

## Minnesota Hemp Program





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- A license is required for growers and processors of *raw* hemp material
- License is obtained by applying online or filling out a paper application
- All applicants must pass a criminal history background check—instructions on how to complete the check are mailed to the applicant after they apply online
- Hemp is defined as having ≤ 0.30% Total THC
- Growing, storage, and processing is <u>NOT</u> permitted inside residential dwellings



#### Minnesota Stats

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|---|-------------------------|------|-------|--------|---------|-----------|--|---------|------|
|   | Statistic               | 2016 | 2017  | 2018   | 2019    | 2020      | 2021   | 2022    | 2023 |
|   | Applicants              | 7    | 47    | 65     | 505     | 586       | 459  | 299     | 279* |
|   | Applicants              | ,    | 77    | 03     | 303     | 300       | <b>433</b>   | 233     | 213  |
| ٩ | Licensed Growers        | 6    | 33    | 43     | 353     | 317       | 178  | 142     | 122* |
|   | Licensed                |      |       |        |         |           |  |         |      |
| - | Processors/Handlers     | 0    | 5     | 8      | 49      | 88        | 77   | 53      | 64*  |
|   |                         |      |       |        |         |           |  |         |      |
|   | Outdoor Acreage Planted | 38   | 1,202 | 709    | 7,353   | 4,690     | 2,830  | 375     | -    |
|   |                         |      |       |        |         |           |  |         |      |
| 8 | Indoor Square Footage   |      |       |        |         |           |  |         |      |
| ń | Planted                 | 0    | 0     | 55,000 | 403,304 | 1,353,489 | 318,713  | 122,040 | -    |

\*Number current as of 5/8/23

### Four Types of Hemp Varieties



- As of 5/8/23-- 279 applicants
  - New applicants: 104
  - Renewals: 175
- Application deadline extended to May 31<sup>st</sup>
- Registered
  - Acres: 1,530
  - Square feet: 975,468



| Grower License                       | \$400+ |
|--------------------------------------|--------|
| Processor License                    | \$500+ |
| Each Location                        | \$250  |
| Each Sample for THC Testing          | \$100  |
| Each Inspection Beyond the First One | \$250  |
| License Change Fee                   | \$50   |

# Applicant applies to MDA Hemp Program

First-time applicantsfingerprinting & background check

License issued

Licensee plants hemp

## Licensee reports hemp planted to FSA

Licensee reports hemp planted to MDA

MDA samples hemp 30 days prior to harvest

Licensee submits Harvest Report

#### MDA issues Fit for Commerce Certificate





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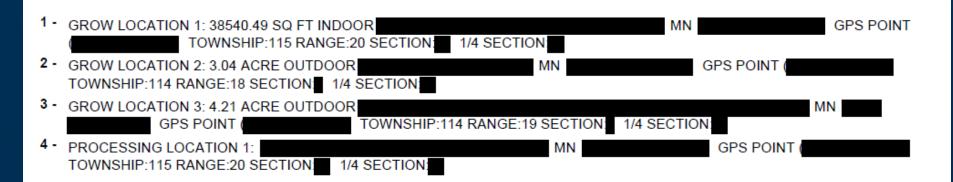
#### **Hemp Program License**

License Number: 202

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Chapter 18K and the Minnesota state plan, the above-named person/business is authorized to act as a Grower or Processor or both based on the locations listed below.

Effective Date: 01/01/2021 Expiration Date: 12/31/2021

Physical Locations:



## Changes to License

- Add Locations or License category
- Submit a Change Request Form (available on website or by request)



