



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3719.01 Controlled substances definitions.

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As used in this chapter:

(A) "Administer" means the direct application of a drug, whether by injection, inhalation, ingestion, or any other means to a person or an animal.

(B) "Drug enforcement administration" means the drug enforcement administration of the United States department of justice or its successor agency.

(C) "Controlled substance" means a drug, compound, mixture, preparation, or substance included in schedule I, II, III, IV, or V.

(D) "Dangerous drug" has the same meaning as in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code.

(E) "Dispense" means to sell, leave with, give away, dispose of, or deliver.

(F) "Distribute" means to deal in, ship, transport, or deliver but does not include administering or dispensing a drug.

(G) "Drug" has the same meaning as in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code.

(H) "Drug abuse offense," "felony drug abuse offense," "cocaine," and "hashish" have the same meanings as in section 2925.01 of the Revised Code.

(I) "Federal drug abuse control laws" means the "Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970," 84 Stat. 1242, 21 U.S.C. 801, as amended.

(J) "Hospital" means an institution for the care and treatment of the sick and injured that is certified by the department of health and approved by the state board of pharmacy as proper to be entrusted



with the custody of controlled substances and the professional use of controlled substances.

(K) "Hypodermic" means a hypodermic syringe or needle, or other instrument or device for the injection of medication.

(L) "Isomer," except as otherwise expressly stated, means the optical isomer.

(M) "Laboratory" means a laboratory approved by the state board of pharmacy as proper to be entrusted with the custody of controlled substances and the use of controlled substances for scientific and clinical purposes and for purposes of instruction.

(N) "Manufacturer" means a person who manufactures a controlled substance, as "manufacture" is defined in section 3715.01 of the Revised Code.

(O) "Marihuana" means all parts of a plant of the genus *cannabis*, whether growing or not; the seeds of a plant of that type; the resin extracted from a part of a plant of that type; and every compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of a plant of that type or of its seeds or resin. "Marihuana" does not include the mature stalks of the plant, fiber produced from the stalks, oils or cake made from the seeds of the plant, or any other compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of the mature stalks, except the resin extracted from the mature stalks, fiber, oil or cake, or the sterilized seed of the plant that is incapable of germination. "Marihuana" does not include "hemp" or a "hemp product" as those terms are defined in section 928.01 of the Revised Code.

(P) "Narcotic drugs" means coca leaves, opium, isonipecaine, amidone, isoamidone, ketobemidone, as defined in this division, and every substance not chemically distinguished from them and every drug, other than *cannabis*, that may be included in the meaning of "narcotic drug" under the federal drug abuse control laws. As used in this division:

(1) "Coca leaves" includes cocaine and any compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of coca leaves, except derivatives of coca leaves, that does not contain cocaine, ecgonine, or substances from which cocaine or ecgonine may be synthesized or made.



- (2) "Isonipecaine" means any substance identified chemically as 1-methyl-4-phenyl-piperidine-4-carboxylic acid ethyl ester, or any salt thereof, by whatever trade name designated.
- (3) "Amidone" means any substance identified chemically as 4-4-diphenyl-6-dimethylamino-heptanone-3, or any salt thereof, by whatever trade name designated.
- (4) "Isoamidone" means any substance identified chemically as 4-4-diphenyl-5-methyl-6-dimethylaminohexanone-3, or any salt thereof, by whatever trade name designated.
- (5) "Ketobemidone" means any substance identified chemically as 4-(3-hydroxyphenyl)-1-methyl-4-piperidyl ethyl ketone hydrochloride, or any salt thereof, by whatever trade name designated.
- (Q) "Official written order" means an order written on a form provided for that purpose by the director of the United States drug enforcement administration, under any laws of the United States making provision for the order, if the order forms are authorized and required by federal law.
- (R) "Opiate" means any substance having an addiction-forming or addiction-sustaining liability similar to morphine or being capable of conversion into a drug having addiction-forming or addiction-sustaining liability. "Opiate" does not include, unless specifically designated as controlled under section 3719.41 of the Revised Code, the dextrorotatory isomer of 3-methoxy-N-methylmorphinan and its salts (dextro-methorphan). "Opiate" does include its racemic and levoratory forms.
- (S) "Opium poppy" means the plant of the species *papaver somniferum* L., except its seeds.
- (T) "Person" means any individual, corporation, government, governmental subdivision or agency, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, association, or other legal entity.
- (U) "Pharmacist" means a person licensed under Chapter 4729. of the Revised Code to engage in the practice of pharmacy.
- (V) "Pharmacy" has the same meaning as in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code.



