



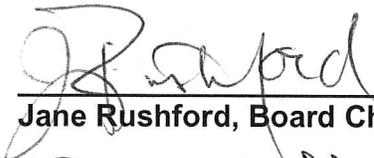
Liquor and Cannabis Board Interim Policy BIP-14 -2019

Subject: BIP 05-2018; BIP 07-2018; BIP 08-2018; BIP 09-2018; and BIP 10-2018 as they relate to WAC 314-55-077 - Marijuana processor license, and WAC 314-55-105 and WAC 314-55-155, related to useable marijuana, marijuana concentrates, and marijuana-infused products packaging and labeling.

Effective Date: August 21, 2019

Ending Date: Upon the effective date of rules to implement this policy or Board action rescinding this policy.

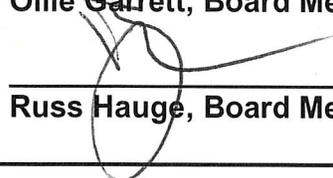
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Background:

Between June 7, 2018 and July 17, 2019, the Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board (WSLCB) approved and revised the following Board Interim Policies (BIP) regarding implementation of cannabis packaging and labeling rules, and marijuana-infused edible products:

- **BIP 05-2018** regarding the implementation of cannabis packaging and labeling rules changes.
- **BIP 07-2018** regarding packaging and labeling requirements, specifically, clarification of the phrase “false and misleading” concerning packaging and labeling of marijuana-infused products, and packaging and labeling designed to mimic, imply or reference a product containing alcohol.
- **BIP 08-2018** regarding usable marijuana, marijuana concentrates, and marijuana-infused products packaging and labeling, specifically, clarification of the phrase “curative or therapeutic effects.”
- **BIP 09-2018** regarding marijuana processor license, specifically, the scope of rule language requiring that both marijuana-infused solid edibles and liquid

products be homogenized to ensure uniform disbursement throughout the product.

- **BIP 10-2018** regarding marijuana packaging and labeling requirements, specifically, marijuana infused edible colors and shapes.

Each of these BIP require that licensees must fully comply with each policy by July 1, 2020.

However, since WSLCB licensed marijuana retailers will no longer be able to accept products with labels that are noncompliant with BIP 05-2018, 07-2018, 08-2018, 09-2018 and 10-2018 after July 1, 2020, WSLCB licensed marijuana retailers will need additional time to sell through, or “sell down” marijuana products with labels that were compliant with requirements in effect prior to July 1, 2020.

Purpose:

The purpose of this interim policy is to establish a time period to allow WSLCB licensed marijuana retailers to sell through, or “sell down” marijuana products with labels approved prior to July 1, 2020.

Policy Statement:

On July 1, 2020, WSLCB licensed marijuana retailers will no longer be allowed to accept products with labels that do not comply with BIP 05-2018, 07-2018, 08-2018, 09-2018 and 10-2018. WSLCB licensed marijuana retailers have until **January 1, 2021** to sell through, or “sell down” products subject to BIP 05-2018, 07-2018, 08-2018, 09-2018 and 10-2018.

WSLCB licensed marijuana retailers who are still in possession of these products on or after January 1, 2021 may return the products to the WSLCB licensed processor consistent with the requirements of WAC 314-55-077, or dispose of the products consistent with WAC 314-55-7-079(13) and WAC 314-55-097.