

# Council Corner



## Town of Tofield explains where consumption of cannabis is now legal

The Federal Government recently permitted the consumption and sale of edible cannabis products. This coincides with the already permitted sale of cannabis products to be used for means such as smoking, and, or vaping. With this new permitted use for sale and consumption, the Council for the Town of Tofield repealed Bylaw 1300, which regulated and controlled the smoking and vaping of cannabis. Council then implemented Bylaw 1313 which regulates and controls the smoking, vaping and consumption of cannabis. This new piece on consumption will look to be applied to such cannabis materials as edibles, as has been discussed by the Federal Government.

Council wishes to highlight facts which are specific to the use and regulation of cannabis in the Town of Tofield.

**Q1:** *Can I use cannabis in any public space in Tofield?*

**A1:** The answer is no. The Town of Tofield passed Bylaw 1313, which is similar to many municipalities banning the use of cannabis products in any public place. The fine for contravention will begin at \$250.00 for a first offence.

**Q2:** *Where can I use cannabis?*

**A2:** Cannabis can only be consumed at a residence, a temporary residence or at a

designated location as approved by Council.

**Q3:** *Can I use cannabis in a vehicle?*

**A3:** No, provincial law prohibits the use of any cannabis products in a vehicle. Persons contravening this are subject to a fine of \$500.00

**Q4:** *What is the amount of cannabis I can have in my possession?*

**A4:** The legal possession limit for an adult is 30 grams of dry cannabis

**Q5:** *Can I transport cannabis in a vehicle?*

**A5:** As per provincial law, no person may transport cannabis in a vehicle unless the cannabis is contained in closed packaging that is out of the reach of the driver and any of the vehicle occupants. The fine for this infraction is \$100.00

**Q6:** *What is the legal age for someone to possess or use cannabis?*

**A6:** You must be 18 years of age to purchase, obtain or possess cannabis as per the provincial legislation. The fine for this contravention is \$100.00. If you

are under 18 you are not permitted in a licensed cannabis retail store even if accompanied by an adult.

It is important to note; the smoking and vaping of cannabis has the same spatial distances applied to use as the provincial regulation for smoking. Therefore, the use on spaces such as outdoor public patios or close proximity to the entrances to public spaces, is not permitted and a fineable offence. This regulation also applies to the use of edibles for consumption. To provide further clarity, and look to eliminate confusion, Council has provided for your review the entirety of Part 2, which is specific to Prohibition.

### PART 2 – PROHIBITION

No person shall smoke, vape or consume cannabis or products containing cannabis in any of the following places:

- i. a day care;
- ii. an eating and drinking establishment; or a licensed gaming establishment;
- iii. an outdoor patio;
- iv. a park;
- v. a place of worship;
- vi. a playground;
- vii. a public building;
- viii. a recreation facility;

- ix. a restaurant;
- x. a school;
- xi. a workplace.

No person shall smoke, vape or consume cannabis or products containing cannabis in, on or within any of the following places:

- i. an entrance or exit to a day care;
- ii. an entrance or exit to a place of worship;
- iii. an entrance or exist to a recreation facility;
- iv. an entrance or exit to a school;
- v. a park;
- vi. a playground.

No person shall smoke, vape or consume cannabis or products containing cannabis in any area or place where that person is prohibited from smoking or vaping under the Tobacco and Smoking Reduction Act, SA 2005, c. T-3.8.

The Council for the Town of Tofield strives to provide the most enjoyable community and amenities for their residents. The passing of this Bylaw continues on in this means.  
*Respectfully submitted,  
Mayor and Council.*

*Honour the past...*

*Build the Future*

The Town of  
**Tofield**