

AGRICULTURAL POLICY REVIEW



CANNABIS

Farm Use Within the ALR

The use of ALR land for producing cannabis lawfully is designated as a farm use by the ALC and may not be prohibited by Local Government zoning if the cannabis is produced:

- outdoors in a field
- or
- inside a structure that has a base consisting entirely of soil

RDCK Zoning

The following Cannabis uses are permitted in RDCK's Agricultural zones:

MICRO CULTIVATION the small scale growing of cannabis plants and harvesting material from those plants, and associated activities as authorized under the Cannabis Act (Canada)

MICRO PROCESSING the small scale manufacturing, packaging and labelling of cannabis products destined for sale to customers and intra-industry sales of those products, including to provincially authorized distributors, as well as associated activities as authorized under the Cannabis Act (Canada)

NURSERY the growing of cannabis plants to produce the starting material (seed and seedlings) and associated activities as authorized under the Cannabis Act (Canada)

STANDARD CULTIVATION the large scale growing of cannabis plants and harvesting material from those plants, as well as associated activities as authorized under the Cannabis Act (Canada)

STANDARD PROCESSING the large scale manufacturing, packaging and labelling of cannabis products destined for sale to customers and intra-industry sales of those products, including to provincially authorized distributors as authorized under the Cannabis Act (Canada)

Cannabis Regulations

The permitted Cannabis uses are restricted by the following zoning regulations:

1. Any building or structure for the purposes of cannabis micro cultivation, cannabis micro processing or cannabis nurseries shall be a minimum of 15 metres (50 feet) from all property lines, with the exception of a structure that has a base entirely of soil which may be located within 7.5 metres (25 feet) of a property line.
2. Any building or structure for the purposes of cannabis standard cultivation or cannabis standard processing shall be a minimum of 30 metres (100 feet) from all property lines, with the exception of a structure that has a base entirely of soil which may be located within 7.5 metres (25 feet) of a property line.
3. The maximum height of any building or structure for the purposes of cannabis standard cultivation, cannabis standard processing, cannabis micro cultivation, cannabis micro processing or cannabis nurseries shall be 15 metres (50 feet).
4. The maximum footprint of any building or structure for the purposes of cannabis standard cultivation, cannabis standard processing, cannabis micro cultivation, cannabis micro processing or cannabis nurseries shall not exceed 250 square metres (2691 square feet).
5. The maximum gross floor area of any building or structure for the purposes of cannabis standard cultivation, cannabis standard processing, cannabis micro cultivation, cannabis micro processing or cannabis nurseries shall not exceed 600 square metres (6458 square feet).

RDCK zoning regulations do not specify that Cannabis needs to be grown outside or in a building with a soil base, but properties in the ALR would need to apply to the ALC for a non farm use for non-soil based cannabis facilities.



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