

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE AMENDMENTS

**Public Hearing.** The New Mexico Regulation and Licensing Department (RLD), Cannabis Control Division (CCD), will hold a public rule hearing on Friday, August 12, 2022, at 9:00am. Due to the ongoing public health concerns posed by the threat of the contagious disease COVID-19, the rule hearing will be virtual via an Internet-based video conference and via telephone. A PDF of the proposed rule and meeting details may be accessed through the Cannabis Control Division website: <https://ccd.rld.state.nm.us> or from Terry Last at the contact below.

**Purpose of Rule Hearing.** The purpose of the public rule hearing is to receive public commentary to make amendments to existing rules. Proposed rule amendments will establish cannabis licensee health and safety rules that were previously promulgated on an emergency basis. Additional amendments will add rules related to the labeling of cannabis and cannabis products that have been tested according to required tests.

Any technical information used to inform the proposed rules will be accessible by visiting:  
<https://ccd.rld.state.nm.us/>.

**Statutory Authority.** Legal authority for this rulemaking may be found the Cannabis Regulation Act, NMSA 1978 Section 26-2C-1 through Section 26-2C-42 NMSA (2021). Additional authority may be found at NMSA 1978 Section 9-7-6(E) (2017) and at NMSA 9-16-6 (2021).

**Public Comment.** The Division will begin accepting public comment on the proposed rules beginning Tuesday July 12, 2022. Please submit written comments on the proposed rules to Robert Sachs, Deputy Director of Policy for the Cannabis Control Division, via electronic mail at [ccd.publiccomment@state.nm.us](mailto:ccd.publiccomment@state.nm.us). Written comment may also be submitted by visiting the Division website at [ccd.rld.state.nm.us](https://ccd.rld.state.nm.us) or by mailing the comment to the following address:

Cannabis Control Division  
Public Comment  
c/o Robert Sachs  
P.O. Box 25101  
Santa Fe, NM  
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All written public comments must be received by 5:00pm on Friday, August 12, 2022. Persons will also be given the opportunity to present their comments at the rule hearing. Comments received prior to the rule hearing will be posted to the RLD website at: [ccd.rld.state.nm.us](https://ccd.rld.state.nm.us).

No later than July 12, 2022, interested parties may obtain and review copies of the proposed rules and public comments by going to the Cannabis Control Division website at <https://ccd.rld.state.nm.us/> or by contacting the Cannabis Control Division at [rld.cannabiscontrol@state.nm.us](mailto:rld.cannabiscontrol@state.nm.us) or (505) 476-4995.

Any individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing should contact Terry Last, Executive Assistant for the Cannabis Control Division, [rld.cannabiscontrol@state.nm.us](mailto:rld.cannabiscontrol@state.nm.us) or (505) 476-4995 at least seven (7) days prior to the hearing.

### Summary of Proposed New Rules.

#### **16.8.3 NMAC: PACKAGING, LABELING, ADVERTISING, MARKETING, AND COMMERCIAL DISPLAY REQUIREMENTS FOR CANNABIS PRODUCTS**

Part 3 provides the requirements related to packing, labeling, and commercial display of cannabis products as well as advertising and marketing requirements for licensees. The proposed rules to be discussed at the hearing will include proposed rules related to packaging and labeling requirements for cannabis products.

**16.8.6 NMAC: HEALTH AND SAFETY, FOOD AND PRODUCT SAFETY, ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS, AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

Part 6 will provide the requirements for licensee compliance with necessary standards in health and safety, food and product safety, environmental impacts, and natural resources.