



Recreational Retail Marijuana Stores – Frequently Asked Questions

Where are Recreational Retail Marijuana Stores (RRMS) allowed to locate in Eugene?

Eugene has a variety of zones in the city (residential, commercial, industrial, etc.) that describe the type and intensity of development and use that can occur on a property. In Eugene, RRMS's are considered to be a type of retail use called "specialty store." As a specialty store, RRMSs are allowed in the C-1 Neighborhood Commercial Zone, the C-2 Community Commercial Zone, the C-3 Major Commercial Zone, the GO General Office Zone, and certain Special Area Zones (S-H, S-W, etc.). In the C-1 and GO zones, there are some limitations based on the size and use of the building. In Special Area Zones, additional requirements may also apply. You can view a map of Eugene zones at: <http://www.eugene-or.gov/zoningmap>.

As of August, 2018, a RRMS may not be located within 1,000 feet of another RRMS.

The State law allows local governments the ability to impose certain regulations a separation requirement.

Does Eugene have any other restrictions on how or where RRMS operate?

Other than the 1,000 foot separation, the City does not currently have any additional rules regarding RRMSs.

Is there a way to know where RRMS are located?

The Oregon Liquor Control Commission maintains a map of approved RRMS locations. It can be viewed on their website: <http://www.oregon.gov/olcc/marijuana>.

Can RRMS be near schools or other facilities for children?

According to the state law, a RRMS may not be located within 1,000 feet of a school. This may not include other facilities that serve children such as day care or recreation centers.

Does a RRMS have to get a business license from the City of Eugene?

There is no requirement for a business license for RRMS at this time, however as part of the OLCC licensing process, the City must approve a Land Use Compatibility Statement verifying the store is at least 1,000 feet away from an existing store.

How many RRMS are currently in operation in the Eugene city limits?

Currently 51 RRMS are open with about 70% within 1,000 feet of each at least one other RRMS.

Can a store that is open be sold or expanded if it is already within 1,000 feet of another store?

Any location with a City Land Use Compatibility Statement approved by June 15, 2018, has legal nonconforming status. This means that a location within 1,000 feet of another RRMS can be sold and change ownership. However, a store cannot be expanded.

For questions, please contact the Land Use team at 541-682-8336 or landuseinfo@ci.eugene.or.us