



CITY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF  
**CANNABIS  
REGULATION**

This guide is for reference only and is not an exhaustive list of legal and illegal cannabis-related activity. For more information about the City of Los Angeles' cannabis laws and licensing and regulation within the City of Los Angeles, please visit [cannabis.lacity.org](http://cannabis.lacity.org).



*California*  
**Cannabis Portal**

The State of California has launched its California Cannabis Portal to provide "a one-stop shop for all things related to the state's effort to regulate the cannabis industry." To learn more about the California Cannabis Portal, please visit [cannabis.ca.gov](http://cannabis.ca.gov).



The California Department of Public Health has launched "Let's Talk Cannabis," a health information and education campaign about what's legal in California and potential health impacts. To learn more, please visit the "Let's Talk Cannabis" webpage at [cdph.ca.gov/LetsTalkCannabis](http://cdph.ca.gov/LetsTalkCannabis).



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In November 2016, the people of the state of California approved Proposition 64, the Adult-Use of Marijuana Act (AUMA), which legalized certain activities related to non-medical cannabis in California. The following year, voters in the City of Los Angeles passed Proposition M, which gave the Los Angeles City Council the authority to regulate cannabis-related activity within the City of Los Angeles. With that authority, the Council established the Department of Cannabis Regulation to implement the City's commercial cannabis laws.



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## WHAT'S LEGAL AND WHAT'S NOT LEGAL IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES?



### LEGAL

#### L.A. CITY CANNABIS RETAILERS

- Retail businesses must prominently display both a state license and local authorization.
- Retail businesses are authorized to sell cannabis between 6 a.m. and 10 p.m.
- The sale of adult-use cannabis is limited to persons 21 years of age or older. The sale of medicinal cannabis is limited to persons 18 years of age or older that have a current physician's recommendation or a valid county-issued medical marijuana identification card.
- All cannabis and cannabis products must be tested, packaged and labeled in accordance with City and State requirements.

#### CANNABIS CONSUMERS

- If you are 21 or older, you can buy and possess up to one ounce (28.5 grams) of cannabis and up to eight grams of concentrated cannabis.
- Cannabis should only be purchased at retail businesses licensed by California and the City of Los Angeles.
- You can use cannabis on private property.
- Property owners may ban the use and possession of cannabis on their privately owned properties.

### ILLEGAL

- Selling cannabis without BOTH a state license AND local authorization is unlawful.
- It is unlawful for retail businesses to sell alcohol or tobacco products.
- Alcohol and cannabis consumption are prohibited on the premises of a cannabis business.

- You cannot use, smoke, eat, or vape cannabis in public places and you cannot smoke cannabis or cannabis products in places where it is illegal to smoke tobacco.
- You cannot use cannabis within 1,000 feet of a school, day care center, or youth center while children are present.
- It is illegal to take your cannabis across state lines, even if you are traveling to another state where cannabis is legal.