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Subject: Cannabis Testing Changes Effective July 1, 2022

The Oregon Health Authority writes rules for testing cannabis that effect both the medical and recreational market. This bulletin serves as a reminder that there are cannabis testing rule changes that take effect July 1, 2022. You may review the testing rules, found in Division 7 and 64, in full at healtheroregon.org/ommprules.

In addition, guidance documents are available to help understand some of the changes along with a timeline. All guides can be found at healthoregon.org/marijuanatesting

Below is a summary of the changes effective July 1, 2022.

50.0 pound batch sizes for marijuana and usable marijuana

A producer or grower may submit up to 50.0-pound batches of a harvest lot of marijuana or usable marijuana harvested on or after July 1, 2022, for testing. (OAR 333-007-0350)

- The whole batch of marijuana or usable marijuana must be made available for sampling and placed in containers that hold no more than 15 pounds during the sampling event.
- Batches from the same harvest lot that are the same strain and appear to be substantially similar in appearance and quality may be combined for testing for adult use cannabinoids and CBD.
 - This generally means that trim and flower should not be combined for potency testing.
- On March 31, 2022, the definition of a harvest lot was amended to mean marijuana harvested within a 7-calendar day period.

Testing for Delta-8 THC

A potency test requested on and after July 1, 2022, must include testing for Delta-8 THC. Delta-8 THC must be reported on its own and **NOT** be considered a part of total THC. (OAR 333-007-0430)

Mycotoxin testing

Any cannabis item harvested or manufactured on or after July 1, 2022, must be tested for mycotoxins accordingly. Rules regarding which mycotoxins are to be tested for are found under OAR 333-007-0425. For an outline of testing requirements for each marijuana item type see the <u>testing guide</u>. In addition, it should be noted that mycotoxins, if found, may not be remediated out of the cannabis item and the cannabis item will be required to be destroyed.

New ORELAP SOP for Laboratories

Beginning July 1, 2022, ORELAP-SOP-001 Rev 4.1 should be followed for collecting samples of usable marijuana. A copy of the ORELAP SOPs may be found on the OMMP's Cannabis Testing Laboratories page.

As a reminder, a cannabis testing laboratory must be accredited by ORELAP to perform a specific test and licensed by OLCC. For a list of laboratories and their accreditation status see the OMMP's Cannabis Testing Laboratories page.