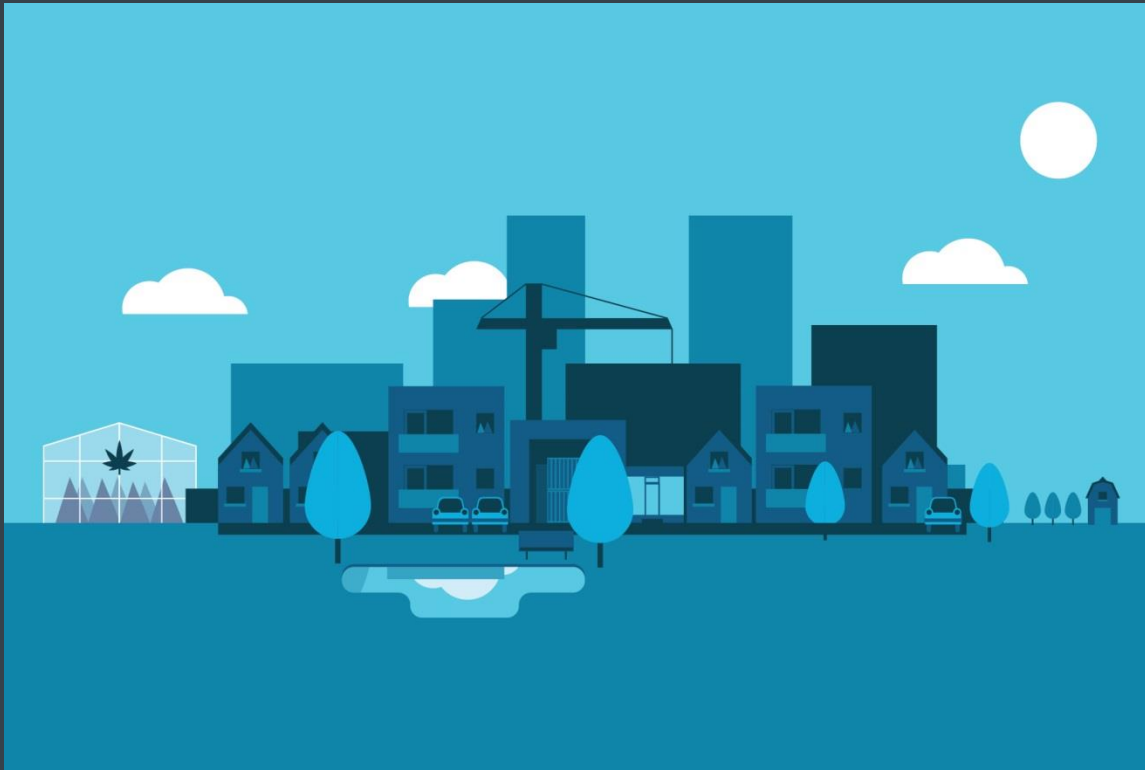


Alberta's System for Legalized Cannabis



Cannabis Milestones

- **April 2017:** Federal legislation proposed to legalize cannabis by summer 2018
- **June 2017:** Alberta began public engagement
- **Oct. 2017:** Alberta released draft Alberta Cannabis Framework for public feedback
- **Nov. 2017:** *Introduced an Act to Control and Regulate Cannabis, 2017*
- **Feb. 2018:** Regulations for retail system released
- **March 2018:** AGLC began accepting retail applications
- **April 2018:** *Introduced Gaming and Liquor Statutes Amendment Act, 2018*

Federal Legislation

If passed, federal legislation to legalize cannabis will:



allow adults to possess up to 30 grams of legally-produced cannabis



allow adults to grow up to four cannabis plants per household



set the minimum age for possession at 18, with the option for provinces to increase the age limit



enable a regulatory regime for the licensed production of cannabis, which would be overseen by the federal government

