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Oregon Medical Marijuana Program Civil Penalty Matrix

CIVIL PENALTY BASE AMOUNTS

Base amounts for civil penalties of violations of OAR Chapter 333, Divisions 7 and 8, are as follows:

Category 4	\$ 200.00
Category 3	\$ 300.00
Category 2	\$ 400.00
Category 1	\$ 500.00

Table 1: Civil Penalty Base Amounts

CIVIL PENALTY MITIGATION

In reaching a determination of the amount of a civil penalty to propose for violations the Oregon Health Authority (Authority), Oregon Medical Marijuana Program (OMMP) may consider mitigating circumstances, as described in OAR 333-008-2210(5)(a-b), in accordance with OMMP Civil Penalty Mitigation and Aggravation Standards (Standards), set out below.

- 1. Initial mitigation of a civil penalty will be determined by using the criteria outlined in the Standards.
- 2. If a single violation meets more than one mitigating criteria, the Authority will not propose an initial civil penalty amount below the values listed in Table 2.
- 3. When mitigating circumstances are documented by the OMMP, civil penalties may be decreased as follows:

Category 4	\$	100.00	
Category 3	\$	150.00	
Category 2	\$	300.00	
Category 1 \$ 500.00			
Table 2: Mitigated Civil Penalty Amounts			

CIVIL PENALTY AGGRAVATION

In reaching a determination of the amount of a civil penalty to propose for violations OMMP may consider aggravating circumstances, as described in OAR 333-008-2210(6)(a-h), in accordance with the Standards.





- 1. Initial aggravation of a civil penalty will be determined by using the criteria outlined in the Standards.
- 2. If a single violation occurred under more than one aggravating circumstance, the Authority may propose that the civil penalty for that violation be levied at \$500, regardless of the category of the violation
- 3. When aggravating circumstances exist, civil penalties may be increased as follows:

	Aggravated 25%	Aggravated 50%	Aggravated 100%
Category 4	\$ 250.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 400.00
Category 3	\$ 375.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 500.00
Category 2	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Category 1	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00

Table 1: Aggravated Civil Penalty Amounts

COMBINED AGGRAVATION & MITIGATION

In situations where a violation occurred under both aggravating and mitigation circumstances, determination of the amount of the proposed civil penalty shall be accomplished by: Calculating the aggravated amount from the base amount and then reducing on mitigation from the total aggravated amount by no more than 25%, regardless of how many elements may meet mitigation criteria.





OMMP Civil Penalty Mitigation and Aggravation Standards

Mitigation of violations - OAR 333-008-2210(5)		
Type of Adjustment	OMMP will consider	Allowed Penalty Adjustment
	(a) Making a good faith effort to prevent a violation	Each instance of a penalty that mitigation applies to may be reduced as follows:
	Example: • Significant attempts to comply that do not satisfy a technical aspect of rule (Such	 75% Reduction from the base for each Category 4 violation
MITIGATION	as signage requirements under OAR 333- 008-1205(2))	 75% Reduction from the base for each Category 3 violation
		 50% Reduction from the base for each Category 2 violation
	*Example presented is not exhaustive	 0% reduction for each category 1 violation (no mitigation allowed)
	(b) Extraordinary cooperation in the violation investigation demonstrating the licensee or permitee accepts responsibility	Each instance of a penalty that mitigation applies to may be reduced as follows:
	Example: • Violation corrected during the inspection	 75% Reduction from the base for each Category 4 violation
MITIGATION	without delaying the inspection process	 75% Reduction from the base for each Category 3 violation
	*Example presented is not exhaustive	 50% Reduction from the base for each Category 2 violation
		 0% reduction for each category 1 violation (no mitigation allowed)



