



# Guidelines – Health requirements for Pharmacies

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# 1. Purpose:

To ensure commitment of all Pharmacies with public health requirement.

To ensure the implementation of an 'Unified Health Requirements Program', in all Pharmacies in the jurisdiction of Trakhees – Ports, Customs & Free zone Corporation, Dubai..

## 2. Scope:

The Health Requirement is applicable to all private Hospitals operating in the jurisdiction of Trakhees – Ports, Customs & Free zone Corporation, Dubai.

## 3. Responsibility:

- Director, Inspection Department
- Manager, Retail & Commercial
- Senior Officer, Retail & Commercial
- Officers, Retail & Commercial

## 4. Details of implementation:

#### 4.1. License

- 4.1.1. A valid trade license issued by Trakhees Licensing Division/JAFZA should be secured for pharmacy's activity and requirements should be complied with by for all operations as per the licensed activity.
- 4.1.2. DHA License for the pharmacist and assistant pharmacist.

#### 4.2. Documents

- 4.2.1. EPHS file with all the required documents according to circular No. EHS/FH/01/2014
- 4.2.2. Staff list with all the required and relevant data and work permits of the staff must be kept in the pharmacy and available for checking at any time.
- 4.2.3. Occupational Health Card issued by Trakhees (04 4364652/04 4364639) for housekeeping staff including contracted staff should be available.
- 4.2.4 Cleaning schedule and records should be available.
- 4.2.5. Temperature monitoring record for refrigerators and room temperature should be available.
- 4.2.6. Pest Control contract and treatment records should be available.
- 4.2.7. Extra Working Hour', permit should be secured if pharmacy intends to operate after 12 a.m.

#### 4.3. Premises

4.3.1. Display racks/cabinets/ furniture etc. must be made of non-absorbent materials and should be kept clean.



- 4.3.2. Medicines/supplements stored in the pharmacy must be protected from direct exposure to Sunlight.
- 4.3.3. Thermometer should be installed at the pharmacy for monitoring the room temperature.
- 4.3.4. Approved waste bins should be provided.
- 4.3.5. Designated Storage area for cleaning chemicals and tools should be available.
- 4.3.6. Staff Locker area/cabinet should be available.
- 4.3.7. Wash basin with continuous water supply should be provided along with liquid soap and disposable tissue towels/hand driers.

#### 4.4. Rules for Staff Members

- 4.4.1. All the staff members in the pharmacy should wear clean uniforms during working hours.
- 4.4.2. Pharmacists should wear identification badge and white uniforms when in the pharmacy.
- 4.4.3. All the staff members should maintain good personal hygiene.

#### 4.5. Toilets

- 4.5.1. Staff Toilets should be kept clean and hygienic.
- 4.5.2. Wash basins should be provided with liquid soap and hand drying facilities.

#### 4.6. Pest Control

- 4.6.1. The pharmacy should be kept free from insects, pests and rodents and regular pest control operation by an approved pest control operator should be in conducted.
- 4.6.2. Insect killers and/or suitable means of pest control should be installed.
- 4.7. No Smoking signs should be affixed at prominent places inside the pharmacy and No Smoking Policy should be strictly enforced.
- 4.8. Signage of operating hours should be displayed on the main door.
- 4.9. High degree of general cleanliness should be maintained in the pharmacy.