



Common Ground Country Fair (CGCF)
Controlled Substance, Alcohol & Hemp Policy

Definitions

- Hemp means *Cannabis* plants with less than 0.3% Delta-9 THC.
- Cannabis means *Cannabis* plants with more than 0.3% Delta-9 THC.
- Identification means a current and valid identification card.
- 21+ means individuals who are 21 years of age or older.

A. No federally controlled substance is allowed for onsite retail sales, marketing, display or sampling on the Fairgrounds. No alcohol is allowed for onsite retail sales or sampling on the Fairgrounds. The only controlled substance educational presentations that may be allowed onsite are for cannabis - detailed in section C and as governed by Maine state law.

B. MOFGA-certified CBD products made in Maine from hemp and processed in an approved facility/lab, (either certified organic or by affidavit of organic processing), may be sold by Maine state licensed vendors. These hemp derived products may include CBD infused foods, hulled seeds, protein powders, seed oil, and cosmetics. CBD products may not be marketed as a drug or having therapeutic properties per the FDA. All products must be labeled as dictated by law. THC content of any hemp product must be less than 0.3% Delta-9 THC. Only products created using non-toxic CBD extractive methods; heat, organic oils, CO2 extraction, organic ethanol, organic alcohol, or ice and water are allowed. CBD produced with toxic extractive methods eg. hexane, butane etc will not be allowed. Products processed with solvents to isolate or increase Delta-8 THC may not be sold or given away onsite. All foods must adhere to the MOFGA's food policy. Samples of food, with MOFGA-certified CBD as a food additive, or cosmetic products must be listed on the exhibitor application and are subject to approval. Cooking demonstrations may only use MOFGA-certified hemp extract. Intact seeds, live plants or buds of the cannabis plant, regardless of THC content, may not be exhibited, sold or given away onsite. All educational talks and demonstrations that cover the business, finance, or economics of CBD must explain the restriction on use of hemp from outside and inside Maine, THC limits, and labeling and packaging regulations.

C. Displays, educational talks, and literature on cannabis may be given by individuals working under a Maine state license and only to attendees that have shown identification, ID, proving they are 21+ or who have a current Office of Marijuana Policy Medical Use of Marijuana Program patient ID card with a photo identification, ID, card. A signed agreement and legal compliance from the exhibitor/presenter/booth workers and the Maine state license holding employer is required. In accordance with the law, displays and everything in the booth area must be explicitly geared to





individuals 21+ and can not claim any curative or therapeutic benefits. Literature, sign-up sheets, and donation jars may only be made available after an attendee has shown identification, ID, proof they are 21+ or who have a current Office of Marijuana Policy Medical Use of Marijuana Program patient ID card with a photo identification, ID, card. All educational talk audience members must be carded to ensure compliance with the requirements for information above. The speaker must provide explicit signage about content, age and/or identification, ID, requirements. All educational talks and demonstrations that provide tools for cannabis business development, sale, and home use, must provide accurate information about Maine laws in their demonstrations, displays, and literature. No cannabis plant may be present or consumed. We are unable to accept any Exhibition Hall entries of cannabis or its derived products.

D. Displays, educational talks, and literature on producing alcohol for sale must be only given to attendees that have shown a current identification, ID, proving they are 21+. Displays, educational talks, and literature on homebrewing may be given to attendees of any age provided they have a guardian present who is 21+. A spot check of identification, IDs, must be completed if a guardian or an unaccompanied participant appears to be under 27 years of age. A signed agreement and legal compliance from the exhibitor/presenter/booth workers is required. In accordance with the law, displays and everything in the booth area must be explicitly geared to individuals 21+ and can not be marketed as claiming any curative or therapeutic benefits. Literature, sign-up sheets, and donation jars may only be made available after an attendee has shown a current identification, ID proof they are 21+. Educational talk audience members must be 21+ and this is accomplished through personal identification carding and explicit signage about content and age requirement.

E. Any recreational use of a controlled substance or alcohol is addressed by the General Guidelines of the Fair, to be in compliance with Maine state law.

Disclaimer: MOFGA must and will abide by all federal and state laws and requirements. If there is a change in laws, insurance policies, or MOFGA policies, we reserve the right to update this policy. If a change affects a contracted exhibitor or speaker they will be notified as soon as possible. If a change results in a person or organization not being able to participate in the Fair, any paid booth fees will be refunded and the contract will be nullified.

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