

NOTICE OF RULE MAKING – Proposed Rules #13-29

The Washington State Liquor Control Board would like your input on the attached proposed rules to further implement I-502.

Additional rules and revisions to current rules are needed to further implement I-502.

This notice contains the actual text of the proposed rules. You can provide input by submitting written comments or by participating in the public hearing (see below).

This notice can be found at http://www.liq.wa.gov/laws/laws-and-rules under Proposed Rules.

The Liquor Control Board encourages you to give input on the rules. Following the comment period, the agency will hold at least one public hearing before the rules are adopted.

Public Comment

Please forward your initial comments to the Liquor Control Board by mail, e-mail, or fax by **January 8, 2014**.

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Washington State Liquor Control Board – Board Room

3000 Pacific Ave. S.E, Olympia, WA

Proposed Rules

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 13-21-104, filed 10/21/13, effective 11/21/13)

WAC 314-55-083 What are the security requirements for a marijuana licensee? The security requirements for a marijuana licensee are as follows:

- (1) Display of identification badge. All employees on the licensed premises shall be required to hold and properly display an identification badge issued by the licensed employer at all times while on the licensed premises.
- (2) Alarm systems. At a minimum, each licensed premises must have a security alarm system on all perimeter entry points and perimeter windows. Motion detectors, pressure switches, duress, panic, and hold-up alarms may also be utilized.
- (3) Surveillance system. At a minimum, a complete video surveillance with minimum camera resolution of 640x470 pixel and must be internet protocol (IP) compatible and recording system for controlled areas within the licensed premises and entire

perimeter fencing and gates enclosing an outdoor grow operation, to ensure control of the area. The requirements include image acquisition, video recording, management and monitoring hardware and support systems. All recorded images must clearly and accurately display the time and date. Time is to be measured in accordance with the U.S. National Institute Standards and Technology standards.

- (a) All controlled access areas, security rooms/areas and all points of ingress/egress to limited access areas, all points of ingress/egress to the exterior of the licensed premises, and all point-of-sale (POS) areas must have fixed camera coverage capable of identifying activity occurring within a minimum of twenty feet of all entry and exit points.
- (b) Camera placement shall allow for the clear and certain identification of any individual on the licensed premises.
- (c) All entrances and exits to the facility shall be recorded from both indoor and outdoor vantage points, and capable of clearly identifying any activities occurring within the facility or within the grow rooms in low light conditions.

The surveillance system storage device must be secured on-site in a lock box, cabinet, closet, or secured in another manner to protect from employee tampering or criminal theft.

- (d) All perimeter fencing and gates enclosing an outdoor grow operation must have full video surveillance capable of clearly identifying any activities occurring within twenty feet of the exterior of the perimeter. Any gate or other entry point that is part of the enclosure for an outdoor growing operation must have fixed camera coverage capable of identifying activity occurring within a minimum of twenty feet of the exterior, twenty-four hours a day. A motion detection lighting system may be employed to illuminate the gate area in low light conditions.
- (e) Areas where marijuana is grown, cured or manufactured including destroying waste, shall have a camera placement in the room facing the primary entry door, and in adequate fixed positions, at a height which will provide a clear, unobstructed view of the regular activity without a sight blockage from lighting hoods, fixtures, or other equipment, allowing for the

clear and certain identification of persons and activities at all times.

- (f) All marijuana or marijuana-infused products that are intended to be removed or transported from marijuana producer to marijuana processor and/or marijuana processor to marijuana retailer shall be staged in an area known as the "quarantine" location for a minimum of twenty-four hours. Transport manifest with product information and weights must be affixed to the product. At no time during the quarantine period can the product be handled or moved under any circumstances and is subject to auditing by the liquor control board or designees.
- (g) All camera recordings must be continuously recorded twenty-four hours a day. All surveillance recordings must be kept for a minimum of forty-five days on the licensee's recording device. All videos are subject to inspection by any liquor control board employee or law enforcement officer, and must be copied and provided to the board or law enforcement officer upon request.