625 Robert Street North, Saint Paul, MN 55155-2538 www.mda.state.mn.us

PLANT PROTECTION DIVISION

Phone: 651-201-6600

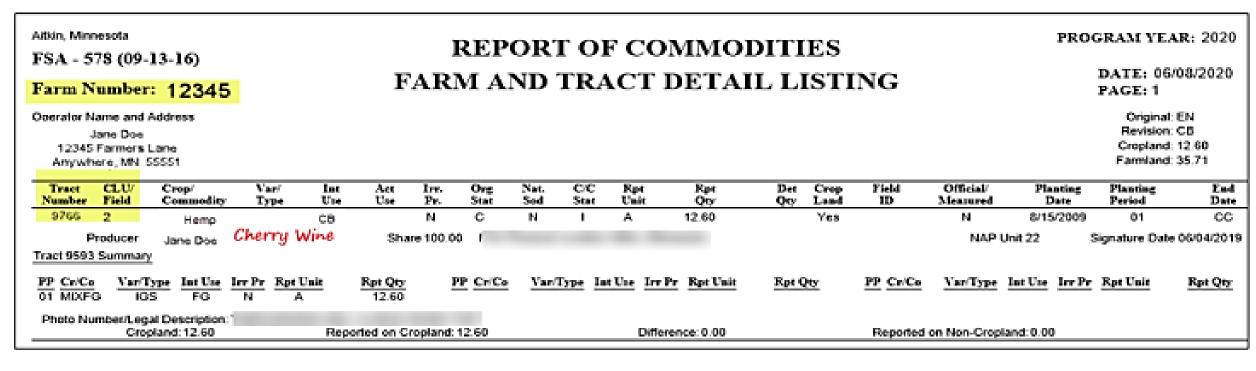
Minnesota Statute 18K

#### HEMP PROGRAM LICENSE CHANGE REQUEST

- Pay additional fees <u>PLUS</u> \$50 change fee
- Do not grow or process hemp in a new location until you receive your updated license

### **FSA Reporting**

#### EXAMPLE OF FSA- 578 REPORT OF COMMODITIES FORM



**Hemp Lot Number = Farm Number- Tract Number- Field Number 12345-9766-2** 

#### PPD - Hemp Planting Cycle Form



Please read all of the following information carefully. Once you submit this form, we will automatically put you on the list for an inspection/sampling for THC testing at the appropriate time (within 30 days prior to your anticipated date of harvest). If you did not plant at this location, check the "not planted" box, enter 0.00 in the actual square footage or actual acreage field, and hit submit.

| Today's Date  | License Number* | Hemp Grow Location Number*                                    | Hemp Location Date ID   |
|---|-----------------|---|---|
| 05/08/2023  |                 |   |   |
| Hemp Grow Location Addres   | S               | Hemp Grow Location City                                       | ■ Not Planted   |
| Hemp Grow License Type  | Square Footage  | Acreage   |   |
| For each variety planted at this<br>dates, please fill out a separate |                 | rate line and press "Add" to add another one. In addition, if | f you have other hemp lots that will be harvested on differen |

Enter in a Hemp Lot Number in the space below. The Hemp Lot Number must be your Farm Service Agency (FSA)-assigned field number (Farm Number/Tract Number/Field Number, example: 12345-9766-2). As required under the federal Farm Bill and the Minnesota state hemp plan, you must put in your FSA field number on the form. If you do not have an FSA field number, then you must contact the FSA first before submitting this form.

