

Recreational Marijuana Program

Compliance Education Bulletin

Bulletin CE2018-02

January 31, 2018

The Oregon Liquor Control Commission is providing the following information to: recreational marijuana licensees and Marijuana Worker Permit holders.

The bulletin is part of OLCC's compliance education. It is important that you read it, and understand it. If you don't understand it please contact the OLCC for help.

Failure to understand and follow the information contained in this bulletin *could result in an OLCC rules compliance violation affecting your ability to work or operate your business.*

Bulletin CE2018-02 covers the following issues:

- Marijuana Worker Permit Compliance

Marijuana Worker Permit Compliance

Beginning February 1, 2018 the Oregon Liquor Control Commission will, as part of its regular compliance activity, check to ensure a licensee's employees have valid Marijuana Worker Permits.

OLCC recreational marijuana licensees are required to employ only individuals who possess an **approved Marijuana Worker Permit**, with the exception of OLCC licensed labs or employees whose duties do not include the recording, securing or handling of marijuana.

If a licensee is employing an individual without a Marijuana Worker Permit the licensee will be cited for a Category III violation. Under OLCC Recreational Marijuana Sanctions a first-time Category III violation can result in a 10 day license suspension or \$1650 fine.

In December, 2017 the OLCC provided a temporary reprieve to licensees and individuals whose Marijuana Worker Permit status had been delayed due to the backlog of applications. See OLCC Compliance Education Bulletins [CE2017-17](#), [CE2017-18](#), and [CE2017-19](#).

The OLCC has processed all Marijuana Worker Permit applications submitted up to **January 31, 2018**.

Who CAN work for licensees?

Employees who have an approved and active marijuana worker permit.

Who CANNOT continue to work for a licensee?

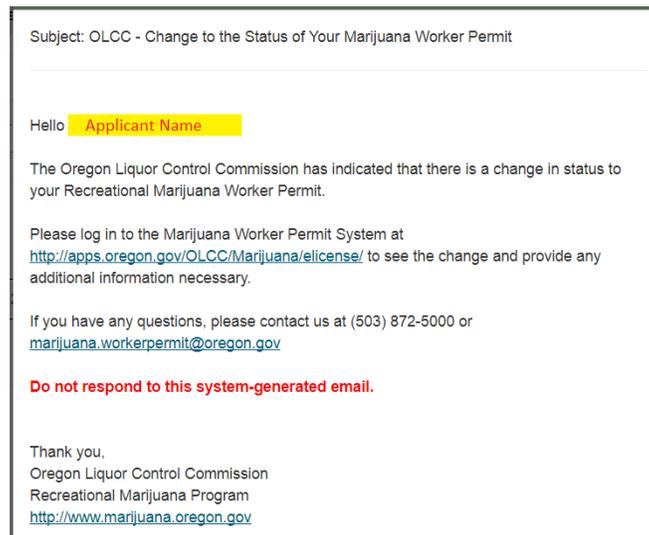
Employees cannot work for recreational marijuana licensees if:

- They have applied for a marijuana worker permit and it has not been approved;
- They have been approved for a marijuana worker permit by OLCC but it is not active because they have not paid the \$100 permit fee;
- Their marijuana worker permit has been denied, suspended, or revoked, or a denial notice has been issued to the permit applicant.

For OLCC Marijuana Worker Permit applicants

How do I know if the OLCC has approved my application?

If you have applied for and been approved for a Marijuana Worker Permit by the OLCC you will receive an official email (see example below) notifying you that there is a change in status (of your application). Upon notification of your change in status you are required to pay your \$100 permit fee.



OLCC Recreational Marijuana Sanctions

Category	1 violation in a 2 year period	2 violations in a 2-year period	3 violations in a 2-year period	4 violations in a 2-year period
III	10 days license suspension or \$1650 fine	30 days license suspension or \$4950 fine	30 days license suspension	License revocation