(W) "Poison" means any drug, chemical, or preparation likely to be deleterious or destructive to adult human life in quantities of four grams or less.

(X) "Poppy straw" means all parts, except the seeds, of the opium poppy, after mowing.

(Y) "Licensed health professional authorized to prescribe drugs," "prescriber," and "prescription" have the same meanings as in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code.

(Z) "Registry number" means the number assigned to each person registered under the federal drug abuse control laws.

(AA) "Sale" includes delivery, barter, exchange, transfer, or gift, or offer thereof, and each transaction of those natures made by any person, whether as principal, proprietor, agent, servant, or employee.

(BB) "Schedule I," "schedule II," "schedule III," "schedule IV," and "schedule V" mean controlled substance schedules I, II, III, IV, and V, respectively, established pursuant to section 3719.41 of the Revised Code, as amended pursuant to section 3719.43 or 3719.44 of the Revised Code.

(CC) "Wholesaler" means a person who, on official written orders other than prescriptions, supplies controlled substances that the person has not manufactured, produced, or prepared personally and includes a "wholesale distributor of dangerous drugs" as defined in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code.

(DD) "Animal shelter" means a facility operated by a humane society or any society organized under Chapter 1717. of the Revised Code or a dog pound operated pursuant to Chapter 955. of the Revised Code.

(EE) "Terminal distributor of dangerous drugs" has the same meaning as in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code.

(FF) "Category III license" means a license issued to a terminal distributor of dangerous drugs as set forth in section 4729.54 of the Revised Code.



(GG) "Prosecutor" has the same meaning as in section 2935.01 of the Revised Code.

(HH)(1) "Controlled substance analog" means, except as provided in division (HH)(2) of this section, a substance to which both of the following apply:

(a) The chemical structure of the substance is substantially similar to the structure of a controlled substance in schedule I or II.

(b) One of the following applies regarding the substance:

(i) The substance has a stimulant, depressant, or hallucinogenic effect on the central nervous system that is substantially similar to or greater than the stimulant, depressant, or hallucinogenic effect on the central nervous system of a controlled substance in schedule I or II.

(ii) With respect to a particular person, that person represents or intends the substance to have a stimulant, depressant, or hallucinogenic effect on the central nervous system that is substantially similar to or greater than the stimulant, depressant, or hallucinogenic effect on the central nervous system of a controlled substance in schedule I or II.

(2) "Controlled substance analog" does not include any of the following:

(a) A controlled substance;

(b) Any substance for which there is an approved new drug application;

(c) With respect to a particular person, any substance if an exemption is in effect for investigational use for that person pursuant to federal law to the extent that conduct with respect to that substance is pursuant to that exemption;

(d) Any substance to the extent it is not intended for human consumption before the exemption described in division (HH)(2)(b) of this section takes effect with respect to that substance.



(II) "Benzodiazepine" means a controlled substance that has United States food and drug administration approved labeling indicating that it is a benzodiazepine, benzodiazepine derivative, triazolobenzodiazepine, or triazolobenzodiazepine derivative, including the following drugs and their varying salt forms or chemical congeners: alprazolam, chlordiazepoxide hydrochloride, clobazam, clonazepam, clorazepate, diazepam, estazolam, flurazepam hydrochloride, lorazepam, midazolam, oxazepam, quazepam, temazepam, and triazolam.