# Submission of this form will trigger the MDA to schedule an inspection 30 days prior to harvest



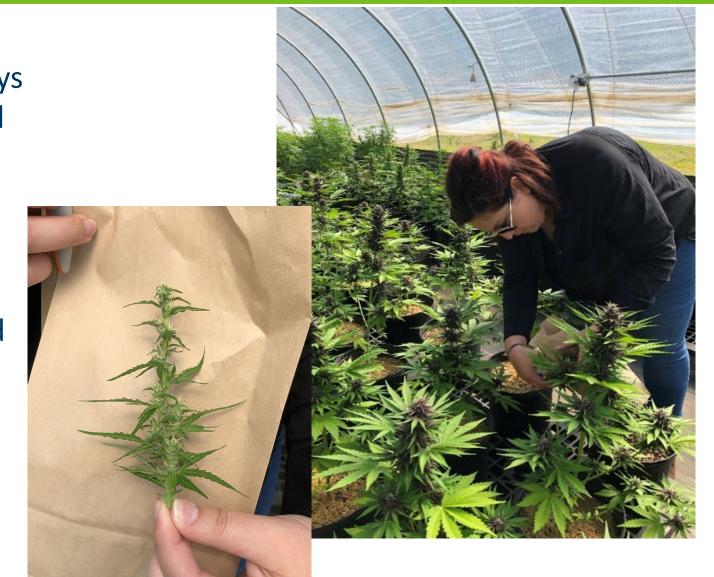
#### **Privacy Notice:**

This information is being collected so the MDA can monitor licensed hemp growers' compliance with all relevant state and federal laws, rules, and requirements regarding the growing of hemp in Minnesota. The MDA will also share this information with federal authorities to demonstrate that the MDA is compliant with all applicable state and federal laws, rules, and requirements for the administration of a hemp licensing program in Minnesota. Some of the information you are supplying as part of this form, such as the location of your grow field or greenhouse is classified by law as not public data. Other data, such as the identity and contact information of Minnesota Industrial Hemp Program license holders, the material planted, acreage/square feet planted, and planting dates, is generally classified as public data. Public data are available to anyone for any reason. Not public data will be used by those MDA employees and contractors that have a valid work assignment that requires access to the data. Not public data may also be shared with parties authorized by law, parties authorized by you through your consent, and parties named in a valid court order or federal subpoena. Not public data may also be provided to the legislative auditor or state auditor upon their request. In addition, all data provided on this form may be disclosed to other parties if the MDA determines that there is a substantive threat to human health and safety or to the environment, or to aid in the law enforcement process. In the event of a legal action, data may be shared with the Office of the Minnesota Attorney General or with Minnesota or federal courts. You are not required by law to provide this information to the MDA, however your failure to do so may result in the revocation of your Minnesota Industrial Hemp license. Growing hemp in Minnesota without a valid Industrial Hemp license is illegal.

Submit

## Field Inspection and THC Sampling

- Hemp lot must be harvested 30 days after regulatory sample is collected
- We cut the top 5" from 30 plants randomly selected throughout the field
- Each variety and lot must be tested separately



### THC Testing

- Sample is sent to Legend Technical Services for THC analysis
- THC test results must be 0.30% or less to be legal hemp- factoring in the measurement of uncertainty
- Over 0.30% can request a retest, remediate, or destroy



## Measurement of Uncertainty

• Provides a THC test result range that factors in lab & sampling variability

#### **EXAMPLE 1**

| Sample Number | Variety Name | Total Potential THC=<br>D9 THC + (THCA x<br>0.877) | Total THC Result-<br>Lower Value w/ MU | Total THC Result-<br>Upper Value w/ MU |
|---------------|--------------|--|--|--|
| 001           | Autoflower   | 0.306%   | 0.231%                                 | 0.381%                                 |

#### **EXAMPLE 2**

| Sample Number | Variety Name | Total Potential THC=<br>D9 THC + (THCA x<br>0.877) |        | Total THC Result-<br>Upper Value w/ MU |
|---------------|--------------|--|--------|--|
| 002           | Cherry       | 0.434%   | 0.359% | 0.499%                                 |

#### **PPD - Hemp Harvest Report Form**



For each hemp variety you intend to harvest and/or destroy, please fill in the white boxes with the information requested. The information in the gray boxes have been pre-populated based on the Planting Report form you submitted. If the information is incorrect, please contact the Hemp Program at <a href="https://example.com/hemp.mda@state.mn.us">hemp.mda@state.mn.us</a>.

You must submit this report to the MDA not more than 30 days and not less than 5 days prior to your intended harvest date. All hemp Lots must be sampled for testing within a 30-day window prior to harvest. If the Department sampled and tested your Lot(s) for regulatory purposes, then you must harvest within 30 days of the sample date. If it passes the THC test, then you will receive a Fit For Commerce certificate for the Lot.

If the Department notified you that your Lot was not selected for regulatory sampling, then you must take your own representative sample according to Department protocols and submit it to a Department-approved laboratory for THC testing. You must submit the Certificate of Analysis/test results from the laboratory along with this form. You must harvest the hemp within 30 days of the date the sample was collected. If the test results show a Total THC level below 0.3%, after factoring in the measurement of uncertainty, you will receive a Fit For Commerce certificate for the Lot.

Providing the information requested on this form is a required condition of holding an MDA Hemp Program license.

Date

| Contact Information         |                         |                          |                      |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Entity Name                 | Business Name           | License Number           |                      |
| Grow Location Information   |                         |                          |                      |
| Hemp Grow Location Number   | Hemp Lot Number         | Hemp Location Date ID    |                      |
| Hemp Grow Location Address  | Hemp Grow Location      | City                     |                      |
| Hemp Variety List  ▼        | Hemp Grow Location Type | Date of Planting         |                      |
| Date of Anticipated Harvest | Harvested Acreage Har   | rvested Square Footage   |                      |
| Date of Destruction         | Acreage Destroyed       | Square Footage Destroyed | Reason for Crop Loss |
|                             |                         |                          |                      |

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, this information is available in alternative forms of communication upon request by calling 651-201-6000. TTY users can call the Minnesota Relay Service at 711. The MDA is an equal opportunity employer and provider.

