

Is cannabis legal in Malawi?

Yes, but only for medicinal and industrial purposes. Recreational use remains illegal.

What is Cannabis Regulatory Authority?

Cannabis Regulatory Authority (CRA) is a state corporation established by an Act of Parliament No. 6 of 2020.

What does CRA Do?

CRA is responsible to regulate the cultivation, propagation, storage, exportation, importation and distribution and use of cannabis (including *C. sativa*, *C. indica*, and *C. ruderalis*) for medicinal, industrial, and scientific applications.

What is the difference between Medicinal Cannabis and Industrial Hemp?

Medicinal cannabis contains high levels of Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), the main psychoactive compound found in cannabis responsible for the "high" or intoxicating effects. In Malawi medicinal cannabis was legalised for medical purposes only (for pain relief, nausea control, and other medical conditions).

Industrial hemp has some traits of THC (below 1%). Industrial hemp like other plants contains Cannabidiol (CBD) a non-psychoactive element and does not cause a 'high' effect hence it is safe for consumption and commercial use.

What Products are Made From Industrial Hemp?

Currently, Malawi market has the following locally processed CBD products;

- i. Culinary Hemp Seed Oil

- ii. CBD infused Honey,
- iii. Tea
- iv. Shelled Seeds
- v. Protein Powder
- vi. Smoking Flower
- vii. Hair and Body Oil

What Additional Products Are Made from Industrial Hemp?

- i. Biofuel for cooking
- ii. Hempcrete for construction.

Why Consume or Use CBD Products?

CBD products are consumed and used for;

- i. Pain relief*
- ii. Reducing anxiety*
- iii. Managing epilepsy and seizures*
- iv. Improving sleep*
- v. Anti-inflammatory effect*
- vi. Source of fuel for cooking*
- vii. Construction*

Who is Legible to get a License?

- i. Cooperatives*
- ii. Companies*
- iii. Partnerships*

What are the types of Licenses one can get?

- i. License to Cultivate and Sell*
- ii. License to Process*
- iii. License to Store*
- iv. License to Export*
- v. License to Distribute*

What are the Requirements for obtaining a License?

- i. Registration Certificate of the Group or Company*
- ii. A group of 10 to 100 farmers*
- iii. A minimum of 5 hectares within a 5km radius*
- iv. Police Clearance Certificate for Group Leadership*
- v. Off-taker Agreement (Market)*
- vi. Business Plan*
- vii. GPS Coordinates of the premises*

How Can one apply for a License?

- i. Obtain prescribed forms from CRA, or request through email from info@cra.mw) or download from www.cra.mw*
- ii. Make the application for a license or permit to the Director General.*
- iii. Submit the completed application form accompanied with a non-refundable processing fees (As provided in the Fees Schedule)*

Where can one get the seeds?

- i. Seed-Multiplication Licensees*
- ii. Import through CRA*
- iii. Off-takers*

Where Can one grow Cannabis?

- i. Open Field*
- ii. Green Houses*

What security measures are required for cultivation?

For Medicinal Cannabis Cultivation

- i. Visual security either in person or electronically*
- ii. Implement appropriate access control measures*
- iii. Physical barriers such as fencing or armed guards*

For Industrial Hemp cultivation

- i. Bar unauthorised access and;*
- ii. May establish biological barriers*

What are the license Fees?

(attach Revised Fees Schedule)

Kodi ulimi wa chamba ndi ndiwovomerezeka ku Malawi?

Inde, koma pa zolinga za mankhwala ndi mafakitale. Kugwiritsa ntchito chamba pa zosangalatsa kudakali kosavomerezedwa.

Kodi Cannabis Regulatory Authority ndi Chani?

Cannabis Regulatory Authority (CRA) ndi bungwe la boma lomwe linakhazikitsidwa mu mchaka cha 2020 potsatira lamulo la Nyumba ya Malamulo No. 6.

Kodi CRA imagwira ntchito yanji?

CRA ili ndi udindo woyang'anira ulimi, kuchulukitsa mbeu, kusunga mbeu, kutumiza kunja, kulowetsa m'dziko mmuno, mtengatenga, ndi kugwiritsa ntchito chamba (cha mitundu wa *C. sativa*, *C. indica*, ndi *C. ruderalis*) pazifukwa zamankhwala, zamakampani, ndi zasayansi.

Kodi pali kusiyana kotani pakati pa Chamba Chamankhwala ndi Hemp ya Mafakitale?

Chamba chamankhwala chili ndi THC (mphamvu ya chamba) yambiri ndipo ku Malawi kuno chimagwiritsidwa ntchito pomangira mankhwala. THC ndi mphamvu yomwe imapangitsa kusintha kwa bongo kapena kumva uchidakwa pamene munthu wadya chamba chokhala ndi THC chimene ku Malawi kuno ndi chamankhwala. Chamba chamankhwala chinalolezedwa pa zolinga za mankhwala okha, monga kuchotsa ululu, kuchepetsa chizungulire, komanso kuchiza matenda ena.

