



Re: Notification of Municipal Non-Compliance Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 21-28.11-17.1

Dear Cannabis Control Commission:

This letter is to inform you that, following review, the Adult Use Cannabis Retailer application submitted by _____ (Applicant Name) for the property located at _____ (Applicant Address) has been determined to be non-compliant with the following local ordinance(s):

Brief explanation of the reason(s) for non-compliance:

Zoning Official Signature

Zoning Official Print Name

Zoning Official Title

Zoning Official E-mail

Zoning Official Phone

Date

Please return this completed form via email to: ccc.aurapp@ccc.ri.gov

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Dear Town Solicitor/Clerk,

The Rhode Island Cannabis Control Commission is in the process of reviewing submitted adult-use cannabis retail license applications. As applications are deemed complete, the Commission is required by law to forward a copy to the municipality in which the proposed cannabis establishment intends to locate. Applications will begin to be forwarded to municipalities as early as March 2026. After review of applications by the Commission and the relevant municipality, qualified applicants will be selected by random drawing to receive provisional licenses.

This letter is intended to ensure that all Rhode Island municipalities are aware of the Commission's statutory obligation under the Rhode Island Cannabis Act to forward you a copy of any complete application the Commission receives for a cannabis establishment in your community, and the municipality's responsibilities once you receive a copy of an application from the Commission.

Municipal Review Requirements

Under *R.I. Gen. Laws § 21-28.11-17.1*, upon receiving a complete license application and the application fee:

The Commission will forward a copy of the application to the municipality in which the cannabis establishment intends to locate.

The municipality has forty-five (45) days from its receipt of the application to notify the Commission if the proposed cannabis establishment does not comply with any local ordinance.

Notification must be provided in writing to the Commission by the 45-day deadline. **If no notification is received from the municipality by the 45-day statutory deadline, the Commission will consider the application to be compliant with local ordinances.**

For your reference and convenience, a sample "Notification of Non-Compliance" form is included with this letter. The Notification of Non-Compliance form will also be included with any application(s) forwarded to you by the Commission. The Notification of Non-Compliance form will also be available on the Commission's website, <https://ccc.ri.gov>.

Purpose of the Municipal Certification

Your review ensures that proposed cannabis establishments:

- Meet local land-use requirements
- Are appropriately sited under city/town zoning ordinances
- Comply with all other relevant municipal ordinances



This process is essential for aligning state licensing with local authority and ensuring that applicants are fully compliant with both state and local law.

Completed Notification of Non-Compliance forms should be sent to:

Rhode Island Cannabis Control Commission

Attn: Amy Deveraux

560 Jefferson Boulevard, Suite 200

Warwick, RI 02886

Email: ccc.aurapp@ccc.ri.gov

If you have questions about your municipal obligations or would like to discuss the Commission's selection process or timeline, please contact the Commission at ccc.aurapp@ccc.ri.gov.

We appreciate your partnership and your role in ensuring Rhode Island's cannabis establishment licensing process remains orderly, transparent, and compliant with state and local law.

Sincerely,

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