**657—3.6 (155A) Extension of deadline for national certification.** A pharmacy technician who meets all of the criteria identified in this rule shall not be required to acquire national certification prior to December 31, 2013. The pharmacy technician shall register with the board as an uncertified pharmacy technician and shall maintain that registration during all periods of employment as a pharmacy technician. To qualify for this extension, the uncertified pharmacy technician shall meet all of the following criteria:

**3.6(1)** *Prior registration.* The pharmacy technician shall have registered as a pharmacy technician prior to January 1, 2010;

**3.6(2)** *Minimum prior employment.* The pharmacy technician shall have worked as a pharmacy technician for at least 2,000 hours in the 18-month period immediately before submission of the application for renewal of the pharmacy technician's registration as evidenced by one or more affidavits as provided in paragraph 3.8(5)"*d*"; and

**3.6(3)** *Minimum continued employment.* The pharmacy technician shall continue to work as a pharmacy technician for at least 2,000 hours during any 18-month period between January 1, 2010, and December 31, 2013, or until the pharmacy technician attains national certification.

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