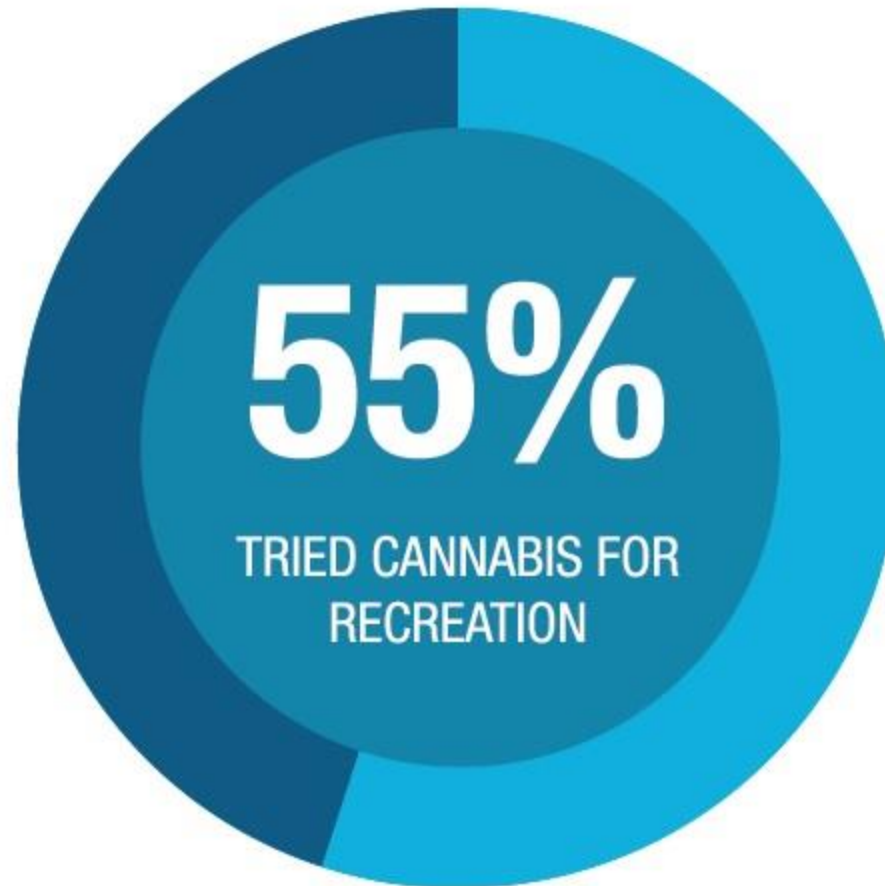


enable a regulatory regime for the distribution and sale of cannabis, which would be overseen by the provincial government



establish new provisions to address drug-impaired driving, as well as make several changes to the overall legal framework to address alcohol impaired driving

Cannabis Use in Alberta



Engagement Process

- June and July: Albertans provided input that guided the draft framework
- October: Albertans provided feedback on the system proposed in the framework
 - Three quarters of those surveyed supported the draft framework
 - More than 60,000 Albertans participated in online surveys
 - More than 100 organizations also shared their feedback & expertise
 - Detailed engagement results are online

Policy Priorities

- Keeping cannabis out of the hands of children and youth
- Protecting public health
- Promoting safety on roads, in workplaces and in public spaces
- Limiting the illegal cannabis market

The Future of Cannabis in Alberta

The rules around cannabis in Alberta once it is legal in summer 2018.



LICENSED GROWERS

Strictly regulated by the federal government.



PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT

The Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission (AGLC) directly manages how cannabis gets from the licensed grower to the retailer.



AGLC-OPERATED ONLINE SALES

Age verification occurs at point of sale and at delivery.



WORKPLACE

Alberta is reviewing all existing regulations and programs to ensure rules continue to address impairment at work.



PRIVATE CANNABIS RETAIL STORES

May only sell cannabis and cannabis accessories. Minors are prohibited from entering cannabis stores, even if accompanied by an adult.



ADVERTISING

Product advertising will only be allowed inside cannabis stores.



DRIVING

Police are able to suspend licences and seize vehicles if people drive impaired, including impairment by cannabis.



POSSESSION

Adults can possess up to 30 grams of legal cannabis in public.

PUBLIC CONSUMPTION

Smoking and vaping cannabis are prohibited in areas frequented by kids and other public places where smoking tobacco is prohibited.



HOME

Each household is allowed to grow up to four plants. Landlord and tenant agreements or condo bylaws can be used to set rules for consumption and growing.



OWNERS AND STAFF

Must undergo extensive background checks. Qualified employees must be 18 and undertake training.



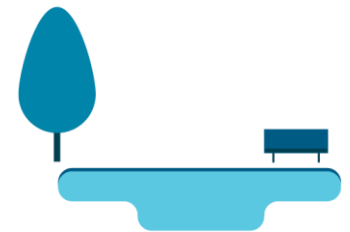
Minimum Age

- The legal age to possess, purchase or consume cannabis in Alberta will be 18 years old
 - Consistent with the legal age for tobacco and alcohol
 - Other provinces also aligning to drinking age
 - Aligning with drinking age consistent with recommendations of the Federal Taskforce findings and U.S. jurisdictions that have legalized



Public Use

- Cannabis use will be restricted to protect children and limit second-hand exposure
 - Smoking or vaping cannabis will be banned anywhere smoking tobacco is banned
 - Smoking or vaping cannabis will also be banned:
 - On hospital grounds
 - On school properties (both private and public)
 - On child care facility property
 - Near areas frequented by children, such as playgrounds, sports or playing fields, skateboard or bicycle parks, outdoor pools, splash pads, zoos, and outdoor theatres
 - No consumption in vehicles



Possession Limits

- 30 grams for adults
 - Consistent with public possession limits in all other jurisdictions
 - Also the transaction limit for how much a person can buy at one time
- Alberta will have zero tolerance for youth possession
 - Possession of 5 grams or less will be subject to seizure, notification of parents or guardians and/or a ticket
 - Possession over 5 grams is subject to criminal sanctions under federal legislation



Growing Cannabis Plants at Home

- Alberta will maintain federal limit on number of plants per household
 - Limit is 4 per household (not per person)
- Landlord and tenant agreements/condo bylaws can set rules for growing
- Legislation enables further restrictions if needed



