclosure of Information)	15. 5 (Disclosure of Information)	Notwithstanding any other provision herein, nothing in this Article 16 <u>15</u> shall require or authorize the disclosure of information, including personal health information (as defined by <u>subsection 23(10) of the Code</u>) where such disclosure would lead to a violation of the Code, including subsections 23(8), 23(9) or 23(11) of the Code.	The relevant definition of personal health information is subsection 23(10) of the Code – "personal health information" is also defined in the RHPA, so a section reference has been added.	H

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16.6.10 (Information to be kept in Register by the Code – Registrants)	15.6.10 (Information to be kept in Register by the Code - Registrants.)	16.6.10 <u>15.6.10</u> The result , including a synopsis of the decision, of every disciplinary and incapacity proceeding.	“Result” is defined in the Code. See section 15.3 of By-Law 7, where the definition is stated – for disciplinary proceedings, it includes a synopsis of the decision and the order made, if a finding was made. The definition of result does not include a synopsis for incapacity proceedings. To align with the Code, the reference to synopsis in 16.6.10 (now 15.6.10) has been removed.	H
16.8.5 (Additional Information to be kept in Register – Registrants)	15.8.5 (Additional Information to be kept in Register – Registrants)	Where a Registrant holds a Certificate of Registration as a pharmacist, intern, pharmacy technician, <u>pharmacist (emergency assignment), pharmacy technician (emergency assignment), intern</u> or intern technician (following the date upon which the Pharmacy Act Regulations are amended to recognize intern technicians as a class of Certificates of Registration), the name and location of the university or college from which the Registrant received his or her <u>their</u> degree in pharmacy or completed his or her <u>their</u> pharmacy technician or intern technician program (as the case may be) and the year in which the degree was obtained or the program was completed.	The deleted language regarding the Pharmacy Act Regulations is moot now that the new Pharmacy Act Regulations will be in effect on October 1, 2024. References have also been added to pharmacist (emergency assignment) and pharmacy technician (emergency assignment).	L/R
16.8.7 (Additional Information to be kept in Register – Registrants)	15.8.7 (Additional Information to be kept in Register – Registrants)	16.8.7 Where a Registrant holds a Certificate of Registration as a: (a) pharmacist, a notation as to whether the Registrant is listed in Part A or Part B of the Register; and <u>15.8.7 (b) Where a Registrant holds a Certificate of Registration as a pharmacist or</u> pharmacy technician, following the date upon which the Pharmacy Act Regulations are amended to include a two (2) part register for pharmacy technicians, a notation as to whether the Registrant is listed in Part A or Part B of the Register.	These subparagraphs have been updated, as the new Pharmacy Act Regulations will be in effect on October 1, 2024. Pursuant to the new Pharmacy Act Regulations there will be a Part A and Part B of the Register for pharmacy technicians (in addition to pharmacists).	L/R

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16.8.12 (Additional Information to be kept in Register – Registrants)	N/A (Additional Information to be kept in Register – Registrants)	Where a Registrant is a Narcotic Signer of a pharmacy, a notation of the name and location of each pharmacy at which the Registrant holds that authority.	As noted above, it has been recommended that Narcotic Signer status be removed from the Register.	CI
16.8.23- 16.8.25 (Additional Information to be kept in Register – Registrants)	15.8.22- 15.8.24 (Additional Information to be kept in Register – Registrants)	<p>15.8.22 16.8.23 Where the Registrar confirms whether the College is investigating a Registrant because there is a compelling public interest in disclosing this information pursuant to subsection 36(1)(g) of the Act, the fact that the Registrant is under investigation.</p> <p>15.8.23 16.8.24 Where a complaint has been filed or an investigator has been appointed under subsection 75(1)(a) or subsection 75(1)(b) of the Code, and a panel of the Inquiries, Complaints and Reports Committee requires a Registrant to appear before a panel of the Committee to be cautioned. [...]</p> <p>15.8.24 16.8.25 Where a complaint has been filed or an investigator has been appointed under subsection 75(1)(a) or subsection 75(1)(b) of the Code, and a panel of the Inquiries, Complaints and Reports Committee takes other action requiring a Registrant to complete a specified continuing education or remediation program: [...]</p>	References to “subsection” have been added for consistency in drafting (as this language is included for other references to legislation).	H
16.8.28 (Additional Information to be kept in Register – Registrants)	15.8.27 (Additional Information to be kept in Register – Registrants)	A summary of any reprimand given to a Registrant as part of the order of a panel of the Discipline Committee, unless the results of the proceeding before the Discipline Committee are not otherwise [without reference to the By-Laws] available to the public under the Code.	The language in square brackets has been deleted. The By-Law does contain a provision about disclosure, in 16.14.	H

