



# OREGON CANNABIS

## Hemp FAQs

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### **Q1: Is there a limit on how much hemp you can grow?**

A: No. There are no minimum or maximums on the number of acres or plants.

### **Q2: What is the difference between a grower and a handler?**

A: Growers grow, harvest, and dry hemp. Handlers process hemp into commodities or products including smokable hemp.

### **Q3: What is the difference between hemp and marijuana?**

A: Hemp is cannabis at or below 0.3% THC.

### **Q4: How long does it take to process a registration?**

A: Registrations usually take between 2 to 4 weeks. Complete and accurate applications speed up the process. When people forget maps or provide incomplete information, staff have to follow up before ODA can issue a registration.

### **Q5: How much does a registration cost?**

A: Grower \$250 + \$500 per grow site. Handler \$1300. Agricultural Hemp Seed \$500 (add-on registration only).

### **Q6: Can I just have an agricultural hemp seed producer registration?**

A: No. You must have a grower or handler registration in addition to the agricultural hemp seed producer registration.

### **Q7: How long is a registration good for?**

A: All registrations are valid from Jan 1 - Dec 31 of the calendar year. It is illegal for you to grow or handle hemp without a registration.

### **Q8: Is hemp allowed in food?**

A: Oregon law allows hemp in food, however federal law is less clear. Do your research.

### **Q9: Do I need a food safety license?**

A: A food safety license is required for processed hemp or extract to be used as an ingredient in food and beverages. Everyone in the supply chain, starting with the registered hemp handler to the final point of sale, must be licensed by the Food Safety Program.



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