

**FINAL RULE**

**Department of Health and Hospitals  
Board of Pharmacy**

Digital Imaging of Prescriptions – LAC 46:LIII.1123

In accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (La. R.S. 49:950 *et seq.*) and the Louisiana Pharmacy Practice Act (La. R.S. 37:1161 *et seq.*), the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy hereby amends the referenced rule.

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**Louisiana Administrative Code**

**Title 46 – Professional and Occupational Standards**

**Part LIII: Pharmacists**

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**Chapter 11. Pharmacies**

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**§1123. Records**

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E. Digital Imaging of Prescriptions

1. In lieu of filing the actual original hard-copy prescription, a pharmacy may use an electronic imaging recordkeeping system, if:
  - a. The system is capable of capturing, storing, and reproducing the exact image of a prescription, including the reverse side of the prescription;
  - b. Any notes of clarification of and alterations to a prescription shall identify the author and shall be directly associated with the electronic image of the prescription;
  - c. The prescription image and any associated notes of clarification to or alterations to a prescription are retained for a period not less than two years from the date the prescription is last dispensed;
  - d. Policies and procedures for the use of an electronic imaging recordkeeping system are developed, implemented, reviewed, and available for board inspection; and
  - e. The prescription is not for a Schedule II controlled dangerous substance.
2. In this capacity the pharmacy may retain the hard copy prescriptions in order of date scanned in lieu of numerical order.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:1182.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Pharmacy, LR 23:1312 (October 1997), amended LR 29:2090 (October 2003), effective January 1, 2004, amended LR 36:755 (April 2010).

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