

Retail Store Licensing Process

Obtaining a retail license to sell recreational cannabis in BC is similar to the existing process for liquor licensing. Below is an overview of the **Provincial** & **Municipal** steps to obtaining a recreational cannabis retail license in BC.

1



Business registration/ID
Submit application & documents [i.e. location lease agreement, floor plan/site plan, consents to security/financial checks] to LCRB*



Pay \$7,500 application fee



Notice of application is sent to the Town of Smithers
The Town can decide whether or not to respond (no time limit)
No response = application does not proceed

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If considering the notice, local resident views must be considered
The Town can determine this process (i.e. written notice, hearings, etc)



Application must have all Town of Smithers approvals in place
i.e. Comply with Zoning & Town Business Licensing conditions (pending)



Recommendations & comments are sent to LCRB.

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LCRB grants conditional approval (if given)
Abide by license Terms & Conditions
Pass inspection



Pay \$1,500 license fee [annual] / receive license
Report sales [monthly]



Employee registration + training