


LEGALIZING AND STRICTLY REGULATING CANNABIS

The proposed Cannabis Act sets out a system for legalizing, strictly regulating and restricting access to cannabis

INDUSTRY	RULES & SAFEGUARDS	ENFORCEMENT
<p>CULTIVATION</p> 	<p>FEDERAL</p> <p>The federal government would license production and set industry-wide rules and standards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physical and personnel security requirements Sanitary production requirements Prohibition on use of unauthorized pesticides 	<p>FEDERAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct inspections Issue licenses or permits Order testing and analysis Order the production of information Order product recalls Assess administrative monetary penalties (up to \$1 million) Add conditions to, or suspend or revoke licenses
<p>MANUFACTURING</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Product testing (e.g. THC levels, contaminants) Physical and personnel security requirements Product safety and quality standards: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standardized serving sizes and potency No products appealing to youth Packaging and labelling (e.g. childproof, warnings) Restrictions on use of ingredients and additives (e.g. nicotine, caffeine) Sanitary production practices 	
<p>DISTRIBUTION</p> 	<p>PROVINCIAL/TERRITORIAL</p> <p>Provinces and territories have the power to take responsibility for authorizing distribution and sale by enacting legislation that meets the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sell only cannabis that has been produced by a federally licensed producer Sell cannabis only to persons over the age of 18 years Keep appropriate records in relation to sale of cannabis Take adequate measures to reduce the risk that cannabis will be diverted to the illicit market 	<p>PROVINCIAL AND TERRITORIAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Authorization and inspection regime to be determined by provincial/territorial/municipal governments
<p>RETAIL</p> 	<p>Provinces and territories have power to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase minimum age in their jurisdiction Lower the possession limit in their jurisdiction Enact additional rules for home cultivation, including lower plant limit Restrict where cannabis may be consumed (in public, in vehicles, etc.) 	

ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION RESTRICTIONS

CANNABIS TRACKING SYSTEM

Subject to Parliamentary approval and Royal Assent, the Government of Canada intends to provide regulated and restricted access to cannabis:

- Allow the personal cultivation of cannabis at home, up to 4 plants per residence, from legal seeds/seedlings
- Adults would be able to purchase cannabis from a provincially or territorially authorized retailer. In provinces or territories that do not have a fully functional retail system established by the time the Act comes into force, adults would be able to purchase cannabis directly from a licensed producer.

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