

**Summary of Basic Eligibility Criteria for Non-Retail Commercial Cannabis Business License- County Code 7.128 & 13.10 Amendments
Santa Cruz County Cannabis Licensing Office**

Outside Coastal Zone			Zone District							
License Type	Min Parcel Size (acres) Required	Max Cultivation Area Per Parcel (sf) Allowed	CA Commercial Agriculture	A Agriculture	RA Residential Agriculture	SU Special Use	TP Timber Production	C-2 Community Commercial	C-4 Commercial Services	M-1 / M-2 / M-3 Light Industrial/ Heavy Industrial / Mineral Extraction Industrial
CULTIVATION										
Class CA	1	Single Licensee: 2.5% of parcel or ≤ 22,000; Co-Location on parcel < 20 acres: 5% or ≤ 1 acre ; Co-Location with outdoor grow or new structural development on parcel > 20 acres: 5% or ≤ 2 acres; Co-Location in existing permitted structures only (est. November 2016): Limits set by Licensing Official	Nursery Bonus Single Licensee: 1.25% not to exceed 11,000 sf., Co-Location on parcel < 20 acres: 2.5%, not to exceed 22,000 sf., Co-Location on parcel > 20 acres: 2.5%, not to exceed 1 acre. Coastal Zone+1 mile-- max. cultivation area caps apply	Yes	-	-	-	-	-	-
Class A	10	Single Licensee: 1.5% of parcel or ≤ 10,000; Co-Location on parcel < 20 acres: 3% or 10,000; Co-Location on parcel > 20 acres: 1.5% or 22,000		-	Yes	-	-	-	-	-
Class RA (1)	5	Parcel 5-10 ac: 1.25% of parcel or ≤ 5,100; Parcel >10 ac: 1.25% or 10,000		-	-	Yes	-	-	-	-
Class SU (1)	10	1.25% of parcel, ≤ 10,000		-	-	-	Yes	-	-	-
Class TP (1)	5	Parcel 5-10 ac: 1.25% of parcel or ≤ 5,100; Parcel >10 ac: 1.25% or 10,000		-	-	-	-	Yes	-	-
Class C-4	N/A	22,000	11,000 sf. maximum immature plant area bonus outside of CZ+1	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	-
Class M	N/A			-	-	-	-	-	-	Yes
Class CG (Cottage) (1)	2.5	500 (subject to L.O. approval)		-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	-
Class N (Nursery)		Limits of the zone district apply		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	-
Class P (Processor)		Only allowed in existing legal buildings		Yes	-	-	-	-	Yes	Yes
NOTES										
1. For RA (all parcels) and SU (parcels < 20 ac.), proof of pre-2013 cannabis cultivation is required. TP parcels require proof of 1) pre-2013 cannabis cultivation, or 2) a pre-existing commercial use. CG licensees must be residents with a continuous cultivation history on a parcel beginning prior to 2013.										
License Type	Min Parcel Size (acres)	Ancillary Use to Licensed Commercial Cannabis Cultivation	MANUFACTURE							
Class 1 (infusion only)	N/A	Applicable to A/RA/SU/TP zoned parcels	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Class 2 (non-volatile)	N/A	Applicable to A/RA/SU/TP zoned parcels	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Class 3 (volatile)	N/A	N/A	Yes	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	Yes
NOTES										
1. There is no registration requirement to apply for a manufacture license. But if you are seeking a manufacture license in the following zone districts (A, RA, SU, TP), a cultivation license and/or colocation with a cultivation licensee is required for these zone districts. Other than the CA, M, and C Zone districts, no stand-alone manufacture is permitted.										
2. Manufacture license classes may be combined (e.g., Class 1 and Class 2; Class 1, 2 and 3) if they are otherwise permitted in zone district. The most restrictive license class land use permit will apply.										
License Type	Min Parcel Size (acres)	Ancillary Use to Licensed Commercial Cannabis Cultivation	DISTRIBUTION							
Class 1 (self only)	N/A	Applicable to A/RA/SU/TP zoned parcels	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Class 2 (multiple licensees)	N/A	N/A	Yes	-	-	Yes (2)	-	Yes	Yes	Yes
NOTES										
1. There is no registration requirement to apply for a distribution license. But if you are seeking a distribution license in the following zone districts (A, RA, SU, TP), you MUST also obtain a cultivation license and/or be co-located with a cultivation licensee. Other than the CA, M, and C Zone districts, no stand-alone distribution is permitted.										
2. See SCCC 13.10.382(C)(3) for requirements.										
GENERAL NOTES FOR ALL LICENSES SOUGHT:										

1. **The matrices and notes provided in this document are not intended to be all inclusive of requirements and eligibility criteria licensees must meet. Read all requirements for non-retail commercial cannabis businesses under SCCC 7.128 and 13.10 for further detail.**
2. All license types listed above are **also subject to Use Permit review by the Planning Department and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)**. Environmental review will encompass all activities occurring on the parcel(s), to consider the full scope of the project, including if the project involves phased development over several years or multiple different licensees. If multiple licensees are working together on a property, all licenses and/or parties involved in cannabis operations will be considered under one Use Permit.
3. Co-location and/or Master Planned Facilities are permitted in all zone districts subject to restrictions and limitations
4. All licensees must meet all requirements of SCCC 7.128 and SCCC 13.10 pertaining to non-retail commercial cannabis businesses, including setbacks, Best Management and Operational Practices Plan requirements, etc. Read ordinances in detail to understand the regulations that apply to your unique case.
5. If you need help interpreting what you are reading, contact our office. But please ensure you have first read the ordinances in detail before inquiring. General Cannabis Info Line: 831-454-3833.
6. Check in to our website and Facebook page regularly for updates, advisories, news and resources: <http://www.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/cannabislicensingoffice.aspx>