



DENVER
THE MILE HIGH CITY

Marijuana Transporter & Off-Site Storage Licenses

**Excise and Licenses/
Office of Marijuana Policy**

**Marijuana Special Issues Committee
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- 2016 Colorado legislative session created two new types of marijuana licenses:
 - Marijuana Transporter
 - Marijuana Operator
- **House Bill 16-1211**
 - Marijuana Transporter means an entity or person that is licensed to transport marijuana and marijuana infused products from one marijuana establishment to another marijuana establishment and to temporarily store the transported marijuana at its licensed premises, but is not authorized to sell marijuana under any circumstances.
- **House Bill 16-1261**
 - A Marijuana Establishment Operator means an entity or person that is not an owner and that is licensed to provide professional operational services to a retail marijuana establishment for direct remuneration from the retail marijuana establishment.

- Similar to other State of Colorado marijuana licenses, Denver has the ability to require a corresponding local license.

Proposed ordinance creates two new license types:

Marijuana Transporter

Marijuana Off-Site Storage

- Why not create a Denver Operator license?
 - The Marijuana Operator license is more like an occupational badge (currently provided only by the State Marijuana Enforcement Division).
 - There are no additional licensed premises for an Operator other than a “headquarters” (an office space).
 - Existing tools for enforcement are sufficient (can take action against the underlying marijuana business)

- Why create a Denver Transporter and Off-Site Storage license?
 - Marijuana Transporters have a main licensed premise and may also have an unlimited number of off-site storage locations.
 - Creating a local license will allow for tracking, regulating and monitoring of the Denver-based Transporter licensed premise
 - Non-Denver Transporters may also have an off-site storage location in Denver and creating a local Marijuana Off-Site Storage license provides a mechanism to also track, monitor and regulate these licensed premises.
 - There was also an existing need for other types of marijuana businesses in Denver to obtain off-site storage locations.
 - Marijuana Off-site Storage licenses could be tied to a Denver-based marijuana business licenses (e.g., A Denver-based MJ Grow, Store or MIP).

- Who needs a Marijuana Transporter license in Denver?
 - Currently licensed MJ Transporter by the State of Colorado MED with a licensed premise in Denver
- Who does NOT need a Marijuana Transporter license?
 - A Marijuana store/grow/MIP can still transport product without a Transporter license.
- What can be done within the Transporter licensed premise?
 - Storage of finished goods inventory
 - Cannot open sealed packages or containers of MJ
 - Cannot sell, cultivate, manufacture, process, test, or consume any MJ
 - Storage of goods is limited to 7 days before it must be returned to a non-Transporter licensed premise
- What does the Denver Transporter License cost?
 - Retail: \$5000 licensing fee, application fee paid through State (\$500)
 - Medical: \$2000 application fee, \$3000 license fee





➤ Who needs a Storage License in Denver?

- Currently licensed Denver MJ store, MJ grow, or MJ MIP that needs additional storage capacity
- Currently licensed non-Denver MJ Transporter with an off-site storage location in Denver.

➤ What can be done in an Off-site Storage licensed premise?

- Storage of finished goods inventory of the corresponding MJ business
- Cannot open sealed packages or containers of MJ
- Cannot sell, cultivate, manufacture, process, test, or consume any MJ
- License is an extension of the licensed premise of the associated business and will be surrendered, suspended or revoked if corresponding license is expired, surrendered, suspended or revoked.

➤ Number of permits allowed

- 1 Off-Site Storage License per associated license (MJ store, grow or MIP)
- Unlimited number of Off-Site Storage Licenses per transporter licenses

➤ What does the Denver Off-Site Storage License cost?

- Retail: \$5000 licensing fee, \$500 application fee
- Medical: \$2000 application fee, \$3000 license fee



General Requirements Marijuana Transporter and Storage Licenses

Existing requirement (for other marijuana licenses)	Marijuana Transporter	Marijuana Storage
One year expiration of application	✓	✓
Community Engagement Plan (retail only)	✓	✓
Allow co-location of medical and retail licenses	✓	✓
Ability to transfer location	✓	✓
RNO Notification of application in I-A and I-B zone districts	✓	✓
Compliance with Zoning (per zoning will have to be 500 feet from a residential zone district)	✓	✓ *
Odor Control Plans	⊘	⊘













✓ Required

⊘ Not required

* 500 foot restriction for I-A and I-B zone districts only



General Requirements Marijuana Transporter and Storage Licenses

Existing requirement (for other marijuana licenses)	Marijuana Transporter	Marijuana Storage
Ability to transfer ownership	 (not allowed per State statute)	 (allowed but only if associated business licenses also transfer ownership)
Public Hearings (Needs and Desires)		
Cap of licenses/locations		
Additional proximity restrictions		
Security and alarm systems		
Prohibit consumption on the licensed premise		

 Required
  Not required

➤ Ordinance also includes fixing several typos and inserting small edits to the following sections:

- Sec. 6-210
- Sec. 6-211
- Sec. 6-213
- Sec. 24-507
- Sec. 24-508
- Sec. 24-508.5
- Sec. 24-512
- Sec. 32-2
- Sec. 32-22

June 5:
Marijuana
Industry
Bulletin

June 8:
Marijuana
Industry
Check-In
Meeting

June 12:
MJ Special
Issues
Committee

Mid-July:
Complete
City Council
Legislative
Process

August:
Begin
accepting
applications



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Questions?