Drug-Impaired Driving

- Province introduced legislation to address drug-impaired driving and align with new criminal offences in federal Bill C-46
 - Zero tolerance for cannabis for those in the Graduated Licensing Program
 - Administrative sanctions for impaired driving (vehicle seizures, licence suspensions and remedial education) will also apply to cannabis
- Public education will play an important role



Oversight and Distribution

- AGLC has mandate for oversight, compliance and distribution of non-medical cannabis in Alberta
 - Will ensure only legally produced, federally regulated cannabis products are sold in Alberta
 - Will license private retailers and enforce regulations



Online Sales

- Albertans will be able to purchase cannabis online immediately following legalization from a public online store
- AGLC will directly operate online sales, ensuring:
 - All purchasers are of legal age
 - Products are available even if retail outlets aren't set up right away in some communities
 - Albertans can differentiate between legal and illegal online sales, ensuring secure, safe products



Private Cannabis Retail Stores

- Only specialized cannabis stores licensed by the AGLC will be allowed to sell cannabis products
 - Licence application forms are available at aglc.ca/cannabis
 - Retailers will need to undergo background checks
 - No licences to anyone linked to organized crime, or with history of drug trafficking
 - Not automatically disqualified for minor cannabis possession
 - Licences will need to be renewed annually
- No single person, business or organization can have more than 15% of retail licences across the province
 - Allows a level playing field for large and small business
 - Government review of system in the future



Private Cannabis Retail Stores

- Strong oversight and provincewide rules:
 - No co-location with alcohol, tobacco or pharmaceuticals
 - Standard provincial setback distances and hours
 - Standardized training for all retail staff, staff must be 18 and undergo criminal record check
 - Employees must be Qualified Workers
 - applications will be available May 1 at algc.ca/cannabis



Private Cannabis Retail Stores

- Mandatory security measures in all stores
 - Alarms, video surveillance and secured product storage
 - Product can only be displayed in a locked display case and accessed by retail workers when store is open
 - No use or consumption onsite
 - Approved smell/viewing containers will be permitted



Federal Packaging Requirements

EXAMPLE

OF PROPOSED PACKAGING AND LABELLING REQUIREMENTS

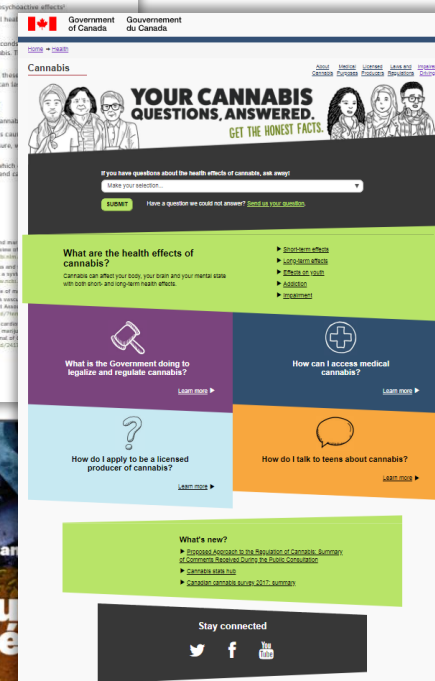


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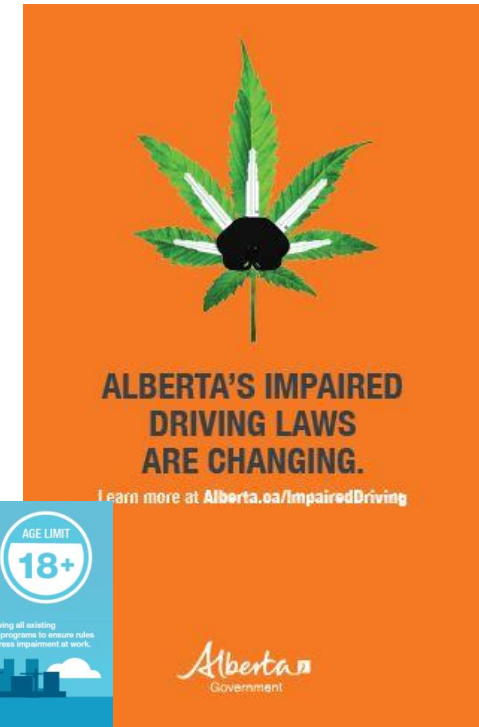
Public Education – Federal Campaigns

- Health facts and drug-impaired driving
- Targeting teens and youths
- Paid ads:
 - Cinema, out-of-home on campuses
- Paid and non-paid posts on social media:
 - Facebook messenger, chatbox,
 - web banners
 - Twitter
- Web portal: Canada.ca/cannabis



Public education themes

- Health facts
- Use responsibly
- Know the rules
- Drug-impaired driving
- Purchase legally, online



Next Steps and Implementation

- Work is underway to support implementation
- Workplace safety engagement ongoing
- Ongoing work with federal government, provinces and territories
 - Details of federal regulations on production licensing, packaging, and other issues still being finalized
 - Regulations to allow edible products expected within a year