



Frequently Asked Questions

Commercial Cannabis Business (CCB) Permit

<http://www.fresno.gov/cannabis>

CCB Permit Application Process – Round 2

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The Fresno Municipal Code (FMC) can be found here:

[https://library.municode.com/ca/fresno/codes/code of ordinances?nodeId=MUCOCHFRCA](https://library.municode.com/ca/fresno/codes/code%20of%20ordinances?nodeId=MUCOCHFRCA)

Application Procedures

1. I submitted my background form during the first application process. Do I need to submit again?
 - a. Yes, you will need to complete a new background form.
2. Is Testing included as an activity under a microbusiness?
 - a. A microbusiness in Fresno must do manufacturing, cultivation, and distribution.
3. Can we select a location in another city or county?
 - a. No. The property must be in the City of Fresno. This permit application only applies to the City of Fresno.

Locations and Zoning

1. If a location is in the Cannabis Innovation Zone, does the zoning still have to be IL or IH?
 - a. No. All properties in the cannabis innovation zone are eligible; however, FMC Sec. 9-3308 limits the cannabis innovation zone to 8 permits.
2. Can an application with preliminary approval transfer a permit to another property?
 - a. FMC Sec. 9-3325 allows a cannabis retail business or commercial cannabis business to change locations. The process and fees to relocate a permitted cannabis business are the same as the initial application. Please see FAQ document dated December 1, 2021 available on the Office of Cannabis Oversight website for more information.
3. Are applicants allowed to co-locate and propose shared space?

- a. Yes, however, the applications must comply with State law and must demonstrate separate premises (with the exception of proposed share use space).

Social Equity Applications

1. I submitted my application eligibility criteria. When will I know if I'm qualified?
 - a. If you submitted on or before the eligibility due date, your application will be reviewed as soon as possible. Communications will occur through the application system if additional documents are needed and when approval is issued.
2. I submitted my eligibility criteria in the first application round. Must I submit it again.
 - a. Yes, you need to submitted updated documents (i.e. income, if applicable).
3. Can we complete the application all at once?
 - a. You may submit your application materials earlier than the stated deadlines if you're ready to do so. However, it does not guarantee that your application will process faster.
4. For proof of residency how many months of utility bills do I need to provide?
 - a. If your addressed hasn't changed, you may provide one utility bill a year for 10 years (or 5 years depending on criteria selected). If at different addresses, you will need to provide one per year, and an additional two to show when the address changed (the month prior and the month the applicant moved addresses).