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#### **Industrial Hemp Program Fit For Commerce Certificate**

January 21, 2021



This certificate concerns the test result for the industrial hemp plant sample collected at the licensed grow location indicated below by the sample number. The sample was collected by an MDA inspector on 1/21/21. As defined in Minnesota Statue 18K.02 and Subtitle G of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, 7 U.S.C. §§ 16390 – 1639s (2018 "Farm Bill"), the delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol post-decarboxylation (Total Potential THC) content is specified by a range of values plus or minus the measurement of uncertainty (MU). The MU adopted by the Minnesota Hemp Program is based on the laboratory measurement of uncertainty plus sampling variablity. The value 0.30% must lie within the THC content range for your sample, which is listed below.

| Sample Number | Grow Location | Variety Name | Total Potential THC (Lower Value w/<br>MU- Upper Value w/ MU) |
|---------------|---------------|--------------|---|
| MW21001       | 781           | Queen Dream  | 0.339% (0.258%- 0.421%)                                       |

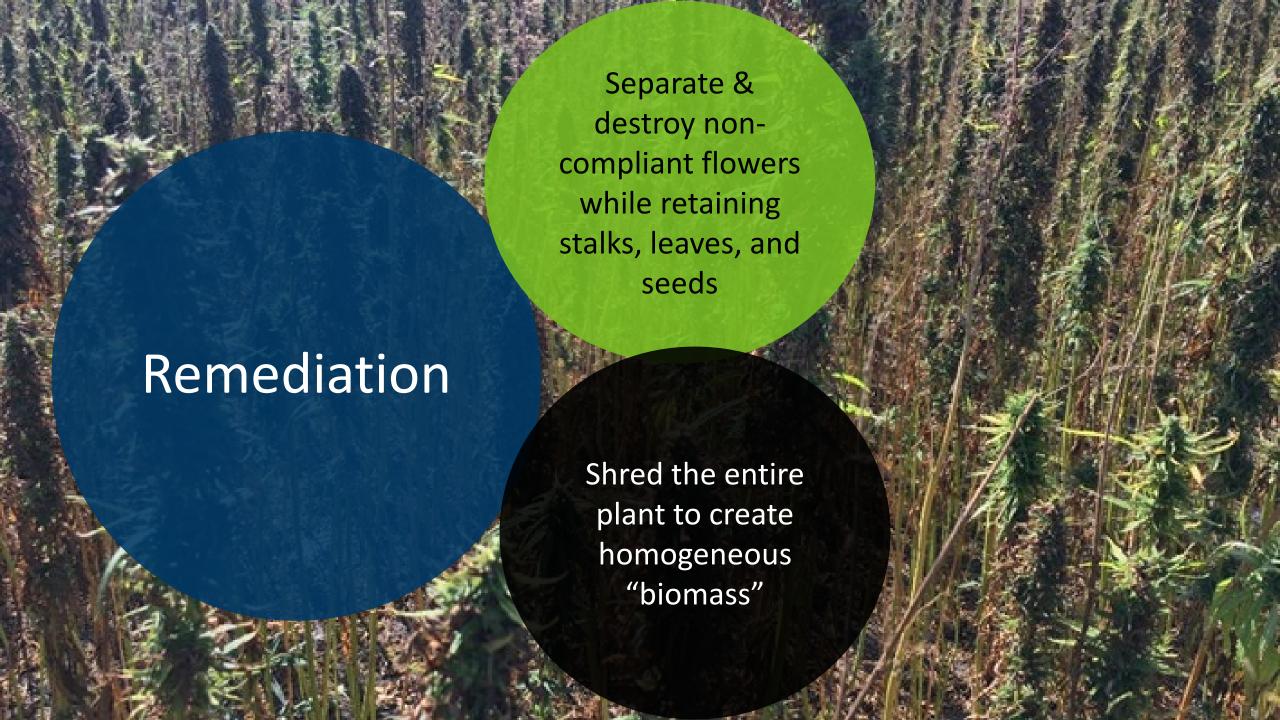
The sample taken at your hemp grow location was tested for THC concentration and found to be in compliance with MS Chapter 18K.02 and Subtitle G of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, 7 U.S.C. §§ 16390 – 1639s. The industrial hemp material harvested from this specified lot is fit to enter the stream of commerce.

#### 2022 Failures

- Approximately 9% of samples failed the initial THC test
- Lower than 2021 (12% failure rate)



- 2 negligent violations were issued
- Negligent violation is issued for anything testing over 1%



### Remediation



- Second Year
- 10 remediation attempts
- 80% of attempts were successful





# Records - Grower



# For Seed or Propagules purchased:

- A Certificate of Analysis
- Lot # or other lot identification
- Invoices
- Variety Name
- Copy of seed label

\* Must keep records for 3 years



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**THANK YOU!**