

Guidance for Lower Potency Hemp Edible Retailers: Local Retail Registration Requirement

Per [Minnesota Statutes, section 342.22, subdivision 1](#), all licensed lower potency hemp edible (LPHE) retailers **must obtain a local retail registration prior to initiating any sales**. This requirement applies after you have been issued an LPHE license by the Minnesota Office of Cannabis Management (OCM).

Each local unit of government has its own process for local retail registration. **You must contact your city or county jurisdiction directly to determine how to fulfill this requirement.**

If OCM has a local government contact on file for your business, OCM will notify that local government once your license has been issued.

While you are not required to submit proof of local registration to OCM, **you attested during the application process that you would obtain local retail registration before beginning operations**. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in revocation of your license, per [Minnesota Statutes, section 342.21, subdivision 1](#).

Important note for retailers previously registered under Minnesota Statutes, section 151.72:

It is critical to ensure that the issuance of your OCM license aligns with the issuance of your local retail registration. If these are not issued concurrently, you may be required to temporarily halt sales until both requirements are satisfied.

Please note that under [Minnesota Statutes, section 342.13](#), local governments **may not prohibit or opt out of allowing LPHE retailer businesses**. However, they are allowed to establish and enforce their own local registration processes and may adopt restrictions such as distance from certain structures and hours of operation.

If you have questions about this requirement, please [contact OCM customer service](#) (mn.gov/ocm/connect/contact-us/).