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16.12.21 (Information to be Kept in Register - Pharmacies)	15.12.21 (Information to be Kept in Register – Pharmacies)	Where a person has permanently <u>or temporarily (for a period exceeding three (3) days on which the pharmacy would ordinarily be open)</u> closed the pharmacy, a notation of that fact and the date the pharmacy was <u>permanently or temporarily</u> closed.	The By-Law has been amended so that temporary closures be reported to the College and recorded in the Register (see also subparagraphs 16.5.1-16.5.3).	CI
17.1.1 (Filing of Information by Registrants)	16.1.1 (Filing of Information by Registrants)	<p><u>16.1.1</u> 17.1.1 The College shall forward to each Registrant who holds a Certificate of Registration as a pharmacist or pharmacy technician each year, and may forward to any Registrant at any time, in a form approved by the Registrar, a request for information that includes, but is not limited to: [...]</p> <p>(b) where a Registrant is engaged in the practice of pharmacy <u>the profession</u>, whether inside or outside of Ontario, the name, address, telephone number and facsimile number of each person or business for or through which the Registrant engages in the practice or, in the case of a Registrant whose practice consists of providing temporary or relief services and who maintains no permanent place of practice, the name, address, telephone number and facsimile number of each agency or other person or business for or through which the Registrant provides such services;</p>	This subparagraph has been amended to reflect the change in terminology used in the Pharmacy Act Regulations (from practice of pharmacy to practice of the profession).	L/R
17.2.1 (Filing of Information by Applicants for a Certificate of Accreditation)	16.2.1 (Filing of Information by Applicants for a Certificate of Accreditation)	Every applicant for a Certificate of Accreditation shall file the following information with the Registrar at least 30 (thirty <u>(30)</u> days before the date on which the applicant proposes to commence operation of the pharmacy: [...]	This subparagraph has been amended to correct an inconsistency in how numbers are referred to.	H

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17.4 (Filing of Information for Closing Pharmacies)	16.4 (Filing of Information for Closing Pharmacies – Permanent Closures)	Filing of Information for Closing Pharmacies – Permanent Closures .	The heading of this section, about reporting closures, has been updated to specify that it is about permanent closures, as a new section has been added regarding temporary closures.	H
N/A	16.5.1-16.5.3 (Filing of Information for Closing Pharmacies – Temporary Closures)	<p>16.5 Filing of Information for Closing Pharmacies – Temporary Closures.</p> <p>16.5.1 Every person who intends to temporarily close a pharmacy or does close a pharmacy for a period exceeding three (3) days on which the pharmacy would ordinarily be open, shall notify the Registrar of the date of the temporary closure as soon as the temporary closure becomes known and the anticipated re-opening date.</p> <p>16.5.2 Every person who provides notice in accordance with subparagraph 16.5.1 shall notify the Registrar if the anticipated re-opening date changes, promptly following the change becoming known, and if the anticipated re-opening date will be later than the initial anticipated re-opening date, the notice must include information demonstrating that drugs in stock in the pharmacy and that prescription files, drug registers and other records required to be kept under the <i>Drug and Pharmacies Regulation Act</i> or the <i>Drug and Pharmacies Regulation Act Regulations</i> are being securely maintained.</p> <p>16.5.3 Temporary closures may not exceed three (3) months, unless otherwise approved by the Registrar. Any person who intends to</p>	<p>As noted above, the By-Law has been amended so that closures exceeding three days be reported to the College. A closure exceeding three months may become a permanent closure.</p> <p>The definition of “pharmacy” in the <i>Drug and Pharmacies Regulation Act</i> includes a remote dispensing location, so without specifying, this includes a remote dispensing location. Remote dispensing locations will not be treated differently than other pharmacies for the purpose of temporary closures.</p>	CI

