

The Office of Inspector General would like to remind all pharmacists and practitioners of **902 KAR 55:105 Controlled substance prescriptions blanks.**

With the advancement of computer generated prescription blanks and new CMS tamper-resistant requirements, our office has received several calls about the compliance of certain controlled security blanks recently. As a reminder, all practitioners in Kentucky are mandated by law to utilize a security prescription blank when prescribing a controlled substance while practicing within the Commonwealth.

Please use the diagram below to assist in determining if your **controlled substance prescription blanks** meet all of the requirements established in 902 KAR 55:105. Please note this is for **controlled substance prescription blanks ONLY.**

Federal law requires prescriber name, address, telephone number & DEA Registration Number

Rx is 4 1/4 inches high and 5 1/2 inches wide

The diagram shows a prescription blank form with the following fields and annotations:

- Header:** Dr. John Doe, M.D., 123 Practice Avenue, Lexington, Kentucky 00000-0000, (000) 000-0000, Lic. # 00000000, DEA #000000000. An arrow points to this header with the text: "Federal law requires prescriber name, address, telephone number & DEA Registration Number".
- Optional logo:** A circle labeled "Optional logo here".
- Watermark:** A large, faint "Rx" symbol on the right side. An arrow points to it with the text: "3/4 inch opaque 'Rx' symbol that is 1/8 inch from top, & 5/16 inch from side that disappears if prescription is lightened".
- Form Fields:** Name _____, Address _____, Date _____.
- Refill options:** Refill NR 1 2 3 4 5. An arrow points to this section with the text: "Refill options on left Side in this order".
- Quantity check-off boxes:** A list of boxes for quantities: 1-24, 25-49, 50-74, 75-100, 101-150, 151 and over. An arrow points to these boxes with the text: "6 quantity check-off boxes (location not specific)".
- VOID pattern:** A note states: "A latent, repetitive 'VOID' pattern at 5% in pantone green printed across the script. If copied, 'VOID' appears in pattern across entire script.".
- Bottom statement:** "Prescription is void if more than one (1) prescription is written per blank". An arrow points to this statement with the text: "This statement must be at bottom of blank".
- Footer:** "May Substitute".

Printed watermark on back of prescription blank: "Kentucky Security Prescription" only seen at 45° angle. Watermark appears horizontally in 5 step-and-repeat lines in a 12 pt. Helvetica Bold type.

Additional guidance regarding controlled substance prescriptions:

- ❖ A controlled substance prescription may **NOT** be pre-printed or written, typed or rubber stamped with the name of the controlled substance until issued to patient.
- ❖ All prescriptions shall be dated and signed by the practitioner **on the date issued.**

If the prescription is sent via fax:

- ❖ Prior to transmission, the practitioner or practitioner's agent shall write or stamp "FAXED" on the face of the original prescription along with the date and the person's initials.
- ❖ The original prescription shall be filed in the patient's record.