



## State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy Form and Method of Administration Rules

### Overview

As one of three state agencies responsible for developing, implementing and overseeing the Ohio Medical Marijuana Control Program, the Board of Pharmacy is tasked with developing rules that will govern the authorized forms and methods of administering medical marijuana. The primary focus of the rules is to develop a program that ensures: 1) the safety of the public; 2) access to a safe medical product; and 3) scalability to allow the program to respond to changes in demand.

The draft rules presented to the Medical Marijuana Advisory Committee were developed after a thorough review of other state laws, consultation with regulators in other states, and talking with industry experts.

### Highlights

Highlights of the rules include:

- **New forms and methods of administration:** Establishes a petition process through which new forms and method of administration may be approved.
- **Forms considered attractive to children:** Bars the use of cartoon characters, resemblance to commercially available candy, and fruit shapes; prohibits characterizing flavors in oils for vaping other than menthol and flavors that mimic strain flavors. Vaporizing is prohibited for patients under 18.
- **90-day supply:** The best available clinical research was balanced against best practices in other states to develop a 90-day supply based on THC content across all forms.

Form	90-Day Supply
Tier I plant material: 0 – 23% THC	6 ounces of plant material
Tier II plant material: 23.1 - 35% THC	4 ounces of plant material
Oils for vaporizing	40.5 grams of THC
Patches for transdermal administration	19.8 grams of THC
Edibles, oils, and tinctures for oral administration	9 grams of THC



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## **Next Steps**

The medical marijuana form and method of administration rules will follow the standard rule development process. After receiving input from the Medical Marijuana Advisory Committee and the public, the rules will be submitted to the Common Sense Initiative, then the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review. The public may provide comment at several points throughout the rule development process. The first opportunity is February 23<sup>rd</sup> – March 10<sup>th</sup>. For more information on providing comments, visit: <http://medicalmarijuana.ohio.gov/Rules>.

For more information on the Medical Marijuana Control Program, including how to sign up for program updates, visit: [medicalmarijuana.ohio.gov](http://medicalmarijuana.ohio.gov).