Division of Cannabis Regulation Section for Compliance & Enforcement Instructions for Business Change Applications; 50% or More Change to Ownership Interest

Pursuant to 19 CSR 100-1.100(2) and 19 CSR 100-1.100(3), respectively, Marijuana and Medical facility licensees must apply for and obtain the department's approval before they may make any changes that would result in an overall change in financial or voting interests of fifty percent (50%) or more from the last approved ownership of the licensee. Such requests may only be submitted after the licensee has received approval to operate for a new license or certification.

INSTRUCTIONS

Licensees are required to complete the Business Change Applications Checklist. For the change application to be considered complete, the checklist and <u>all</u> documentation outlined in the checklist must be uploaded through the Missouri Registry Portal. The documents and information outlined in the checklist are the minimum required to verify the proposed change complies with Article XIV and 19 CSR 100-1. Considering the uniqueness of each request, the department cannot anticipate questions that might arise from the documentation submitted or the need for additional documentation. Pursuant to 19 CSR 100-1.030, licensed or certified entities must provide documents or records requested as part of an inspection or investigation within seven (7) days of the department issuing the request unless additional time is requested and granted. A department request for documents or records made as part of reviewing an application submitted by a licensee, such as a business change application, shall be considered an inspection of records. In addition, failure to timely provide requested documents or records may result in a fine of up to five thousand (\$5,000) dollars for every day the requested documents or records have not been provided after the deadline.

If documents are not submitted within the timeframe provided or found to be incomplete, the business change applications may be denied. Licensees will be required to submit a new business change application and payment for applications that were previously denied for the department to process the business change application.

As a reminder, licensees may only submit business change applications as Business Updates through the Missouri Registry Portal, and the department will deny business change applications with missing or incomplete payments and documentation. Licensees can remit payment at https://magic.collectorsolutions.com/magic-ui/Login/mo-health-senior-serv, and upload their payment receipt with their business change application. The current fee schedule can be accessed at https://health.mo.gov/safety/cannabis/fees.php.

Change applications will be approved if the request contains all of the documentation, fees, and information required by 19 CSR 100-1, and the resulting change in ownership or ownership interests does not violate any provision of this chapter or Article XIV. If the department determines that an applicant has provided false or misleading information in the application, including applications for change, the license may be revoked or the department may impose other remedies not inconsistent with 19 CSR 100-1 or Article XIV. If you have any questions about the documentation or information requested in the Business Change Application Checklist, please reach out to your license's assigned Business Licensing Services Specialist.

Business Change Application Checklist

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Licensee Name License Number Indicate License Type:			
Marijuana License (Includes Comprehensive, Testing, Transportation and Microbusiness) Medical License (Licenses designated as Medical only)			
Licensee Uploaded			
Verify	Department Requested Document	Document Name(s)	
	MARIJUANA LICENSEES (Includes Comprehensive licenses, as		
	well as Testing, Transportation and Microbusiness Licenses):		
	All current and proposed owners of the licensed entity and		
	their proposed individual ownership percentage;		
	A chart comparing the previously approved ownership		
	percentages to the proposed ownership percentages;		
	Complete the <u>Ownership Reporting Tool</u>		
	Changes of interest of individuals with less than ten percent		
	(10%) do contribute toward the fifty percent (50%) change		
	threshold. Licensees are required to provide verification of the		
	percent of ownership of individuals under ten percent (10%),		
	but are not required to provide the individuals' names at this		
	time.		
	MARIJUANA LICENSEES (Includes Comprehensive licenses, as		
	well as Testing, Transportation and Microbusiness Licenses):		
	A visual representation of the licensee's proposed ownership		
	structure, including all owner entities;		
	Organizational Chart		
	MEDICAL LICENSEES (Licenses designated as Medical only):		
	All current and proposed entities with any financial or voting		
	interest in the licensed entity and their proposed individual		
	ownership percentage.		
	A chart comparing the previously approved ownership		
	percentages to the proposed ownership percentages.		
	Complete the <u>Ownership Reporting Tool</u>		
	MEDICAL LICENSEES (Licenses designated as Medical only):		
	A visual representation of the licensee's proposed ownership		
	structure, including all owner entities;		
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	Organizational Chart		

Verification that the change will not result in any substantially common control, ownership, or management between a testing licensee and any other medical or marijuana licensee;	
Complete the Ownership Reporting Tool.	
An attestation that all individuals subject to analysis for disqualifying felony offenses will submit fingerprints within two (2) weeks after the application submission, or have submitted such fingerprints, for a state and federal fingerprint-based criminal background check to be conducted by the Missouri State Highway Patrol;	
Licensee may draft an attestation to submit	
Current and proposed operating agreement(s), bylaws, and/or other documentation as applicable for the entity and all parent, subsidiary, and affiliated owner entities, to include capitalization schedule or exhibit of members, with percentages, in support of the proposed ownership.	
Agreements provided should allow the Department to arrive at the same interest percentage stated on the Ownership Reporting Tool for each entity and individual's percent of economic and voting interest.	
Include applicable agreements pertaining to interest purchase, sale, and/or transfer	
Payment receipt for the appropriate administrative and processing fee, which shall only be assessed once on multiple licensed entities with identical ownership making the same changes in ownership.	
Narrative description of request.	
Detail all aspects of the proposed change	
Completed Business Change Application Checklist	
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