Hemp ya mafakitale ili ndi THC pang'ono kwambiri (osapitirira 1%). Monga zomera zina, hemp ya mafakitale ili ndi Cannabidiol (CBD), yomwe ndi mphamvu ya mbeu yi koma sichimayambitsa kusintha bongo, kotero ndi yotetezeka kudya, kuyika mu zakudya, kumwa ngati hemp tiyi, kusuta komanso kugwiritsidwa ntchito njira zosiyasiyana.

Ndi Zinthu Ziti Zomwe Zimapangidwa Kuchokera ku Hemp ya Mafakitale?

Padakali pano, pamsika wa Malawi pali zinthu za Hemp ya Mafakitale zopangidwa m'dziko mwathu muno monga:

- i. Mafuta a zakudya
- ii. Uchi wokhala ndi CBD
- iii. Tiyi
- iv. Mbeu zokonola (Shelled Seeds)
- v. Ufa wa mapulotini (Protein Powder)
- vi. Maluwa wosuta (Smoking Flower)
- vii. Mafuta a tsitsi ndi thupi

Zinthu Zina Zomwe Zimapangidwa ndi Hemp ya Mafakitale?

- i. Nkhuni zophikira
- ii. Njerwa yomangira nyumba

Ndi Ubwino Wanji Wakudya Zakudya Kapena Kugwiritsa Ntchito Zinthu za Hemp Yamafakitale Imene Imakhala ndi CBD?

Zinthu zopangidwa kuchokera ku Hemp zimagwiritsidwa ntchito chifukwa zimathandiza mu njira izi:

- i. Kuchepetsa kapenso kuthetsa ululu
- ii. Kuchepetsa nkawa
- iii. Kuthandiza anthu omwe ali ndi matenda a khunyu (epilepsy)
- iv. Kuwonjezera tulo
- v. Kuchepetsa kutupa (anti-inflammatory effect)
- vi. Kuphikira ngati nkhuni
- vii. Kugwiritsidwa ntchito pozomangamanga

Ndani angadule layisensi?

- i. Magulu ogwirizana (Cooperatives)
- ii. Makampani (Companies)
- iii. Ubale wa bizinesi (Partnerships)

Kodi pali mitundu yanji ya ma layisensi omwe CRA imapeleka?

- i. Layisensi yolima ndi kugulitsa
- ii. Layisensi yokonza zinthu kukochera ku Hemp
- iii. Layisensi yosunga
- iv. Layisensi yotumiza kunja
- v. Layisensi yogawa

Ndi chani chofunikira pakapezedwe ka layisensi?

- i. Satifiketi ya Gulu kapena Kampani (Registration Certificate)
- ii. Gulu la alimi 10 mpaka 100
- iii. Ma hekitala osachepera 5 mkati mwa mtunda wa 5km
- iv. Police clearance Satifiketi kwa atsogoleri a gulu
- v. Mgwirizano wa wogula malonda (Market Off-taker Agreement)
- vi. Dongosolo la bizinesi (Business Plan)
- vii. Zizindikiro za GPS za malo

Kodi Ndondomeko Yotengera Liyisensi ndi Iti?

- i. Filani fomu yosindikizidwa ndi CRA yolongosola pempho lanu la layisensi, kapena kufunsani kudzera pa imelo iyi info@cra.mw mukhonzanso kupeza fomuyi pa intaneti ku www.cra.mw
- ii. Pempholi lidzere kwa Director General.
- iii. Kasiyeni kapena tumizani fomu ya pempho lanu kuphatikizapo ndalama yolembetsera, yomwe siyidzabwezedwa. (mtengo wake uli mu 'Revised Fees Schedule')

Kodi Mbeu Ingapezeke Kuti?

- i. Mabungwe ovomerezeka ochulukitsa mbeu
- ii. Kugula kunja kudzera ku CRA
- iii. Kwa wogula malonda (Off-taker)

Kodi chamba chingalimidwe kuti?

- i. M'munda
- ii. Mu nyumba za green house

Kodi tiyenera kukhazikitsa chitetezo chanji?

Ku ulimi wa Chamba cha Mankhwala

- i. Kuyang'anira chitetezo mwachindunji kapena pogwiritsa ntchito makamera
- ii. Kuyika njira zoyenera zopewera kulowa m'munda popanda chilolezo
- iii. Kuyika zotchinga monga mipanda kapena alonda okhala ndi zida

Ku ulimi wa Industrial Hemp

- i. Kuletsa anthu osaloledwa
- ii. Kukhazikitsa njira zachilengedwe zoteteza malo

Kodi ndalama zolipirira layisensi ndi zingati?

(Revised Fees Schedule) www.cra.mw