- (4) Traceability: To prevent diversion and to promote public safety, marijuana licensees must track marijuana from seed to sale. Licensees must provide the required information on a system specified by the board. All costs related to the reporting requirements are borne by the licensee. Marijuana seedlings, clones, plants, lots of usable marijuana or trim, leaves, and other plant matter, batches of extracts and marijuana-infused products must be traceable from production through processing, and finally into the retail environment including being able to identify which lot was used as base material to create each batch of extracts or infused products. The following information is required and must be kept completely up-to-date in a system specified by the board:
- (a) Key notification of "events," such as when a plant enters the system (moved from the seedling or clone area to the vegetation production area at a young age);
- (b) When plants are to be partially or fully harvested or destroyed;

- (c) When a lot or batch of marijuana-infused product is to be destroyed;
- (d) When usable marijuana or marijuana-infused products are transported;
- (e) Any theft of marijuana seedlings, clones, plants, trim or other plant material, extract, infused product, or other item containing marijuana;
- (f) There is a seventy-two hour mandatory waiting period after the notification described in this subsection is given before any plant may be destroyed or a lot or batch of marijuana or marijuana-infused product may be destroyed;
- (g) There is a twenty-four hour mandatory waiting period after the notification described in this subsection to allow for inspection before a lot of marijuana is transported from a producer to a processor;
- (h) There is a twenty-four hour mandatory waiting period after the notification described in this subsection to allow for inspection before ((useable)) usable marijuana, or marijuana-

infused products are transported from a processor to a retailer((\cdot));

- (i) Prior to reaching eight inches in height or width, each marijuana plant must be tagged and tracked individually, which typically should happened when a plant is moved from the seed germination or clone area to the vegetation production area;
- (j) A complete inventory of all marijuana seedlings, clones, all plants, lots of usable marijuana or trim, leaves, and other plant matter, batches of extract and marijuana-infused products;
 - (k) All point of sale records;
 - (1) Marijuana excise tax records;
- (m) All samples sent to an independent testing lab and the quality assurance test results;
- (n) All free samples provided to another licensee for purposes of negotiating a sale;
- (o) All samples used for testing for quality by the producer or processor;

- (p) Samples containing usable marijuana provided to retailers;
- (q) Samples provided to the board or their designee for quality assurance compliance checks; and
 - (r) Other information specified by the board.
- (5) Start-up inventory for marijuana producers. Within fifteen days of starting production operations a producer must have all nonflowering marijuana plants physically on the licensed premises. The producer must ((immediately)), within twenty-four hours, record each marijuana plant that enters the facility in the traceability system during this fifteen day time frame. No flowering marijuana plants may be brought into the facility during this fifteen day time frame. After this fifteen day time frame expires, a producer may only start plants from seed or create clones from a marijuana plant located physically on their licensed premises, or purchase marijuana seeds, clones, or plants from another licensed producer.

- (6) **Samples.** Free samples of usable marijuana may be provided by producers or processors, or used for product quality testing, as set forth in this section.
- (a) Samples are limited to two grams and a producer may not provide any one licensed processor more than four grams of usable marijuana per month free of charge for the purpose of negotiating a sale. The producer must record the amount of each sample and the processor receiving the sample in the traceability system.
- (b) Samples are limited to two grams and a processor may not provide any one licensed retailer more than four grams of usable marijuana per month free of charge for the purpose of negotiating a sale. The processor must record the amount of each sample and the retailer receiving the sample in the traceability system.
- (c) Samples are limited to two units and a processor may not provide any one licensed retailer more than six ounces of marijuana infused in solid form per month free of charge for the purpose of negotiating a sale. The processor must record the

amount of each sample and the retailer receiving the sample in the traceability system.

- (d) Samples are limited to two units and a processor may not provide any one licensed retailer more than twenty-four ounces of marijuana-infused liquid per month free of charge for the purpose of negotiating a sale. The processor must record the amount of each sample and the retailer receiving the sample in the traceability system.
- (e) Samples are limited to one-half gram and a processor may not provide any one licensed retailer more than one gram of marijuana-infused extract meant for inhalation per month free of charge for the purpose of negotiating a sale. The processor must record the amount of each sample and the retailer receiving the sample in the traceability system.
- (f) Producers may sample one gram of ((useable)) usable marijuana per strain, per month for quality sampling. Sampling for quality may not take place at a licensed premises. Only the producer or employees of the licensee may sample the ((useable)) usable marijuana for quality. The producer must record the

amount of each sample and the employee(s) conducting the sampling in the traceability system.

- edible marijuana-infused product to be offered for sale on the market. Sampling for quality may not take place at a licensed premises. Only the processor or employees of the licensee may sample the edible marijuana-infused product. The processor must record the amount of each sample and the employee(s) conducting the sampling in the traceability system.
- (h) Processors may sample up to one quarter gram, per batch of a new marijuana-infused extract for inhalation to be offered for sale on the market. Sampling for quality may not take place at a licensed premises. Only the processor or employee(s) of the licensee may sample the marijuana-infused extract for inhalation. The processor must record the amount of each sample and the employee(s) conducting the sampling in the traceability system.

(i) The limits described in subsection (3) of this section do not apply to the usable marijuana in sample jars that may be provided to retailers described in WAC 314-55-105(8).

