CANNABIS - Information for Tourism Operators and Tourists

It is now legal for those aged 19 and older to purchase, possess, cultivate and consume cannabis in New Brunswick.

In New Brunswick, consumption of cannabis in any form is prohibited anywhere but in a private dwelling or on land adjacent to a private dwelling (in your house, in your backyard, etc.). If consuming cannabis in another residence, you must have the permission of the home-owner.

Q: Can hotels, inns and campgrounds ban cannabis consumption?

A: Hotels, inns and campgrounds will be able to restrict visitors from smoking or vaping, as they can with tobacco. However, cannabis will come in many forms and hotels, inns and campgrounds are not able to ban other forms of cannabis consumption.

Q: Is cannabis consumption allowed in provincial and national parks?

A: If there is a campsite where smoking is permitted, then smoking cannabis is also allowed. However, if a site is smoke-free, smoking cannabis is not allowed. Cannabis will come in many forms and tourism operators will not be able to ban other forms of cannabis consumption on a campsite.

If a park falls under the Smoke-free Places Act, no smoking or vaping will be permitted.

Q: Is cannabis consumption allowed at restaurants, amusement parks, festivals and outdoor attractions?

A: No. Cannabis consumption is not permitted in public places.

Q: Are the rules for medical cannabis different for hotels, inns and campgrounds?

A: Medical cannabis consumers are still restricted by "no smoking" rooms and the Smoke-free Places Act.

Travelling?

It is illegal to transport cannabis across Canada's national borders. Visit Cannabis and international travel for more information.

If travelling to another Canadian province or territory, you must respect their laws (provinces and territories can have different rules concerning cannabis and visitors should educate themselves on the legal minimum age, where you can buy cannabis, where you can use it, and how much you can possess).

For more information on other provinces and territories, visit: Cannabis in the provinces and territories

Road safety and impaired driving

Like alcohol, cannabis can cause impairment. And it's illegal to drive while impaired.

Cannabis use of any kind in or on a vehicle (moving or not) is prohibited. This also applies to motorcycles, farm tractors, off-road vehicles and snowmobiles.

In addition to criminal charges, sanctions for drug impaired driving include: licence suspension, and vehicle impoundment. New drivers in the graduated licensing program and all drivers under 21 years of age must have zero level of drugs in their system.

Health Information:

Using cannabis is a personal choice. There are short-term and long-term health risks associated with cannabis use, particularly for persons under the age of 25, pregnant and breastfeeding women, and persons living with or with a family history of mental health issues.

Understand the risks to make an informed decision on your personal cannabis use. For more information visit InControlNB.ca. Refer to Canada's Lower-Risk Cannabis Use Guidelines to reduce your risk.

For more information, visit:

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CAA Cannabis Impaired Driving

