



Cannabis Business License Application Process Update

You are receiving this notice because your email address was listed as the primary contact on one or more cannabis business license applications. The Maryland Cannabis Administration (the "MCA") is providing this notice to update applicants on the cannabis business license application process.

The MCA anticipates notifying applicants of the status of their application by **February 12, 2024**. All applicants will receive a notice, via email to the primary contact email address associated with the application, as to whether their application meets the minimum requirements for licensing and will be entered into the lottery. Notices will be issued to all applicants on the same day, following the MCA's completed review of all applications.

Applications that meet minimum requirements for licensing

Any application that meets the minimum requirements will be eligible for the lottery in the region/county to which the application was submitted.

Applications that fail to meet minimum requirements for licensing

Any application that fails to meet the minimum requirements for licensing will not be eligible for the lottery. Pursuant to MCA regulations, any applicant who fails to meet the minimum requirements for licensing will receive the opportunity to request a records review within 10 days of notice that their application is not eligible for the lottery. A records review is an opportunity for an applicant to view the specific grounds on which their application failed to meet the minimum requirements for licensing. Applicants will receive information on the process to request a "records review," if interested, in the notice.

Subsequent notices

Eligible applicants will receive additional information on the lottery, including their lottery number, date of lottery, and how to view the lottery. This information will be shared in separate notices after February 12, 2024. The MCA will also post information about the lottery date and methods for viewing the lottery on its website.

As a reminder, the MCA will not conduct the lottery until after the completion of the records reviews requested by any failed applicants.