



ADVISORY BULLETIN

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Updating Social Equity Fee Reduction Criteria

On November 13th, 2020, the Marijuana Regulatory Agency (MRA) began accepting social equity applications through its online portal. Along with this change, the MRA introduced new forms such as the [Social Equity Amendment Form](#).

Social Equity Amendment Form

The Social Equity Amendment form may be used by social equity participants who are already eligible for the social equity program and wish to update their fee reduction criteria. This may be done before or after applying for an adult-use marijuana establishment license. However, there are a few important things to note:

- Fee reductions may not be applied to fees already paid to the MRA as these are non-refundable.
- Fee reductions may be applied to initial licensure fees or renewal fees, as long as the applicant remains eligible for the social equity program.
- Fee reductions must be approved by the social equity program 120 days before an adult-use renewal application is due.
 - Please submit the form far enough in advance so that a determination can be made 120 days before the adult-use renewal.
 - If a determination is made after the 120-day deadline, it may be used for later renewal fee reductions.

More information on the MRA can be found at the agency website: www.michigan.gov/MRA.

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