



# ADVISORY BULLETIN

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## Temporary Marijuana Events

The intent of this bulletin is to provide the public and the marijuana industry with information regarding temporary marijuana events. Pursuant to Emergency Rule 58(3), a person that allows consumption of marijuana products on the premises of a nonresidential location and charges a fee for entry, sells goods or services while individuals are consuming on the premises, or requires membership for entry shall acquire a designated consumption establishment or temporary marijuana event license.

A person must apply for and be granted a marijuana event organizer license to be eligible to hold a temporary marijuana event. Pursuant to Emergency Rule 62(1), a temporary marijuana event license can only be issued to a person who holds a marijuana event organizer license.

If a marijuana event organizer plans to hold a temporary marijuana event, the application for the temporary marijuana event must be received by the Marijuana Regulatory Agency (MRA) at least 90 days before the first day of the event (see Emergency Rule 62(4)). This 90-day timeframe is to ensure the MRA has ample processing time to approve and issue a license for the event prior to it occurring.

The steps for obtaining a temporary marijuana event license – which may be done separately or all at once – are as follows:

- Obtain Prequalification status - apply using the Step 1 Prequalification application.
- Obtain a Marijuana Event Organizer license - apply using the Step 2 Marijuana Event Organizer license application.
- Obtain a Temporary Marijuana Event license - apply using the Temporary Marijuana Event license application.

Additional rules that marijuana event organizers need to be aware of – and comply with – when preparing to apply for a temporary marijuana event include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Rule 62(10): The marijuana event organizer licensee shall ensure that access to the event is restricted to persons 21 years of age or older and ensure that marijuana sales or consumption is not visible from any public place or non-age-restricted area.

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- Rule 62(3): A temporary marijuana event license shall only be issued for a single day or up to seven consecutive days. No temporary marijuana event license will be issued for more than seven days.
- Rule 62(5): A temporary marijuana event may only be held at a venue expressly approved by a municipality for the purpose of holding a temporary marijuana event.
- Rule 62(12): The marijuana event organizer licensee shall ensure that all marijuana waste generated at a temporary marijuana event shall be collected and disposed of in accordance with the requirements of Rule 37 of these rules, as applicable.
- Rule 30(2)(i): Marijuana establishments shall not allow onsite or as part of the marijuana establishment ... sale, consumption, or serving of food or alcohol except for as provided in Rule 56 unless the establishment has the appropriate authorizations from other federal, state, or local agencies as applicable.
- Rule 62(2): Violations of the requirements applicable to temporary marijuana events may result in disciplinary action against the marijuana event organizer license or any other licenses held by a licensee participating in the temporary marijuana event and responsible for a violation of the act or these rules.

Please refer to Rule 62 of the [adult-use emergency rules](#) for additional information regarding temporary marijuana events. For information regarding licensing fees for temporary marijuana events, refer to Rule 63 of the adult-use emergency rules. For information regarding temporary marijuana event sales, refer to Rule 64 of the adult-use emergency rules.

Questions can be sent to the Marijuana Regulatory Agency via email at [MRA-Adult-Use-Marijuana@michigan.gov](mailto:MRA-Adult-Use-Marijuana@michigan.gov). For more information about the Marijuana Regulatory Agency, please visit [www.michigan.gov/MRA](http://www.michigan.gov/MRA)