



Cannabis legislation overview

Federal cannabis legislation is scheduled to take effect this year.

Provincial legislation — Bill 26: An Act to Control and Regulate Cannabis — restricts smoking or vaping cannabis in any public place where tobacco is restricted, as well as:

- on any hospital property, school property or child care facility property
- from any motor vehicle, with the exemption of those being used as a temporary residence, such as a parked RV
- in or within a prescribed distance from:
 - a playground
 - a sports or playing field
 - a skateboard or bicycle park
 - an outdoor pool or splash pad
- anywhere smoking or vaping tobacco is already restricted

No consumption of cannabis is allowed at any cannabis retail outlet.

Albertans will be allowed to consume cannabis in their homes and in some public spaces where smoking tobacco is allowed, but use will be banned in cars.

Municipalities must uphold and enforce these restrictions.

Who has jurisdiction?

Activity	Federal	Provincial	Municipal
Possession limits	✓		
Trafficking	✓		
Advertisement and packaging	✓		
Impaired driving	✓	✓	
Medical cannabis	✓		
Seed-to-sale tracking system	✓		
Production (cultivation and processing)	✓		
Age limit (federal minimum)	✓		
Public health	✓	✓	✓
Education	✓	✓	✓
Taxation	✓	✓	✓
Home cultivation	✓		
Workplace safety		✓	
Distribution and wholesaling		✓	
Retail model		✓	
Retail location and rules		✓	✓
Regulatory compliance		✓	
Public consumption		✓	✓
Land use/zoning			✓



Next steps

June 25:

- Public engagement results to Council
- Revised bylaw presented to Council

Updates: LetsTalkCochrane.ca/Cannabis