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Town Clerk's Office and posted at least 48 hours prior to the meeting
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Committee/Board/s | Cannabis Advisory Committee (CAC)

Day, Date, and Time | Thursday March 19, 2026, 1:00PM

Location / Address | REMOTE PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM
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YouTube Channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-sgxAlfdoxteLNzRAUHIxA>

**Signature of Chair or
Authorized Person** | Barry Rector

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Board Members: Barry G. Rector (Chair), Abby DeMolina (Vice-Chair), Joe Plandowski (Secretary),
Dawn Hill, Jacques Zimicki

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AGENDA

Please list below the topics the chair reasonably anticipates will be discussed at the meeting.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Acceptance of Agenda
- III. Announcements
 - a. The Cannabis Advisory Committee Meeting is being Audio and Video recorded.
- IV. Update on Public Comment/ Questions from Prior Meetings
- V. Public Comment*
- VI. New Business **
 - a. ACK Natural deliveries
 - b. Discussion on the future of Social Consumption on Nantucket (also see item VIII.a.i)
- VII. Approval of Minutes
 - a. October 19, 2023, at 1:00pm
 - b. January 16, 2025, at 1:00pm
 - c. April 17, 2025, at 1:00pm
 - d. November 20, 2025, at 1:00pm
- VIII. Committee Requests/ Reports
 - a. Updates from Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission
 - i. Approved Social Consumption regulations [Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission Unanimously Approves Final Social Consumption Regulations - Cannabis Control Commission Massachusetts](#)
- IX. Reports
 - a. Next tentatively scheduled meeting April 16th, 2026
- X. Adjournment

**Public Comment: please see attached Public Comment Policy which can also be found at <https://www.nantucket-ma.gov/DocumentCenter/View/51055/Public-Comment-Policy---Adopted-by-the-Select-Board-on-February-12-2025-PDF>.*

*** Topics not reasonably anticipated by the Chair 48 hours in advance of the meeting may be brought up for discussion in accordance with the Open Meeting Law.*

Recent Updates from the Cannabis Control Commission ***Social Consumption Regulations Finalized***

(Prepared for 2026 Connect 351)

On December 11, 2025, the Cannabis Control Commission (“CCC”) voted unanimously to approve final regulations (“Regulations”) updating 950 CMR 500.00 concerning on-site consumption of cannabis, so-called “social consumption”. The Regulations, which took effect on January 2, 2026, address three new types of on-site licenses: Supplemental, Hospitality, and Event Organizer. Below, please find a general summary of the Regulations and key takeaways for municipalities. While the Regulations are now in effect, Social Consumption Establishments may not engage in operations until they are licensed by the CCC and have secured any necessary local approvals.¹

TYPES OF SOCIAL CONSUMPTION LICENSES

For an expanded initial period of 36 months, the Regulations provide that Social Consumption licenses are exclusively available to Social Equity Businesses, Social Equity Program Participants, Certified Economic Empowerment Priority Applicants, Microbusinesses, and Craft Marijuana Cooperatives.

- Supplemental On-site Consumption License: Available to existing Marijuana Establishments (although not as of right), including Cultivators, Product Manufacturers, Retailers, Microbusinesses, Craft Marijuana Cooperatives, Third-party Transporters, Delivery Operators and Couriers for on-site consumption at their respective licensed locations.
- Hospitality On-site Consumption License: Available for non-cannabis businesses, in partnership with qualifying Marijuana Establishments, to host on-site consumption events, in designated consumption areas.
- Event Organizer On-site Consumption License: Available for qualifying applicants and Marijuana Establishments to host Temporary Consumption Events on specified dates and times, not to exceed more than 30 single days of permitted sales and consumption activity per municipality per calendar year.

HIGHLIGHTS

Under the new Regulations, all Social Consumption Establishments may:

- Portion servings, white label, repackaging, transfer, waste, wholesale and warehouse finished marijuana or marijuana products acquired from a Marijuana Establishment;
- Allow consumption areas approved by the CCC for indoor non-smoking, indoor smoking, outdoor non-smoking or outdoor smoking;

¹ The capitalized terms used in this eUpdate have the meanings set forth in 935 CMR 500.00, as revised, and 935 CMR 501.00.

- Allow a Registered Qualifying Patient aged 21 or older, after presentation of a valid Registration Card, to bring their own, or have delivered, Medical-use Marijuana from a Medical Marijuana Treatment Center; and
- Allow sales and services between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 12:00 A.M., unless otherwise explicitly authorized by municipal bylaw or ordinance.

The new Regulations further provide that all Social Consumption Establishments must:

- Obtain a Host Community Agreement (“HCA”) with the municipality in which they are located, even if a Marijuana Establishment is already operating under an existing HCA;
- Provide Consumers access to non-infused food and water; provided, however that the sale and consumption of alcohol and tobacco is prohibited;
- Separately obtain all licenses, permits, and approvals for food handling and register with the state Department of Revenue to remit cannabis related taxes; and
- Establish procedures outlining how to assist consumers who may be impaired, such as with means of transportation or other services (with such procedures to be reviewed for comments by the municipality's police chief);
- Establish procedures to prevent overserving consumers, consistent with responsible vendor training, for Marijuana Establishment agents to use to evaluate impairment, including emergency response procedures;
- Have its agents complete a “Social Consumption Core Curriculum” prior to working, including, de-escalating potentially dangerous situations, medical or public safety emergencies, checking identification, and recognizing signs of impairment from alcohol or cannabis use;
- Provide information to consumers about the impairment effects of different forms of consumption of marijuana or marijuana products including, but not limited to, the length of time that the marijuana or marijuana products may take in order to take effect, and information to prevent impaired driving; and
- Offer Consumers an opaque child-resistant sealed exit bag to take unconsumed or partially consumed Marijuana or Marijuana Products from the Premises.

Indoor and Outdoor Smoking. The amendments to the Regulations deleted the prohibition on indoor smoking and the existing waiver requirement for outdoor smoking. While the Regulations no longer expressly include the requirement for municipal review of smoking consumption areas, they do require smoking areas to comply with fire and other applicable state and local codes, and that documents demonstrating compliance be made available to the municipality upon request.

We anticipate additional guidance from the CCC concerning implementation of Social Consumption Establishments before any licenses are issued and will provide further updates as this process develops. See additional information on Social Consumption Establishments in our prior eUpdates, found [here](#) and [here](#).

For further information, please contact Attorney [Nicole Costanzo](#) or your KP Law attorney at 617.556.0007.

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