

City of Calexico

Development Services Department - Planning Division

Commercial Cannabis Operating Standards

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Please refer to the following "Operating Standards" for Commercial Cannabis Facilities in the City of Calexico per municipal code section 5.96.140 - Operating standards. If you have any questions call the Planning Division at 760.768.2118 or email us at planning@calexico.ca.gov.

Commercial Cannabis Operating Standards:

- A. Compliance with Business Operations Plan. A permittee shall substantially comply with the complete business operations plan proposed in the permittee's application.
- B. Indoor Cultivation Only. A permittee shall only cultivate cannabis in a fully enclosed and secure building. A permittee shall not allow cannabis or cannabis products on the premises to be visible from the public right-of-way, the unsecured areas surrounding the buildings on the premises, or the premises' main entrance and lobby.
- C. Odor Control. A permittee shall comply with the odor control plan that is submitted during the application process and approved by the city manager. Commercial cannabis activity premises shall provide a sufficient odor absorbing ventilation and exhaust system so that odor generated inside the building(s) that is distinctive to its operation is not detected outside the premises, anywhere on adjacent property or public rights-of-way, on or about any exterior or interior common area walkways, hallways, breezeways, foyers, lobby areas, or any other areas available for common use by tenants or the visiting public, or within any other unit located within the same building as the commercial cannabis activity. As such, applicants must install and maintain the following equipment or any other equipment which the city manager or designee determines has the same or better effectiveness:
- I. An exhaust air filtration system with odor control that prevents internal odors from being emitted externally; or
- 2. An air system that creates negative air pressure between the cannabis facility's interior and exterior so that the odors generated inside the cannabis facility are not detectable outside the cannabis facility.
- Should compliance with the odor control plan fail to properly control odor, the city manager may impose additional or modified plan restrictions.
- D. Track and Trace. Commercial cannabis activity businesses shall have an electronic "track and trace" system that produces historical transactional data for review by the city manager for auditing purposes.
- E. Records. A commercial cannabis activity business shall maintain the following records in printed format for at least three years on the premises and shall produce them to the city within twenty-four hours after receipt of the city's request:
 - I. The name, address, and telephone numbers of the owner and landlord of the property.
 - 2. The name, date of birth, address, and telephone number of each manager and staff of the commercial cannabis activity business; the date each was hired; and the nature of each manager's and staffs participation in the business.

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- 3. A written accounting of all income and expenditures of the commercial cannabis activity business, including, but not limited to, cash and in-kind transactions.
- 4. A copy of the commercial cannabis activity business' commercial general liability insurance policy and all other insurance policies related to the operation of the business.
- 5. A copy of the commercial cannabis activity business' most recent year's financial statement and tax return.
- 6. An inventory record documenting the dates and amounts of cannabis received at the premises, the daily amounts of cannabis on the premises, and the daily amounts of cannabis transported from the premises.

A commercial cannabis activity business shall report any loss, damage, or destruction of these records to the city manager within twenty-four hours of the loss, damage, or destruction.

- F. Security. A permittee shall comply with the security plan that is submitted during the application process as approved by the city manager. A permittee shall report to the Calexico Police Department all criminal activity occurring on the premises. Should compliance with the security plan fail to properly secure the commercial cannabis activity premises, the city manager may impose additional or modified plan restrictions.
- G. Cannabis Consumption—Permitted business types. On-site consumption of cannabis is permitted on the premises of a retailer or microbusiness as long as (1) access to the area where cannabis consumption is allowed is restricted to persons twenty-one years of age and older; (2) cannabis consumption is not visible from any public place or nonage-restricted area; and (3) sale or consumption of alcohol or tobacco is not allowed on the premises.
- H. Cannabis Consumption—Prohibited Business Types. No person shall smoke, ingest, or otherwise consume cannabis in any form on, or within twenty feet of, the premises of a cultivation, manufacturing, testing, or distribution facility.
- I. Shared-Use Facilities. Each shared-use facility must meet all requirements outlined in the State cannabis manufacturing regulations, and include secured storage for the primary permittee's cannabis and cannabis products. The primary permittee will assign a designated area to be used as shared space. An occupancy schedule, outlining the days and/or times that the space will be used by individual cannabis manufacturers, must be posted. Only one permittee can utilize the space at a time.
- J. Alcohol Prohibited. No person shall possess, consume, or store any alcoholic beverage on the premises.

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