Medical Marijuana Program Bulletin 2020-8

Rotating Warnings

This Bulletin is issued by the Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation (“DBR”), Office of Cannabis Regulation (“OCR”) to provide guidance regarding rotating warnings schedule and application for medical marijuana products offered for sale at a Compassion Center. This guidance is issued in accordance with Rhode Island General Laws § 21-28.6-12 et seq., and the Rules and Regulations Related to the Medical Marijuana Program Administered by the Department of Business Regulation 230-RICR-80-5-1, as amended (the “Regulations”). This document should not replace a thorough reading of the rules found here: https://rules.sos.ri.gov/regulations/part/230-80-05-1.

Pursuant to § 1.5.6(C) of the Regulations, rotating warnings must accompany all retail-ready medical marijuana products at the point of sale.

This may include:

1. A sticker placed on each product at the point of sale displaying the warning;
2. A printout on the receipt for each patient/caregiver/authorized purchaser displaying the warning;
3. A printout at the register area where medical marijuana products are purchased which must display the designated rotating warning in text no smaller than size 20 and bolded; OR
4. A rotating warning display plan approved by DBR.

The rotating warnings schedule is below:

**September 2020 - November 2020**
1. “Warning: Marijuana has intoxicating effects and may be habit forming and addictive.”

**December 2020 - February 2021**
2. “Warning: Do not operate a vehicle or machinery under the influence of marijuana.”

**March 2021 - May 2021**
3. “Warning: Marijuana should not be used by women that are pregnant or breastfeeding.”

**June 2021 - August 2021**
4. “Warning: Early and frequent cannabis use has been associated with the onset of psychosis.”

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