

Date: March 8, 2021

To: All LCRB staff  
All Licensees  
All Industry Associations  
All Local Government, First Nations, and police agencies

**Re: Changes to the Cannabis Retail Store Terms & Conditions Handbook**

**Please note:** This Policy Directive references several minor changes to the Cannabis Retail Store Terms and Conditions Handbook

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## **1. Donations**

Amendments have been made to provide clarity that licensees may collect money for charitable organizations through a Point of Sale (POS) system or containers placed near the point of sale and hold the money in trust until remitting the entire amount to the beneficiary. Licensees may not profit, recover administrative costs, or receive any benefits from the money collected.

## **2. Correction**

Information in the Minors section has been amended as follows:

"Cannabis, and cannabis accessories must not be visible to minors from outside the store."

This was missed in a previous revision of the handbook (See Policy Directive [20-15](#)).

## **3. Minor edits**

The words "(when this becomes available)" that follow the phrase "responsible training information" have been deleted as responsible training information is now available. (p. 11).

Two broken hyperlinks replaced (p. 20).

The requirements from the "Store Layout" section (**p. 12**) about visibility of cannabis from outside of CRS's have been deleted, as they are duplicated from the "Minors" section (**p. 6**).

#### **4. Clarification**

Added clarification that cannabis accessories include items used both directly and indirectly in the consumption of cannabis, based on recent legal opinion.

Added clarification that shopping bags can contain cannabis and cannabis accessories packaged together as a 'gift basket' including any incidental decorative packing such as cellophane, bows, and ribbons.

#### **Further Information**

Further information regarding liquor and cannabis control and licensing in British Columbia is available on the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch website at <http://www.gov.bc.ca/liquorregulationandlicensing>

If you have any questions regarding these changes, please contact the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch toll free in Canada at 1-866-209-2111 or 250 952-5787 if calling from the Victoria area.

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