(j) Retailers may not provide free samples to customers.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 69.50.325, 69.50.331, 69.50.342, 69.50.345. WSR 13-21-104, § 314-55-083, filed 10/21/13, effective 11/21/13.]

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 13-21-104, filed 10/21/13, effective 11/21/13)

WAC 314-55-102 Quality assurance testing. (1) A person with financial interest in an accredited third-party testing lab may not have direct or indirect financial interest in a licensed marijuana producer or processor for whom they are conducting required quality assurance tests.

(2) As a condition of accreditation, each lab must employ a scientific director responsible to ensure the achievement and

maintenance of quality standards of practice. The scientific director shall meet the following minimum qualifications:

- (a) Has earned, from a college or university accredited by a national or regional certifying authority a doctorate in the chemical or biological sciences and a minimum of two years' post-degree laboratory experience; or
- (b) Has earned a master's degree in the chemical or biological sciences and has a minimum of four years' of post-degree laboratory experience; or
- (c) Has earned a bachelor's degree in the chemical or biological sciences and has a minimum of six years of posteducation laboratory experience.
- (3) As a condition of accreditation, labs must follow the most current version of the Cannabis Inflorescence and Leaf monograph published by the American Herbal Pharmacopoeia or notify the board what alternative scientifically valid testing methodology the lab is following for each quality assurance test. The board may require third-party validation of any monograph or analytical method followed by the lab to ensure the

methodology produces scientifically accurate results prior to them using those standards when conducting required quality assurance tests.

- (4) As a condition of accreditation, the board may require third-party validation and ongoing monitoring of a lab's basic proficiency to correctly execute the analytical methodologies employed by the lab. The board may contract with a vendor to conduct the validation and ongoing monitoring described in this subsection. The lab shall pay all vendor fees for validation and ongoing monitoring directly to the vendor.
- (5) Labs must adopt and follow minimum good lab practices (GLPs), and maintain internal standard operating procedures (SOPs), and a quality control/quality assurance (QC/QA) program as specified by the board. The board or authorized third-party organization can conduct audits of a lab's GLPs, SOPs, QC/QA, and inspect all other related records.
- (6) The general body of required quality assurance tests for marijuana flowers, infused products, and extracts may include moisture content, potency analysis, foreign matter

inspection, microbiological screening, pesticide and other chemical residue and metals screening, and residual solvents levels.

(7) Table of required quality assurance tests.

		Sample Size Needed
Product	Test(s) Required	to Complete all Tests
Flowers to be sold as usable marijuana (see note below)	Moisture content Potency analysis Foreign matter inspection Microbiological screening	Up to 7 grams
Flowers to be used to make an extract (nonsolvent) like kief, hashish, bubble hash, or infused dairy butter, or oils or fats derived from natural sources	None	None
Extract (nonsolvent) like kief, hashish, bubble hash or infused dairy butter, or oils or fats derived from natural sources	 Potency analysis Foreign matter inspection Microbiological screening 	Up to 7 grams
Flowers to be used to make an extract (solvent based), made with a CO ₂ extractor, or with a food grade ethanol or glycerin	Foreign matter inspection Microbiological screening	Up to 7 grams
Extract (solvent based) made using n- butane, isobutane, propane, heptane, or other solvents or gases approved by the board of at least 99% purity	 Potency analysis Residual solvent test Microbiological screening (only if using flowers and other plant material that failed initial test) 	Up to 2 grams
Extract made with a CO ₂ extractor like hash oil	1. Potency analysis 2. Microbiological screening (only if using flowers and other plant material that failed initial test)	Up to 2 grams
Extract made with food grade ethanol	1. Potency analysis 2. Microbiological screening (only if using flowers and other plant material that failed initial test)	Up to 2 grams
Extract made with food grade glycerin or propylene glycol	1. Potency analysis	Up to 1 gram
Infused edible	Potency analysis Microbiological screening	1 unit
Infused liquid like a soda or tonic	Potency analysis Microbiological screening	1 unit
Infused topical	1. Potency analysis	1 unit

- (8) Independent testing labs may request additional sample material in excess of amounts listed in the table in subsection (7) of this section for the purposes of completing required quality assurance tests. Labs meeting the board's accreditation requirements may retrieve samples from a marijuana licensee's licensed premises and transport the samples directly to the lab.
- (9) Labs meeting the board's accreditation requirements are not limited in the amount of ((useable)) usable marijuana and marijuana products they may have on their premises at any given time, but they must have records to prove all marijuana and marijuana-infused products only for the testing purposes described in WAC 314-55-102.
- (10) At the discretion of the board, a producer or processor must provide an employee of the board or their designee samples in the amount listed in subsection (7) of this section for random compliance checks. Samples may be screened for pesticides and chemical residues, unsafe levels of metals, and used for other quality assurance tests deemed necessary by

the board. All costs of this testing will be borne by the producer or processor.

