

State of Hawaii  
Department of Health

Medical Marijuana Dispensary License

Application Merit Criteria and Maximum Awarded Points

December 16, 2015

Dispensary license applicants may submit responses to each merit criterion for consideration as part of their application. The criteria listed below are included in Hawaii Administrative Rules Chapter 11-850-20. The rules describe the selection process for granting a license. The criteria below will be included on the department's application form which will be submitted through a web-based process. The application will be available on Jan. 11, 2016.

The department will only accept responses submitted as part of the department's application form during the open application period beginning January 12, 2016 and closing January 29, 2016.

The format for responses shall be double-spaced, 12 point font size or larger, margins no less than one inch on all sides, and no longer than the specified page length.

	Criterion	Maximum Points
1.	Ability to operate a business, including but not limited to education, knowledge, and experience with: (A) Regulated industries; (B) Agriculture or horticulture; (C) Commercial manufacturing; (D) Pharmaceutical companies; (E) Operating or working in a medical marijuana dispensary business; (F) Creating and implementing a business plan, including a timeline for opening a business; (G) Creating and implementing a financial plan; (H) Retail sales; (I) Secure inventory tracking and control; (J) Protecting confidential customer information; (K) Owning or managing a business that required twenty four hour security monitoring; and (L) Any other experience the applicant considers relevant;  Response shall be no longer than five (5) pages.	10

2.	<p>Plan for operating a medical marijuana dispensary in the county for which the applicant is seeking a license, including but not limited to a timeline for opening a retail dispensing location;</p> <p>Response shall be no longer than five (5) pages.</p>	10
3.	<p>Proof of financial stability and access to financial resources, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(A) Legal sources of finances immediately available to begin operating a dispensary;</li> <li>(B) A summary of financial statements in businesses previously or currently owned or operated by the applicant;</li> <li>(C) A financial plan for operating a medical marijuana dispensary in Hawaii;</li> <li>(D) Good credit history; and</li> <li>(E) History of bankruptcy by the applicant or entities owned or operated by the applicant;</li> </ul> <p>Response shall be no longer than five (5) pages.</p>	10
4.	<p>Ability to comply with the security requirements of this chapter and section 329D-7, HRS;</p> <p>Response shall be no longer than five (5) pages.</p>	10
5.	<p>Capacity to meet the needs of qualifying patients, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(A) Educating patients on how marijuana can be used to assist patients with debilitating medical conditions and about the marijuana and manufactured marijuana products that will be available in the applicant's retail dispensing locations;</li> <li>(B) Producing and maintaining a supply of marijuana that is sufficient to meet the needs of qualifying patients;</li> <li>(C) Providing safe, accessible retail dispensing locations; and</li> <li>(D) Measuring and improving customer satisfaction;</li> </ul> <p>Response shall be no longer than five (5) pages.</p>	10
6.	<p>Ability to comply with criminal background check requirements pursuant to this chapter and sections 329D-7,</p>	10

	329D-12, and 846-2.7, HRS;  Response shall be no longer than three (3) pages.	
7.	Ability to comply with the requirements in this chapter and chapters 329 and 329D, HRS, for inventory tracking, security, and sales limits for qualifying patients;  Response shall be no longer than five (5) pages.	10
8.	Ability to maintain confidentiality of a qualifying patient's medical condition, health status, and purchases of marijuana or manufactured marijuana products;  Response shall be no longer than three (3) pages.	10
9.	Ability to comply with the requirements for certified laboratory testing on marijuana and manufactured marijuana products pursuant to this chapter and sections 329D-7 and 329D-8, HRS;  Response shall be no longer than three (3) pages.	10
10.	Ability to comply with requirements for signage, packaging, labeling, and chain of custody of products;  Response shall be no longer than three (3) pages.	10
11.	A plan for secure disposal or destruction of marijuana and manufactured marijuana products;  Response shall be no longer than five (5) pages.	10
12.	Ability to ensure product safety, in accordance with this chapter and sections 329D-8, 329D-10, 329D-11, HRS.  Response shall be no longer than five (5) pages.	10
13.	No history of having a business license revoked.  Response shall be no longer than three (3) pages.	10
Total		130