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		<p>temporarily close a pharmacy for greater than three (3) months, or who is extending a temporary closure for a period that will, in total, exceed three (3) months, shall notify the Registrar, and may be directed to complete the process described in paragraph 16.4.</p>		
N/A	18.3.5 (Annual Fees)	<p>In addition to the amounts set out in sections 18.3.1 and 18.3.2, and notwithstanding 18.3.3, any outstanding balance owing to the College in respect of any decision made by a committee and any fees payable under this By-Law, must be paid in addition to the annual fees, and failure to pay such amounts shall be treated as failure to pay the annual fees.</p>	This new provision has been added to support the College's collection of amounts owing by requiring payment with the annual fees.	CI
19.4.1 (Fee to Lift Suspension or for Reinstatement)	18.4.1 (Fee to Lift Suspension or for Reinstatement)	<p>Where a Registrant's Certificate of Registration has been suspended by the Registrar pursuant to section 24 of the Code for failing to pay a required fee, the fee that the Registrant shall pay for the lifting of the suspension in accordance with section 35(2) of Ontario Regulation 256/24 under the Pharmacy Act shall be: (a) the fee the Registrant failed to pay; (b) the annual fee for the year in which the suspension is to be lifted, if the Registrant has not already paid it; and (c) a penalty.</p>	Relevant section references have been added to clarify what type of suspension is being referred to.	H
19.4.2 (Fee to Lift Suspension or for Reinstatement)	18.4.2 (Fee to Lift Suspension or for Reinstatement)	<p>Where a Registrant's Certificate of Registration has been suspended by the Registrar pursuant to the Pharmacy Act Regulations, the fee that the Registrant shall pay for the lifting of the suspension in accordance with section 35(1) of Ontario Regulation 256/24 under the Pharmacy Act shall be: (a) the annual fee for the year in which the suspension is to be lifted, if the Registrant has not already paid it; and (b) a penalty.</p>	Relevant section references have been added to clarify what type of suspension is being referred to.	H

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19.5.2 (Other Fees)	18.5.2 (Other Fees)	<p>Where, pursuant to the Pharmacy Act Regulations, a Registrant:</p> <p>(a) has undertaken remediation by order of the Quality Assurance Committee <u>and is required to undergo an assessment by an assessor appointed by the Quality Assurance Committee thereafter; and/or</u></p> <p>(b) undergoes a practice review by an assessor after the remediation, and above assessment is found by the Quality Assurance Committee to continue to have a deficiency in his or her the <u>Registrant's</u> knowledge, skills or judgment that requires correction; and (e) is ordered by the Quality Assurance Committee to undertake a further remediation and a further practice review assessment by an assessor after the further remediation,</p> <p>the Registrant shall pay a fee for each such further practice review assessment by an assessor <u>appointed by the Quality Assurance Committee</u>, and for any additional practice reviews assessments that the Registrant undertakes thereafter.</p>	<p>The Pharmacy Act Regulations no longer provide for practice reviews. The Quality Assurance Committee may conduct assessments in accordance with section 82 of the Code. The College conducts assessments after remediation, to ensure that remediation was successful. Subsequent assessments will be charged for.</p>	L/R
19.5.3 (Other Fees)	18.5.3 (Other Fees)	<p>An applicant required to undertake the Practice Assessment of Competence at Entry (PACE) a third and/or subsequent time shall pay a fee for such assessment(s). <u>a practice assessment or a knowledge assessment shall pay the applicable fee(s) as set out in the Fee Schedule.</u></p>	<p>This change has been made to broaden the scope of assessments for which fees can be recovered.</p>	CI
N/A	18.5.5 (Other Fees)	<p><u>18.5.5 A Registrant shall pay a cancellation fee/missed appointment fee for any cancellation or missing of a second or further practice assessment within less than six weeks of the</u></p>	<p>This new fee has been added to recover costs associated with cancelled / deferred practice operations assessments.</p>	CI

