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CALIFORNIA CANNABIS REGULATIONS UPDATE

In response to the passage of **Prop 64**, beginning January 1, 2018, the [California Bureau of Cannabis Control](#) will be implementing and enforcing regulations on the cultivation, manufacturing, distribution and sales of cannabis. The term "Adult-Use Cannabis" is used to express "Adult Recreational Use," where 10 mg. of THC is considered to be one dose. The term "Medicinal Use Cannabis" is used to express different criteria in regulations; especially for maximum THC allowed per package or container, which can vary widely. A set of **Emergency Regulations** affecting both medicinal and adult-use cannabis will be used during the **Transition Period** between January 1, 2018 and July 1, 2018.

*These Emergency Regulations may or may not be modified before Jan. 1st.

CONSIDERATIONS FOR PARENTS & OTHERS CARING FOR MINORS

Below is a synopsis of the concerns we have regarding youth access; especially during the **Transition Period**.

The most important thing for citizens and consumers to be aware of is that regulations during the **Transition Period** are very relaxed and have the potential to increase the risk of access to psychoactive, high THC potency products in any and all forms. These products could end up in the hands of children, teens and unsuspecting consumers. After the **Transition Period**, more stringent statewide regulations will reduce, though not eliminate, these risks.

Those who apply for a free temporary license during the **Transition Period** have permission to sell and/or distribute the following provided each package is affixed with the appropriate warning label:

- Transport cannabis goods that do not meet the new labeling requirements.
- Sell cannabis goods in inventory manufactured prior to January 1, 2018 that are not in child-resistant packaging if they are placed in child-resistant packaging at time of sale. (This means bright, animated and youth targeted cannabis products, including edibles, may be sold and be displayed in dispensaries for sale until July 1, 2018.)
- Sell cannabis products that do not meet the THC limits per package established by the State Department of Public Health. (Many current products on the market are very high in THC in single use packaging, which is much higher than the 10mg. per dose requirements going forward.) HOWEVER, the **Transition Period** section also states: "Beginning January 1, 2018, licensees shall not transport or sell any *edible* cannabis product that exceeds 10 mg. per serving. Adult-use products may not exceed 100 mg. per package; however, **medicinal cannabis products may exceed 100 mg. per package.**" (The overview does not discriminate between THC and CBD so this is also concerning.)
- Sell and transport cannabis products that have **not** undergone lab testing.
- Sell dried flowers held in inventory.
- Products held in inventory that do not meet the new requirements that have been manufactured before January 1, 2018.



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Both the **Transition Period** and permanent regulations are extremely detailed so if you are interested in looking at a more comprehensive yet still easy to read overview, go to: *

http://bcc.ca.gov/law_regs/bcc_fact_sheet.pdf

ALL CANNABIS IS NOT EQUAL - CONSUMER BEWARE

Both CBD, a non-psychoactive cannabinoid, and THC, a psychoactive and potentially addictive cannabinoid, can be present in medicinal-use or adult-use cannabis products. Our recommendations at Raising Placer for anyone consuming cannabis products or in areas where cannabis products are used is to **Keep ALL cannabis products locked up and out of the reach of children and teens. Seniors and animals should also be protected from access to cannabis products where they may be at risk of accidental consumption and/or poisoning.**

For more information on the effects of THC and how to talk to teens about the new law and potentially risky products to be aware of, go to the California Department of Public Health's new website of resources:

<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/DO/letstalkcannabis/Pages/youth.aspx>

Each local municipality has the ability under Prop 64 to determine their own regulations as long as they do not minimize state regulations. You can contact your local city council person to learn about your city's cannabis ordinances and keep up to date on Placer County's Cannabis Ordinance below:

<http://www.placer.ca.gov/cannabis>

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