

Activities Requiring a Hemp Grower Registration with MDARD or a Hemp Processor-Handler License with the Cannabis Regulatory Agency (CRA)

Hemp Grower Registration allows for:

- Planting, propagating, growing, and cultivating
- Harvesting hemp
- Drying, storing hemp
- Selling raw industrial hemp to a licensed hemp processor-handler or medical marijuana processor
- Conducting research
- Possessing live plants or viable seed on premises where the hemp will be grown
- Disposing of or remediating noncompliant Cannabis on site
- Disposing of a crop that was not officially sampled
- Transfer between a grower's registered locations

Does not allow for selling an intermediary, in-process, or finished hemp product; smokable flower; hemp seed, clones, or transplants.

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First-line processing activities allowed for registered growers without a Hemp Processor-Handler License (HPHL):

- Retting, decortication
- Scutching, hackling, roving, spinning, and other fiber-generating processes
- Chopping, crushing, grinding
- Sorting, grading, baling, bundling
- Collecting kief, trim, or shake
- Shucking/bucking – removal of leaves and buds from the stem
- Sorting, cleaning, and dehulling seed
- Processing seeds into Generally Recognized As Safe food items (such as processing into cakes, pressing/crushing seed for oil)

A Food Establishment License from MDARD may be required for processing GRAS products for human consumption. Produce safety requirements may also be required. Cannabinoids may not be added to food or labeled as dietary supplements. Hemp or cannabinoids cannot be added to animal feed.

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Hemp Processor-Handler License (HPHL) through CRA allows for:

- Converting raw hemp into a marketable form; winterizing; extracting; distilling
- Possessing, storing, or transporting industrial hemp on premises owned, operated, or controlled by a registered grower or licensed processor
- Marketing hemp by acting as an intermediary or negotiator between buyers and sellers
- Promoting, selling, or gathering info about customer preferences regarding hemp
- Selling intermediary, in-process, or finished hemp products
- Selling smokable flower
- Selling viable hemp (seeds, plants) to registered growers or those with a HPHL.

Those holding a medical marijuana processor license can perform all above activities without a HPHL.

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