

City of Hamilton

Cannabis Policy Statement

For the purposes of this Policy Statement, a Cannabis Retail Store shall mean a store licensed by the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO).

1. Cannabis Retail Stores and Sensitive Activities:

In order to help ensure public health and safety, protect youth and reduce illegal sales, Retail Cannabis Stores should generally not be located within 300 metres of:

- Schools
- Parks and Open Spaces
- Alcohol and Detox Centres
- Day Nurseries/Child Care Centres
- Libraries
- Community Centres
- Mental Health/Addiction Centres

2. Cannabis Retail Stores should not be permitted in:

In the interest of public health and safety, Cannabis Retail Stores should not be permitted in the following:

- Areas that already have a high concentration of Cannabis Retail Stores (i.e. the "clustering" of stores should be avoided)
- Locations that have insufficient parking or transit access
- Locations that are in predominantly residential areas

3. Attached is a map showing the retail/commercial zones of the municipality and that would be prohibited with a 300 metres radial separation from schools:

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