## §1501. Personal adult use of cannabis and cannabis products

- **1. Authorized conduct.** Except as otherwise authorized by this Title, a person 21 years of age or older may:
  - A. Use, possess or transport cannabis paraphernalia; [PL 2017, c. 409, Pt. A, §6 (NEW); PL 2021, c. 669, §5 (REV).]
  - B. Use, possess or transport at any one time up to 2 1/2 ounces of cannabis or 2 1/2 ounces of a combination of cannabis and cannabis concentrate that includes no more than 10 grams of cannabis concentrate; [PL 2023, c. 396, §20 (AMD).]
  - C. Transfer or furnish, without remuneration, to a person 21 years of age or older up to 2 1/2 ounces of cannabis or 2 1/2 ounces of a combination of cannabis and cannabis concentrate that includes no more than 10 grams of cannabis concentrate; [PL 2023, c. 396, §21 (AMD).]
  - D. Transfer or furnish, without remuneration, to a person 21 years of age or older up to 6 immature cannabis plants or seedlings; [PL 2017, c. 409, Pt. A, §6 (NEW); PL 2021, c. 669, §5 (REV).]
  - E. Subject to the requirements and restrictions of section 1502, possess, cultivate or transport at any one time up to 6 mature cannabis plants, 12 immature cannabis plants and an unlimited number of seedlings and possess all the cannabis produced by such plants at the person's place of residence or at the location where the cannabis was cultivated; [PL 2023, c. 220, §1 (AMD).]
  - F. Subject to the limitations imposed under paragraph B, purchase up to 2 1/2 ounces of adult use cannabis or 2 1/2 ounces of a combination of adult use cannabis and cannabis concentrate that includes no more than 10 grams of cannabis concentrate from a cannabis store; and [PL 2023, c. 396, §22 (AMD).]
  - G. Subject to the limitations imposed under paragraph E, purchase up to 12 immature cannabis plants or seedlings from a nursery cultivation facility as described in section 301, subsection 5 or from a cannabis store. [PL 2017, c. 409, Pt. A, §6 (NEW); PL 2021, c. 669, §5 (REV).]

For the purposes of this subsection, "remuneration" includes a donation or any other monetary payment received directly or indirectly by a person in exchange for goods or services as part of a transaction in which cannabis, cannabis products or cannabis plants are transferred or furnished by that person to another person.

[PL 2023, c. 220, §1 (AMD); PL 2023, c. 396, §§20-22 (AMD).]

- **2.** Consumption of cannabis and cannabis products; violation. The provisions of this subsection apply to the consumption of cannabis or cannabis products by a person 21 years of age or older.
  - A. A person 21 years of age or older may consume cannabis or cannabis products only if that person is:
    - (1) In a private residence, including curtilage; or
    - (2) On private property, not generally accessible by the public, and the person is explicitly permitted to consume cannabis or cannabis products on the property by the owner of the property. [PL 2017, c. 409, Pt. A, §6 (NEW); PL 2021, c. 669, §5 (REV).]
  - B. A person 21 years of age or older may not consume cannabis or cannabis products:
    - (1) If that person is the operator of a vehicle on a public way or a passenger in the vehicle. As used in this subparagraph, "vehicle" has the same meaning as in Title 29-A, section 101, subsection 91;

- (2) In a private residence or on private property used as a day care or baby-sitting service during the hours in which the residence or property is being operated as a day care or baby-sitting service;
- (3) By means of smoking the cannabis or cannabis product in a designated smoking area as provided under the Workplace Smoking Act of 1985; or
- (4) By means of smoking the cannabis or cannabis product in a public place or in a public area where smoking is prohibited under Title 22, chapter 262. [PL 2017, c. 409, Pt. A, §6 (NEW); PL 2021, c. 669, §5 (REV).]
- C. A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of not more than \$100 may be adjudged in addition to any criminal or civil penalties that may be imposed pursuant to other applicable laws or rules. [PL 2017, c. 409, Pt. A, §6 (NEW).]

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