(JJ) "Opioid analgesic" means a controlled substance that has analgesic pharmacologic activity at the opioid receptors of the central nervous system, including the following drugs and their varying salt forms or chemical congeners: buprenorphine, butorphanol, codeine (including acetaminophen and other combination products), dihydrocodeine, fentanyl, hydrocodone (including acetaminophen combination products), hydromorphone, meperidine, methadone, morphine sulfate, oxycodone (including acetaminophen, aspirin, and other combination products), oxymorphone, tapentadol, and tramadol.

(KK) "Emergency facility" means a hospital emergency department or any other facility that provides emergency care.



Ohio Revised Code Section 3780.01 Definitions.

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Definitions.

(A) As used in this chapter:

- (1) "Adult use cannabis " or "cannabis " or "marijuana" means marihuana as defined in section 3719.01 of the Revised Code.
- (2) "Adult use cannabis operator" means a level I adult use cultivator, a level II adult use cultivator, a level III adult use cultivator, an adult use processor, and an adult use dispensary.
- (3) "Adult use consumer" means and individual who is at least twenty-one years of age.
- (4) "Adult use cultivator" means a level I adult use cultivator or a level II adult use cultivator.
- (5) "Adult use dispensary" means a person licensed pursuant section 3780.15 of the Revised Code, this chapter and any rules promulgated thereunder to sell adult use cannabis as authorized.
- (6) "Adult use extract" or "extract" means a substance obtained by separating or concentrating cannabinoids and other compounds from any part of the adult use cannabis plant by physical or chemical means, intended to be refined for use as an ingredient in an adult use cannabis product or as a standalone adult use cannabis product.
- (7) "Adult use processor" means a person licensed pursuant section 3780.14 of the Revised Code, this chapter and any rules promulgated thereunder to manufacture adult use cannabis as authorized.
- (8) "Adult use testing laboratory" means an independent laboratory located that has been issued a license by the division of cannabis control to have custody and use of adult use cannabis for scientific purposes and for purposes of instruction, research, or analysis.



- (9) "Advertising" means any written or verbal statement, illustration, or depiction created to induce sales through the use of or a combination of letters, pictures, objects, lighting effects, illustrations, videos, sounds, or other similar means. "Advertisement" includes brochures, promotional and other marketing materials consistent with section 3780.21 of the Revised Code.
- (10) "Applicant" means an individual or person who files an application for a license pursuant to this chapter.
- (11) "Certificate of operation" means a certification of operation or license issued by either the department of commerce or the state board of pharmacy to a person pursuant to Chapter 3796 of the Revised Code and Chapter 3796 of the Administrative Code.
- (12) "Confidential information" means information that is not a public record for purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code.
- (13) "Cultivate" means to grow, harvest, package, and transports adult use cannabis pursuant to this chapter.
- (14) "Cultivation area" means the boundaries of the enclosed areas in which adult use cannabis is cultivated during the vegetative stage and flowering stage of the cultivation process. For purposes of calculating the cultivation area square footage, enclosed areas used solely for the storage and maintenance of mother plants, clones, or seedlings shall not be included.
- (15) "Cultivation facility" means a facility where an adult use cultivator or a level III adult use cultivator is authorized to operate.
- (16) "Dispensary" means a person who has a certificate of operation to operate a dispensary under Chapter 3796 of the Revised Code and Chapter 3796 of the Administrative Code.
- (17) "Disqualifying offense" means:
- (a) A conviction or plea of guilty, including conspiracy to commit, attempt to commit, or aiding and



abetting another in committing, the following:

(i) Any offense set forth in Chapters 2925, 3719, or 4729 of the Revised Code, the violation of which constitutes a felony or a misdemeanor of the first degree;

(ii) Any theft offense set forth under division (K) in section 2913.01 of the Revised Code, the violation of which constitutes a felony;

(iii) Any violation for which a penalty was imposed under section 3715.99 of the Revised Code;

(iv) A crime of moral turpitude as defined in section 4776.10 of the Revised Code; or

(v) A violation of any former law of this state, any existing or former law of another state, any existing or former law applicable in a military court or Indian tribal court, or any existing or former law of any nation other than the United States that is or was substantially equivalent to any of the offenses listed in paragraphs (a)(i) to (a)(v) of this definition.

