

## Technical Advisory Subcommittee: Edibles, Topicals, and Infused Products

### July 20, 2015 Meeting Summary and Recommendations

**Committee Attendees:** Sally Allsworth, Laura Brannan, William Cyr, Ellyn Ford, David McNicoll, Aligra Rainy, Daniel Stoops, Laurie Wolf, and Woody Monte

**Absences:** Chris Worsley

**Other Attendees:** Chris Lyons (RAC Chairperson)

**OLCC Staff Representatives:** Jamie Dickinson, Carolyn Moreno, Amanda Borup

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The edibles, topicals, and infused products technical subcommittee met on July 20, 2015 to discuss infusions and to address any additional issues the subcommittee wanted to address. The following is a summary of that meeting and the subcommittee's rule recommendations on those topics. For purposes of this and future summaries and recommendations, these phrases are defined as follows:

- **“Believes”** or **“agrees”**: no member of the committee voiced a conflicting opinion or approach.
- **“Generally agrees”**: some members of the committee voiced a differing sentiment than this prevailing opinion or approach.

#### 1. Infusions

The subcommittee was split on whether or not the solvent used in the infusion process should be listed on the label. While a slightly larger majority believed that the consumer would want to know and had a right to know which solvent was used, the rest of the group believed that as long as no residual solvents remained, it did not need to be included on the label.

#### 2. Juicing

When asked about the juicing of raw cannabis, the subcommittee agreed that the rules for edibles should apply to juicing. The subcommittee members agreed that the juices are typically not heated and therefore the THC is not activated. One member voiced a contamination concern with bottling the juice without it being pasteurized. The subcommittee agreed that if a consumer bought the juice, took it home, and heated it up, there would be no way to know the THC potency of the juice.

#### 3. Licensed Massage Therapists

One subcommittee member wanted to know whether a licensed massage therapist would be able to buy topical cannabis products at wholesale and then use the products on clients that requested them. As an alternative if the massage therapist would not be able to buy the topical cannabis product, the subcommittee proposed that the client be able to buy the topical cannabis product and give it to the massage therapist for use during the client's massage. The subcommittee would like the definition of “public place” to not include a licensed massage therapist's office so that massage clients could use these topical products during a massage.

#### **4. Marijuana Handler's card**

The subcommittee agrees that education for the Marijuana Handler's Card should include education on edible products. The subcommittee believes that the education should include information on how the edible product will affect the consumer so that the handler can pass on this information to the public. The subcommittee agrees that education component should include: the recommended dosage for the consumer; what the consumer should do if he/she consumes too much; how food can affect the consumer's reaction to the edible; the onset and duration for different types of edibles; information regarding combining edibles with alcohol; and information regarding the effect of "stacking" or consuming multiple edible or cannabis products at once.

#### **5. Cost**

One subcommittee member asked that the cost of operating the business be considered when the rules are drafted. The member voiced a concern that high costs may drive away small business owners. The subcommittee agreed that this was an important concern.

#### **6. Final Item**

The subcommittee wanted to discuss the issue of transportation that was addressed at the previous meeting. The subcommittee generally agreed that the previous recommendation of having a locked container inside of a vehicle was not practical and would make deliveries difficult. The subcommittee agreed to remove that recommendation.