Aggravation of violations - OAR 333-008-2210(6)		
Type of Adjustment	OMMP will consider	Allowed Penalty Adjustment
AGGRAVATION	 (a) Received prior warning about one or more compliance problems Example: Warnings could be from: bulletins or information otherwise issued by OHA, OLCC or ODA; Information provided by staff of OHA, OLC or ODA; Information included in a stipulated settlement agreement or final order issued by OHA, OLCC, or ODA; or, information provided as part of a notice of violation or corrective action. *Example presented is not exhaustive 	 25% increase in civil penalty base amount for the violation in question (not to exceed \$500 per violation per ORS 475B.925) - not the total civil penalty for the proposed order. Additional enforcement actions as the violations warrant Multiple instances of this type of violation in a two-year period will lead to a 50% increase in civil penalty base amount for the violation in question (not to exceed \$500 per violation per ORS 475B.925)
AGGRAVATION	(b) Repeated failure to comply with laws Example: Multiple violations for the same rule or law, prohibition or requirement, by citation *Example presented is not exhaustive	 50% increase in civil penalty base amount for the violation in question (not to exceed \$500 per violation per ORS 475B.925) - not the total civil penalty for the proposed order. Additional enforcement actions as the violations warrant Multiple instances of this type of violation in a two-year period will lead to a 100% increase in civil penalty base amount for the violation in question (not to exceed \$500 per violation per ORS 475B.925)



	Aggravation of violations - OAR 333-008-2210(6)		
Type of Adjustment	OMMP will consider	Allowed Penalty Adjustment	
AGGRAVATION	 (c) Efforts by person or registrant to conceal a violation Example: Untruthful statements, obscuring of evidence, delays in providing access or documentation ETC *Example presented is not exhaustive 	 All violations that meet this aggravation criteria are increased to the maximum \$500 per instance. Additional enforcement actions as violations warrant 	
AGGRAVATION	 (d) Intentionally committing a violation Example: Registrant had or should have had knowledge of rule and law yet committed violation *Example presented is not exhaustive 	 50% increase in civil penalty base amount for the violation in question (not to exceed \$500 per violation per ORS 475B.925) - not the total civil penalty for the proposed order. Multiple instances of this type of violation in a two year period will lead to a 100% increase in civil penalty base amount for the violation in question (not to exceed \$500 per violation per ORS 475B.925) Additional enforcement actions as violations warrant 	



Aggravation of violations - OAR 333-008-2210(6)		
Type of Adjustment	OMMP will consider	Allowed Penalty Adjustment
AGGRAVATION	 (e) A violation involving more than one consumer or employee Example: Conspiring to commit a violation with multiple people. *Example presented is not exhaustive 	 25% increase in civil penalty base amount for the violation in question (not to exceed \$500 per violation per ORS 475B.925) - not the total civil penalty for the proposed order. Multiple instances of this type of violation in a two year period will lead to a 50% increase in civil penalty base amount for the violation in question (not to exceed \$500 per violation per ORS 475B.925) Additional enforcement actions as violations warrant
AGGRAVATION	(f) A violation involving a transfer of marijuana item to anyone other than a patient, designated primary caregiver, grower, or registrant	 All violations that meet this aggravation criteria are increased to the maximum \$500 per instance. Additional enforcement actions as violations warrant



Aggravation of violations - OAR 333-008-2210(6)		
Type of Adjustment	OMMP will consider	Allowed Penalty Adjustment
AGGRAVATION	 (g) A violation resulting in injury or death Example: Selling marijuana items that had failed testing that caused illness *Example presented is not exhaustive 	 All violations that meet this aggravation criteria are increased to the maximum \$500 per instance. Additional enforcement actions as violations warrant
AGGRAVATION	(h) Three or more violations within a two- year-period, regardless of the category, where the number of the proposed or final violations indicate a disregard for the law of failure to control the premises.	 50% increase in civil penalty base amount for the violation in question (not to exceed \$500 per violation per ORS 475B.925) - not the total civil penalty for the proposed order. Multiple instances of this type of violation in a two year period will lead to a 100% increase in civil penalty base amount for the violation in question (not to exceed \$500 per violation per ORS 475B.925) Additional enforcement actions as violations warrant