(b) Any first degree misdemeanor offense listed in paragraphs (a)(i) to (a)(v) of this definition will not automatically disqualify an applicant from licensure if the applicant was convicted of or pleaded guilty to the offense more than five years before the date the application for licensure is filed.

(c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) or (b) of this definition, no misdemeanor offense, including misdemeanors of the first degree, related to cannabis possession, cannabis trafficking, illegal cultivation of cannabis, illegal use or possession of drug paraphernalia or cannabis drug paraphernalia, or other cannabis related crimes shall be considered a disqualifying offense.

(18) "Director" means the director of the department of commerce.

(19) "Level I adult use cultivator" mean either a person who has a certificate of operation as a level I cultivator and who is licensed pursuant to section 3780.12 of the Revised Code, this chapter and any rules promulgated thereunder to cultivate adult use cannabis as authorized, or a person who is licensed as a level I adult use cultivator pursuant to section 3780.12 of the Revised Code, this chapter and any rules promulgated thereunder to cultivate adult use cannabis as authorized, and either person



may operate up to one hundred thousand square footage of space designated as the cultivation area in the application which may be increased if a request for expansion is approved by the division of cannabis control.

(20) "Level II adult use cultivator" mean either a person who has a certificate of operation as a level II cultivator and who is licensed pursuant to section 3780.12 of the Revised Code, this chapter and any rules promulgated thereunder to cultivate adult use cannabis as authorized, or a person who is licensed as a level II adult use cultivator pursuant to section 3780.12 of the Revised Code, this chapter and any rules promulgated thereunder to cultivate adult use cannabis as authorized, and either person may operate up to fifteen thousand square footage of space designated as the cultivation area in the application which may be increased if a request for expansion is approved by the division of cannabis control.

(21) "Level III adult use cultivator" means a person licensed pursuant section 3780.13 of the Revised Code, this chapter and any rules promulgated thereunder to cultivate adult use cannabis as authorized.

(22) "Level I cultivator" means a person who has a certificate of operation to operate as a level I cultivator under Chapter 3796 of the Revised Code and Chapter 3796 of the Administrative Code.

(23) "Level II cultivator" means a person who has a certificate of operation to operate as a level II cultivator under Chapter 3796 of the Revised Code and Chapter 3796 of the Administrative Code.

(24) "License" means a license by the division of cannabis control to a license applicant pursuant to chapter 3780 of the Revised Code and the rules adopted thereunder.

(25) "License applicant" means an individual or person who applies for a license under this chapter.

(26) "License holder" or "Licensee" means an adult use cannabis operator, adult use testing laboratory or an individual who is licensed under the provisions of chapter 3780 of the Revised Code.

(27) "Manufacture" means the process of converting harvested plant material into adult use extract



by physical or chemical means for use as an ingredient in an adult use cannabis product.

(28) "Medical provisional license" means a provisional license issued by either the department of commerce or the state board of pharmacy to a person pursuant to Chapter 3796 of the Revised Code and Chapter 3796 of the Administrative Code.

(29) "Minor cannabinoid" means any cannabinoid other than CBD, CBDa, Delta-9 THC or Delta 9 THCa, including any isomer, analogue, or derivative thereof, and any other cannabinoid that naturally occurs in cannabis, regardless of whether that cannabinoid may be naturally or synthetically derived, which may be used as an ingredient in adult use products.