- (11) No lot of usable flower or batch of marijuana-infused product may be sold or transported until the completion of all required quality assurance testing.
- (12) Any ((useable)) usable marijuana or marijuana-infused product that passed the required quality assurance tests may be labeled as "Class A." Only "Class A" ((useable)) usable marijuana or marijuana-infused product will be allowed to be sold.
- (13) If a lot of marijuana flowers fail a quality assurance test, any marijuana plant trim, leaf and other usable material from the same plants automatically fails quality assurance testing also. Upon approval of the board, a lot that fails a quality assurance test may be used to make a CO₂ or solvent based extract. After processing, the CO₂ or solvent based extract must still pass all required quality assurance tests in WAC 314-55-102.

(14) At the request of the producer or processor, the board may authorize a retest to validate a failed test result on a case-by-case basis. All costs of the retest will be borne by the producer or the processor.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 69.50.325, 69.50.331, 69.50.342, 69.50.345. WSR 13-21-104, § 314-55-102, filed 10/21/13, effective 11/21/13.]

NEW SECTION

WAC 314-55-200 How will the liquor control board identify marijuana, usable marijuana, and marijuana-infused products during checks of licensed businesses? Officers shall identify marijuana, usable marijuana, and marijuana-infused products during on-site inspections of licensed producers, processors, and retailers of marijuana by means of product in the traceability system, and/or by observation based on training and experience. Products that are undetermined to be marijuana,

usable marijuana, and marijuana-infused products will be verified by the following:

- (1) Officers may take a sample large enough for testing purposes;
- (2) Field test kits may be used if available and appropriate for the type of product being verified; and
- (3) Those samples not able to be tested with a field test kit may be tested through the Washington state toxicology or crime lab.

NEW SECTION

WAC 314-55-210 Will the liquor control board seize or confiscate marijuana, usable marijuana, and marijuana-infused products? The liquor control board may seize or confiscate marijuana, usable marijuana, and marijuana-infused products under the following circumstances:

(1) During an unannounced or announced administrative search or inspection of a licensed location, or vehicle involved in the transportation of marijuana products, where any product CR 102 - Notice to Stakeholders 12/4/13 Add'l rules to implement I-502

was found to be in excess of product limitations set forth in WAC 314-55-075, 314-55-077, and 314-55-079.

- (2) Any product not properly logged in inventory records or untraceable product required to be in the traceability system.
- (3) Marijuana, usable marijuana, and marijuana-infused product that are altered or not properly packaged and labeled in accordance with WAC 314-55-105.
- (4) During a criminal investigation, officers shall follow seizure laws detailed in RCW 69.50.505 and any other applicable criminal codes.

NEW SECTION

wac 314-55-220 What is the process once the board summarily orders marijuana, usable marijuana, or marijuana-infused products of a marijuana licensee to be destroyed? (1) The board may issue an order to summarily destroy marijuana, usable marijuana, or marijuana-infused products after the board's enforcement division has completed a preliminary staff investigation of the violation and upon a determination that CR 102-Notice to Stakeholders

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immediate destruction of marijuana, usable marijuana, or marijuana-infused products is necessary for the protection or preservation of the public health, safety, or welfare.

- (2) Destruction of any marijuana, usable marijuana, or marijuana-infused products under this provision shall take effect immediately upon personal service on the licensee or employee thereof of the summary destruction order unless otherwise provided in the order.
- (3) When a license has been issued a summary destruction order by the board, an adjudicative proceeding for the associated violation or other action must be promptly instituted before an administrative law judge assigned by the office of administrative hearings. If a request for an administrative hearing is timely filed by the licensee, then a hearing shall be held within ninety days of the effective date of the summary destruction ordered by the board.

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WAC 315-55-230 What are the procedures the liquor control board will use to destroy or donate marijuana, usable marijuana, and marijuana-infused products to law enforcement? (1) The liquor control board may require a marijuana licensee to destroy marijuana, usable marijuana, and marijuana-infused products found in a licensed establishment to be in excess of product limits set forth in WAC 314-55-075, 314-55-077, and 314-55-079.

- (2) Destruction of seized marijuana, usable marijuana, marijuana-infused products, or confiscated marijuana after case adjudication, will conform with liquor control board evidence policies, to include the option of donating marijuana, usable marijuana, and marijuana-infused products, set for destruction, to local and state law enforcement agencies for training purposes only.
- (3) Marijuana, usable marijuana, and marijuana-infused products set for destruction shall not reenter the traceability system or market place.