

F.No. 14-136/2014-PCI

Scheme framed under regulation 4.1 b)
of the Master of Pharmacy (M.Pharm) Course Regulations, 2014

The application under this scheme shall be submitted by an authority to the Secretary, Pharmacy Council of India, New Delhi.

A. Eligibility Criteria:

The following authorities shall be eligible to apply in the prescribed format named Standard Inspection Form-E (SIF-E) for seeking permission to start the M.Pharm course or extension of approval or increase in intake upto 15 seats per specialisation.

- a) The Central Government / State Government / Union Territory administration.
- b) An autonomous body established by the Central or State Government.
- c) A University.
- d) A society registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 (21 of 1860) or corresponding Acts in States.
- e) A public religious or charitable trust registered under the Trust Act, 1882 (2 of 1882) or the Wakfs Act, 1954 (29 of 1954).

B. Qualifying Criteria:

The following conditions shall be fulfilled by an applicant.

- a) No admission or increase in intake shall be made by the applicant to the proposed course(s) without prior permission of the Pharmacy Council of India.
- b) M.Pharm course shall be permitted to be conducted only in those institutions which are approved by the Pharmacy Council of India for B.Pharm course as provided under section 12 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948. However, the institutions established by the Central Government/State Govt. for the purpose of imparting postgraduate education shall be eligible for starting M.Pharm course.
- c) The institutions approved by the Pharmacy Council of India under section 12 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948 for running undergraduate course prior to the implementation of the Master of Pharmacy (M.Pharm) Course Regulations, 2014 and conducting post graduate courses in Pharmacy (M.Pharm.) or institutions established by the Central Government/State Govt. for the purpose of imparting postgraduate education shall submit application(s) to the Council's office during the period from 1.1.2016 to 15.2.2016 (both days inclusive) as a first time dispensation. Time-schedule for submission of applications during the subsequent years shall be as may be decided by the PCI from time to time.

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d) Prerequisite mandatory documents to be submitted by an applicant -

- i) Application in prescribed Standard Inspection Form-E (SIF-E) for permission to start M.Pharm course or extension of approval or increase in intake upto 15 seats per specialisation. A copy of the format is annexed as **Annexure-I (M)**.
- ii) The application shall be submitted during the period as indicated in (c) above.
- iii) Consent of affiliation of the Examining Authority (University) in the prescribed format. A copy of the format is annexed as **Annexure-II (M)**.
- iv) No Objection Certificate (NOC) of the State Government or Union Territory Administration as may be applicable (Not applicable for existing M.Pharm courses). However, such institutions shall be required to submit NOC for new specialisations or increase in intake in existing specialisation.
- v) Payment of fee in the form of Demand Draft in favour of Secretary, Pharmacy Council of India, New Delhi, payable at Delhi as per following details -

Fee Structure:

The following is the fee structure **per speciality/subject -**

<u>Detail</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A. <u>For existing courses</u>	
1. Application Fee	Rs.50,000/- per specialisation
2. Approval u/s 12 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948.	Rs.1,00,000/- per specialisation
3. Onsite verification of compliance, if any.	Rs.1,00,000/- per specialisation
4. Annual affiliation fee after approval u/s 12 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948.	Rs.50,000/- per specialisation
B. <u>For new courses</u>	
1. Application fee for starting of M.Pharm course or increase in intake to be submitted with the application.	Rs.1,00,000/- per specialisation
2. Approval u/s 12 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948.	Rs.1,00,000/- per specialisation
3. Onsite verification of compliance if any.	Rs.1,00,000/- per specialisation
4. Annual affiliation fee after approval u/s 12 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948.	Rs.50,000/- per specialisation

C. Intake Capacity to M.Pharm course:

The maximum number of students for a postgraduate pharmacy course who can be registered in any recognised department / institution for training for the award of M.Pharm degree by the affiliating university, shall be determined by the facilities available in the department/ institution in terms of infrastructure, teaching staff and teaching material. The intake capacity will be based on the availability of the qualified teaching faculty in the teacher-student ratio of 1:3. However in no circumstances more than 15 students in any speciality of M.Pharm course shall be registered in a department / specialization in one academic year. All the teachers shall be the recognized post-graduate teachers as defined in para (vii) of the schedule to the Minimum Qualification for Teachers in Pharmacy Institutions Regulations, 2014”.

D. Procedure:

- a) Application, complete in all respects, shall be submitted online through web portal with one hard copy so as to reach the office of the Pharmacy Council of India on or before the due date. The application received after the due date shall be summarily rejected.
- b) The Pharmacy Council of India will scrutinize the application in the first instance in terms of the feasibility of starting the proposed course(s) or increase in intake at the said institution. While evaluating the application, the Council may -
 - i) seek clarification or additional information from the applicant as deemed necessary .
 - ii) intimate deficiencies in the application giving time for rectification thereof. The applicant is required to submit compliance with documentary evidence within the specified time limit.
- c) The physical inspection will be conducted by the Pharmacy Council of India u/s 16 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948 for verification of the facilities. This requirement can be dispensed in special circumstances wherever considered expedient on merits of the case.
- d) A copy of the Inspection Report will be forwarded by the Pharmacy Council of India to the applicant for rectification of the deficiencies, if any, and submission of compliance report with documentary evidence.
- e) The Inspection Report will be processed as per the standard procedure and the decision arrived at will be communicated to the applicant.
- f) The decision of the Central Council shall be final. However, an applicant shall be free to prefer an appeal for consideration.
- g) The Pharmacy Council of India will consider and grant approval for the conduct of Ist year M.Pharm course . The institutions already running the course shall apply to the Council in the prescribed application form for approval of the M.Pharm course u/s 12 of Pharmacy Act, 1948 within the stipulated time period.

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E. Syllabus:

The nomenclature of the various M.Pharm specialisation shall be as specified in “The Master of Pharmacy (M.Pharm) Course Regulations, 2014” and shown in the Table below:-

S.No.	Specialities / Subjects	Code
1.	Pharmaceutics	MPH
2.	Industrial Pharmacy	MIP
3.	Pharmaceutical Technology	MPT
4.	Pharmaceutical Chemistry	MPC
5.	Pharmaceutical Analysis	MPA
6.	Pharmaceutical Quality Assurance	MQA
7.	Regulatory Affairs	MRA
8.	Pharmaceutical Biotechnology	MBT
9.	Pharmacy Practice	MPP
10.	Pharmacology	MPL
11.	Pharmacognosy	MPG
12.	Phytopharmacy and Phytomedicine	MPM

The module of syllabus, equipments and reference books will be notified by the Pharmacy Council of India from time to time.