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		scheduled assessment date without a reason acceptable by the Registrar.		
N/A	19.6 (Other Pharmacy-Related Fees)	<p><u>Other Pharmacy-Related Fees.</u></p> <p>19.6.1 An applicant for or holder of, as applicable, a Certificate of Accreditation shall pay a cancellation fee/missed appointment fee for any cancellation or missing of a second or further pharmacy operations assessment within less than six weeks of the scheduled assessment date without a reason acceptable by the Registrar.</p> <p>19.6.2 Every person who holds a Certificate of Accreditation shall be required to pay a fee for any re-inspection (compliance audit) performed by an inspector appointed under paragraph 14.5.</p>	<p>The new fee in subparagraph 19.6.1 has been added to recover costs associated with cancelled / deferred pharmacy operations assessments.</p> <p>The new fee in subparagraph 19.6.2 has been added to recover costs associated with conducting additional inspections (compliance audits).</p>	CI
22.1.3 Application of Fees	21.1.3 Application of Fees	<p>On January 1 of each year commencing in 2021, each fee prescribed in Article 19-18, Article 20-19, and Article 21-20, and listed in Schedule B, will be increased by the percentage increase, if any, in the consumer price index for goods and services in Canada as published by Statistics Canada or any successor organization.</p>	<p>The reference to “commenting in 2021” has been deleted, as this is a transition provision that is not relevant going forward.</p>	H
24.3 (Effective Date)	23.3 (Effective Date and Interpretation)	<p><u>Effective Date and Interpretation.</u></p> <p>This By-Law shall come into force and effect on the date that it is approved by the Board. Upon this By-Law coming into force and effect, By-Law No. 56 shall hereby be repealed. The principles of interpretation in subparagraph 23.2.1 with respect to amendments shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to the repeal of By-Law 6 and the replacement of it by this By-Law.</p>	<p>As it is proposed that By-Law No. 6 be replaced with By-Law No. 7, additional interpretation language has been added to clarify that this change does not impact action that had been conducted under By-Law No. 6, and that the Board, committees and panels continue to be valid.</p>	H

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Schedule A – Ontario College of Pharmacists Code of Ethics: Who does the Code of Ethics Apply to?	Schedule A – Ontario College of Pharmacists Code of Ethics: Who does the Code of Ethics Apply to?	The Code of Ethics applies to all registrants of the College, in accordance with their scope of practice, including registered pharmacists, interns, intern technicians, pharmacy technicians , pharmacists (emergency assignment) and pharmacy technicians (emergency assignment). The Code of Ethics is also relevant to all those who aspire to be registrants of the College.	Reference has been added to pharmacists (emergency assignment) and pharmacy technicians (emergency assignment).	H
Schedule A – Ontario College of Pharmacists Code of Ethics: Who does the Code of Ethics Apply to?	Schedule A – Ontario College of Pharmacists Code of Ethics: Who does the Code of Ethics Apply to?	The Code of Ethics is applicable in all pharmacy professional practice, education and research environments including non-traditional practice settings which may not involve a healthcare professional/patient relationship.	This provision has been amended to reflect the change in terminology used in the Pharmacy Act Regulations (from practice of pharmacy to practice of the profession).	L/R
Schedule A – Ontario College of Pharmacists Code of Ethics: 1. Principle of Beneficence – Standards (s. 1.13)	Schedule A – Ontario College of Pharmacists Code of Ethics: Standards (s. 1.13)	Registrants strive to contribute to the development of the profession by participating in the education and mentoring of pharmacy students and interns, intern technicians , pharmacists (emergency assignment) , pharmacy technicians (emergency assignment) , pharmacists and pharmacy technicians.	References to intern technicians, pharmacists (emergency assignment) and pharmacy technicians (emergency assignment) have been added. Pharmacy students continue to be referred to in this provision, even though they will no longer be Registrants, because Registrants may still educate and mentor pharmacy students.	L/R
Schedule A – Ontario College of Pharmacists Code of Ethics: 1. Principle of Beneficence – Standards (s. 1.16)	Schedule A – Ontario College of Pharmacists Code of Ethics: Standards (s. 1.16)	Registrants strive to facilitate positive change in the healthcare system by actively participating in healthcare policy review and development as it applies to the practice of pharmacy the profession .	This provision has been amended to reflect the change in terminology used in the Pharmacy Act Regulations (from practice of pharmacy to practice of the profession).	L/R

