



City Enforcing Cannabis Regulations

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VICTORIA, BC – The exemption period for compliance with the City’s cannabis regulations has expired. The City will now be launching legal proceedings for any cannabis retailer who has not applied for a business license or a rezoning.

From the outset, the City’s objective has been to work with the industry to gain compliance with the regulations, which took effect in November 2016. The regulations provided a grace period of 60 days to allow businesses to meet the requirements of the regulations, which include applying for a business license and rezoning the property. The City provided education and support during that period to help businesses become compliant. To date, 33 cannabis retailers have applied for a business license 23 have applied for rezoning. 16 cannabis retailers have yet to apply for rezoning and one for a business license. The legal proceedings can be halted by non-compliant cannabis retailers by applying for the required business license and rezoning.

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