

**WAC 246-945-011 Prescription validity.** (1) Prior to dispensing and delivering a prescription, a pharmacist shall verify its validity.

(2) A prescription shall be considered invalid if:

(a) At the time of presentation, the prescription shows evidence of alteration, erasure, or addition by any person other than the person who wrote it;

(b) The prescription does not contain the required information as provided in WAC 246-945-010;

(c) The prescription is expired; or

(d) The prescription is for a controlled substance and does not comply with the requirements in RCW 69.50.308.

(3) A prescription is considered expired when:

(a) The prescription is for a controlled substance listed in Schedule II through V and the date of dispensing is more than six months after the prescription's date of issue.

(b) The prescription is for a noncontrolled legend drug or OTC's and the date of dispensing is more than twelve months after the prescription's date of issue.

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