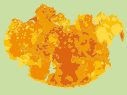


Cannabis in NYC: What Is Legal?

Cannabis (marijuana) is legal for adult use in New York State (NYS).



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Adults age 21 and older may have and share (but not sell) up to 3 ounces of cannabis flower or bud, and up to 24 grams of concentrated cannabis such as oils or vapes.



Smoking Area

Adults age 21 and older may smoke or vape cannabis in most places where tobacco smoking is permitted.



New York's medical cannabis program has been expanded. For information about the changes, visit cannabis.ny.gov/medical-cannabis.



Cannabis sales are allowed only at NYS-licensed dispensaries. For up-to-date information about legally purchasing cannabis, including dispensary locations, visit cannabis.ny.gov/adult-use.


Who can legally have cannabis, and how much can they have?

- Adults age 21 and older can have up to 3 ounces of cannabis flower or bud, and up to 24 grams of concentrated cannabis (such as oils and vapes).
- It is not legal for anyone younger than age 21 to have, use or share cannabis.

Can people share, sell or trade cannabis?

- Adults age 21 and older can share up to 3 ounces of cannabis flower and up to 24 grams of concentrated cannabis with other adults age 21 and older for their personal use.
- It is not legal for anyone to:
 - Have or share more than 3 ounces of cannabis flower or more than 24 grams of concentrated cannabis
 - Sell or trade any amount of cannabis without a license
 - Give or sell any amount of cannabis to people younger than age 21

Is it legal to drive after using cannabis or use cannabis inside a car?

- No. It is not legal to drive while impaired or under the influence of cannabis. 
- It is also not legal to use cannabis inside a car, even as a passenger or while parked.

Where is cannabis smoking or vaping not allowed in New York?

- Smoking or vaping cannabis is not permitted in these locations: 
 - Public areas of buildings
 - Parks
 - Beaches and boardwalks
 - Public golf courses
 - Inside and on the grounds of sports stadiums
 - Pedestrian plazas
 - Public gardens
 - Restaurants
 - Bars
 - Cars and other motor vehicles (even while parked)
 - Schools

- Under federal law, it is still not legal to possess or use cannabis in any form on federal property. The NYS law outlined in this fact sheet does not apply on any federal property.
- Some private buildings prohibit smoking and vaping inside units. While property owners can prohibit cannabis smoking and vaping in their building, they cannot ban the use of edibles or the possession of legal amounts of cannabis inside your home.
- NYCHA housing developments have smoke-free policies that ban smoking and vaping tobacco and cannabis on the property. Public housing that is part of a federal program falls under federal law prohibiting the possession and use of cannabis and cannabis products.



Where can I find more information?

For more information about the law and penalties for violations, visit cannabis.ny.gov/adult-use-information and click on **What Is in the Law About Cannabis: Penal Law**.

How do I know if a cannabis product or a location selling them is legal?

- Licensed locations and products will be marked with a verification logo. Licensed products get tested and follow safety standards set by the NYS Office of Cannabis Management (OCM). If you have questions or concerns about product safety, labeling, health effects from a product, unlicensed locations or sales, or unauthorized use, visit cannabis.ny.gov/report-an-incident.