

Final Action on Regulations

Symbol Key

- Roman type indicates text already existing at the time of the proposed action.
- *Italic type* indicates new text added at the time of proposed action.
- Single underline, italic indicates new text added at the time of final action.
- Single underline, roman indicates existing text added at the time of final action.
- ~~[[Double brackets]]~~ indicate text deleted at the time of final action.

Title 14 INDEPENDENT AGENCIES Subtitle 17 MARYLAND CANNABIS ADMINISTRATION

Notice of Final Action

[26-078-F]

On August 13, 2026, the Maryland Cannabis Administration adopted:

(1) Amendments to Regulation .01 under COMAR 14.17.01
Definitions;

(2) Amendments to Regulation .05 under COMAR 14.17.05
Application Process and Issuance of Licenses;

(3) Amendments to Regulations .03 and .09 and new Regulation .10 and under **COMAR 14.17.10 Cannabis Grower Operations**;

(4) Amendments to Regulations .03 and .04 under **COMAR 14.17.12 Cannabis Dispensary Operations**;

(5) New Regulation .13 under **COMAR 14.17.13 Cannabis Products**;

(6) Amendments to Regulations .02 and .07 and new Regulation .08 under **COMAR 14.17.18 Finished Product Packaging**; and

(7) Amendments to Regulations .02 and .09 under **COMAR 14.17.22 Hearing Procedures**.

This action, which was proposed for adoption in 53:13 Md. R. 610—613 (June 26, 2026), has been adopted with the nonsubstantive changes shown below.

Effective Date: September 14, 2026.

Attorney General's Certification

In accordance with State Government Article, §10-113, Annotated Code of Maryland, the Attorney General certifies that the following changes do not differ substantively from the proposed text. The nature of the changes and the basis for this conclusion are as follows:

COMAR 14.17.01.01B(52-1): MCA is clarifying the definition of sublingual pouch.

COMAR 14.17.05.05C(4)(a)(iii): MCA is clarifying acceptable documentation of good faith effort of active interest in a premises to better articulate its intent.

COMAR 14.17.13.13B(1): MCA is clarifying the proposed language to use terms defined in regulation.

COMAR 14.17.18.08E: MCA is renumbering to correct a typo in the proposed text.

14.17.01 Definitions

Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis Article, §36-101, Annotated Code of Maryland

.01 Definitions.

A. (proposed text unchanged)

B. Terms Defined

(1)—(32) (proposed text unchanged)

(32-1) (proposed text unchanged)

(33)—(52) (proposed text unchanged)

(52-1) “Sublingual pouch” means a permeable sachet containing concentrated cannabis ~~[[concentrate]]~~ product that is intended to be dissolved in the mouth and absorbed buccally or sublingually.

(53)—(58) (proposed text unchanged)

14.17.05 Application Process and Issuance of Licenses

Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis Article, §§36-202, 36-401, 36-404, and 36-505, Annotated Code of Maryland

.05 Issuance of a License or Rescission of a Conditional License.

A.—B. (proposed text unchanged)

C. Conditional License Period.

(1)—(3) (proposed text unchanged)

(4) *Conditional License Extension Requests.*

(a) *The conditional licensee shall submit, in a manner determined by the Administration, documentation of active interest in a premise which shall identify the proposed site by address, include explicit use for a cannabis business, and be signed by the conditional licensee and the premises owner:*

(i)—(ii) (proposed text unchanged)

(iii) *Documentation evidencing permission ~~[[to]]~~ for use of a premises for cannabis ~~[[purposes]]~~ operations.*

(b) (proposed text unchanged)

(5)—(8) (proposed text unchanged)

D.—H. (proposed text unchanged)

14.17.13 Cannabis Products

Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis Article, §§36-202, 36-203, and 36-203.1, Annotated Code of Maryland

.13 Sublingual Pouches.

A. (proposed text unchanged)

B. *A sublingual pouch may only include:*

(1) *A concentrated cannabis ~~[[concentrate]]~~ product; and*

(2) (proposed text unchanged)

C. (proposed text unchanged)

14.17.18 Finished Product Packaging

Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis Article, §§36-202, 36-203, and 36-203.1, Annotated Code of Maryland

.08 Sublingual Pouch Packaging and Labeling.

A—D. (proposed text unchanged)

~~[[F.]]~~ E. (proposed text unchanged)

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