(30) "Mother plant" means an adult use cannabis plant that is cultivated or maintained for the purpose of generating clones, and that will not be used to produce plant material for sale to an adult use processor or an adult use dispensary unless the plant is transferred into the cultivation area of the facility.

(31) "Paraphernalia" means any equipment, products, or materials of any kind which are used, intended for use, or designed for use in planting, propagating, cultivating, growing, harvesting, composting, manufacturing, compounding, converting, producing, processing, preparing, testing, analyzing, packaging, repackaging, storing, vaporizing, or containing cannabis, or for ingesting, inhaling, or otherwise introducing cannabis into the human body.

(32) "Person" includes, but is not limited to, an individual or a combination of individuals; a sole proprietorship, a firm, a company, a joint venture, a partnership of any type, a joint-stock company, a corporation of any type, a corporate subsidiary of any type, a limited liability company, a business trust, or any other business entity or organization; an assignee; a receiver; a trustee in bankruptcy; an unincorporated association, club, society, or other unincorporated entity or organization; entities that are disregarded for federal income tax purposes; and any other nongovernmental, artificial, legal entity that is capable of engaging in business.

(33) "Primary residence" means the residence of an individual in which the individual's habitation is fixed and to which, whenever the person is absent, the person has the intention of returning.



(34) "Processor" means a person who has been issued a processing certificate of operation pursuant to Chapter 3796 of the Revised Code and Chapter 3796 of the Administrative Code.

(35) "Prohibited facility" means any church, public library, public playground, public park, or school, as defined in section 3796.30 of the Revised Code.

(36) "Provisional license" means a temporary license issued to an applicant for an individual license that establishes the conditions that must be met by the licensee before the individual is issued a license in accordance with the requirements and conditions set forth in chapter 3780 of the Revised Code and the rules adopted thereunder.

(37) "Tetrahydrocannabinol" or "THC" means the sum of the amount of delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) and 87.7 per cent of the amount of delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinolic acid (THCA) present in the product or plant material. THC does not include minor cannabinoids.



Ohio Revised Code Section 3796.01 Definitions.

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(A) As used in this chapter:

- (1) "Marijuana" means marihuana as defined in section 3719.01 of the Revised Code.
- (2) "Medical marijuana" means marijuana that is cultivated, processed, dispensed, tested, possessed, or used for a medical purpose.
- (3) "Academic medical center" has the same meaning as in section 4731.297 of the Revised Code.
- (4) "Drug database" means the database established and maintained by the state board of pharmacy pursuant to section 4729.75 of the Revised Code.
- (5) "Physician" means an individual authorized under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery.
- (6) "Qualifying medical condition" means any of the following:
 - (a) Acquired immune deficiency syndrome;
 - (b) Alzheimer's disease;
 - (c) Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis;
 - (d) Cancer;
 - (e) Chronic traumatic encephalopathy;
 - (f) Crohn's disease;



- (g) Epilepsy or another seizure disorder;
- (h) Fibromyalgia;
- (i) Glaucoma;
- (j) Hepatitis C;
- (k) Inflammatory bowel disease;
- (l) Multiple sclerosis;
- (m) Pain that is either of the following:
 - (i) Chronic and severe;
 - (ii) Intractable.
- (n) Parkinson's disease;
- (o) Positive status for HIV;
- (p) Post-traumatic stress disorder;
- (q) Sickle cell anemia;
- (r) Spinal cord disease or injury;
- (s) Tourette's syndrome;
- (t) Traumatic brain injury;



(u) Ulcerative colitis;

(v) Any other disease or condition added by the state medical board under section 4731.302 of the Revised Code.

(7) "State university" has the same meaning as in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code.

(B) Notwithstanding any conflicting provision of Chapter 3719. of the Revised Code or the rules adopted under it, for purposes of this chapter, medical marijuana is a schedule II controlled substance.