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Schedule A – Ontario College of Pharmacists Code of Ethics: 2. Principle of Non Maleficence – Standards (s. 2.17)	Schedule A – Ontario College of Pharmacists Code of Ethics: 2. Principle of Non Maleficence – Standards (s. 2.17)	Registrants maintain appropriate human resources to facilitate compliance with Standards of Practice and relevant legislation, policies and guidelines governing the practice of pharmacy the profession and the operation of pharmacies to ensure that professional performance and the health of others in the work place are not compromised.	This provision has been amended to reflect the change in terminology used in the Pharmacy Act Regulations (from practice of pharmacy to practice of the profession).	L/R
Schedule A – Ontario College of Pharmacists Code of Ethics: 4. Principle of Accountability (Fidelity) – Standards (s. 4.1)	Schedule A – Ontario College of Pharmacists Code of Ethics: 4. Principle of Accountability (Fidelity) – Standards (s. 4.1)	Registrants abide by the spirit of this Code which applies to the practice of the profession of pharmacy and the operation of pharmacies.	This provision has been amended to reflect the change in terminology used in the Pharmacy Act Regulations (from practice of pharmacy to practice of the profession).	L/R
Schedule B – Ontario College of Pharmacists Schedule of Fees	Schedule B – Ontario College of Pharmacists Schedule of Fees	Addition of paragraph and subparagraph references and terminology throughout.	Paragraph and subparagraph references have been added to Schedule B in order to more clearly identify the fees. Where the terminology used for a fee differed between the body of the By-Law and Schedule B, the terminology from the By-Law has been added to or revised in Schedule B (e.g., Renewal Fee has been amended to Annual Fee).	H
Schedule B – Ontario College of Pharmacists Schedule of Fees	Schedule B – Ontario College of Pharmacists Schedule of Fees	Application and Issuance Fees (18.1) [...] 9 Issuance Fee - Pharmacy Technician B - New Applicant Registration, Mar 10 to Aug 31 (18.1.3)	New fees, added because as of October 1, 2024, there will be a Part B register for pharmacy technicians.	L/R

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2024 Fees: 290.85 - HST: 37.81 - Total with tax: 328.66 <p>10 Issuance Fee - Pharmacy Technician B - New Applicant Registration, Sept 1 to Mar 09 (18.1.3)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2024 Fees: 145.40 - HST: 18.90 - Total with tax: 164.30 		
Schedule B – Ontario College of Pharmacists Schedule of Fees	Schedule B – Ontario College of Pharmacists Schedule of Fees	Jurisprudence Exam - Pharmacist and Pharmacy Technician (18.2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2024 Fees: 145.40 200.00 - HST: 18.90 26.00 - Total with tax: 164.30 226.00 	Fee increases for the jurisprudence exam have been proposed.	CI
Schedule B – Ontario College of Pharmacists Schedule of Fees	Schedule B – Ontario College of Pharmacists Schedule of Fees	Renewal Annual Fees: (18.3) [...] 12 14 Pharmacy Technician - Part A [...] 15 Pharmacy Technician - Part B <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2024 Fees: 290.85 - HST: 37.81 - Total with tax: 328.66 	The existing pharmacy technician annual fees are for pharmacy technicians listed in Part A. New fees have been added because as of October 1, 2024, there will be a Part B register for pharmacy technicians.	L/R
Schedule B – Ontario College of Pharmacists Schedule of Fees	Schedule B – Ontario College of Pharmacists Schedule of Fees	Other Fees: (18.5) [...] 17 20 Each Practice Assessment After Remediation (18.5.2) [...]	Row 17 (now 20) has been amended to align with the language in subparagraph 18.5.2, regarding assessments after remediation. New fees have been added for:	C/I

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		<p>22 Each Practice Assessment of Competence at Entry (PACE) of Registrant transferring from Part B to Part A (18.5.3)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2024 Fees: 600.00 - HST: 78.00 - Total with tax: 678.00 <p>[...]</p> <p>24 Late Cancellation/Missed Assessment fee (18.5.5, 19.6.1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2024 Fees: 600.00 - HST: 78.00 - Total with tax: 678.00 <p>25 Pharmacy Re-inspections (Compliance Audits) (19.6.2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2024 Fees: 450.00 - HST: 58.50 - Total with tax: 508.50 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PACE when transferring from Part B to Part A - cancellation of or missed assessments (see subparagraph 18.5.5 and 19.6.1) - pharmacy re-inspections (see subparagraph 19.6.2) 	