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# **GUIDANCE ON APPLICATION AND LICENSING FEES**

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## Introduction

This document is intended to serve as guidance for cannabis establishment license applicants seeking more information on licensing and application fees, including which license for which an applicant might apply depending on the type of cannabis establishment and its size.

## Fees by License Type and Tier

**\*\*Licensing fees are paid on an annual basis\*\***

### Cultivation

**Cultivation licensees** may grow cannabis plants, either outdoors, outdoors, or in a mixed setting. This license type is tiered based on the size of the applicants proposed growing operation.

#### Tiers and Associated Fees

Outdoor Cultivation		
Tier #	Brief Description	Associated Fee
1	Up to 1,000 square feet of plant canopy or 125 plants	\$750
2	Up to 2500 square feet of plant canopy or 312 plants	\$1,875
3	Up to 5000 square feet of plant canopy or 625 plants	\$4,000
4	Up to 10,000 square feet of canopy or 1,250 plants	\$8,000
5	Up to 20,000 square feet of canopy or 2,500 plants	\$18,000
6	Up to 37,500 square feet of canopy or 4,687 plants	\$34,000

Outdoor cultivation applicants must specify if they will use plant count or square footage to calculate their tier at the time of application.

Indoor Cultivation		
Tier #	Brief Description	Associated Fee
1	Up to 1,000 square feet of plant canopy	\$1,500
2	Up to 2500 square feet of plant canopy	\$3,750
3	Up to 5000 square feet of plant canopy	\$8,000
4	Up to 10,000 square feet of canopy	\$16,000
5	Up to 15,000 square feet of canopy	\$36,000
6	Up to 25,000 square feet of canopy	\$75,000

Indoor cultivation applicants may only apply using square footage of plant canopy to calculate their tier. They may not apply using plant counts.

Mixed Cultivation		
Tier #	Brief Description	Associated Fee
1	Up to 1,000 square feet of indoor plant canopy & up to 125 outdoor plants	\$2,250
2	Between 1,001-2500 square feet of indoor plant canopy & up to 312 outdoor plants	\$5,625
3	Up to 1,000 square feet of indoor plant canopy & up to 625 outdoor plants	\$5,500
4	Up to 1,000 square feet of indoor plant canopy & up to 1,250 outdoor plants	\$9,500
5	Up to 1,000 square feet of indoor plant canopy & up to 2,500 outdoor plants	\$19,500

Manufacturers

**Manufacturer licensees** may produce cannabis products from cannabis plants, including edibles, oils, and other such products. This license type is tiered based on allowable extraction type and gross revenue per year.

Tiers and Associated Fees

Tier #	Brief Description	Associated Fee
1	\$10,000 cap on gross revenue per year. May manufacture products using water-based, food-based (cooking fats, glycerin, propylene glycol, or alcohol), or heat/pressure-based extraction. Must be a home-occupancy business.	\$750
2	No cap on annual gross revenue. May manufacture products using the same extraction methods as a Tier 1 manufacturer	\$2,500
3	No cap on annual gross revenue. May manufacture products using the same extraction methods as a Tier 1 manufacturer, as well as solvent-based extraction (butane or hexane extraction is prohibited)	\$15,000

Retailers

**Retailer licensees** may sell cannabis and cannabis products to the general public. Only a licensed retail establishment, or an integrated licensee, may sell cannabis or cannabis products to the general public.

Associated Fee

\$10,000

### Wholesalers

**Wholesaler licensees** may purchase cannabis and cannabis products from other licensees and sell them to licensees, but *may not* sell to the public.

Associated Fee

\$4,000

### Testing Laboratories

**Testing Laboratory licensees** may test cannabis and cannabis products obtained from a licensed cannabis establishment, dispensary, or a member of the public.

Associated Fee

\$1,500

### Integrated License

**Integrated licensees** may engage in the activities of each of the license types listed above. These licenses are only available to applicants that hold a dispensary registration on April 1, 2022.

Associated Fee

\$100,000

### Application & “Intent to Apply” Fees

In addition to the above annual licensing fees, applicants must pay a **one-time \$1,000 application fee**.

Applicants may opt to go through the pre-qualification or “intent to apply” process. There is a **\$500 non-refundable fee associated with pre-qualification**. This fee may count towards the \$1,000 application fee if the applicant seeks full licensure within one year.

### Other Fees

#### Cannabis Establishment Identification Cards

ID Cards, issued by the Board, are required for everyone working at a licensed cannabis establishment. Owners and principals are issued ID cards as a part of the application and licensing process. Employees must be issued an ID card separately from the licensure process.

Annual fee for Cannabis Establishment ID Card: **\$50 per card**, paid by either the employee or cannabis establishment.

#### Local Licensing Fees

**\$100**, paid to the Board and distributed to the municipality where the cannabis establishment is licensed.

### Product Licensing

**\$50** per type of cannabis and cannabis product sold by retailers and integrated licensees. This fee is paid once annually for a product.

### Information for Social Equity Applicants

All licensing and application fees are waived for the first year that a social equity applicant is licensed.

In subsequent years, licensing fees are reduced by this schedule:

- Year 2: Licensee pays 25% of fee
- Year 3: Licensee pays 50% of fee
- Year 4: Licensee pays 75% of fee
- Year 5: Licensee pays full fee

Please note: Social Equity Applicants must pay the full \$500 “intent to apply” fee, should they choose to seek pre-qualification. If they choose to seek pre-qualification, their \$500 fee will count as a credit towards future licensing fees in their second year and beyond, if relevant.