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Camera Placement at DCC-Licensed Facilities

The Division of Cannabis Control (DCC or the Division) is issuing the following guidance as it relates to the placement of cameras at DCC-licensed facilities in accordance with security and surveillance rules (Ohio Administrative Codes 1301:18-5-05, 1301:18-6-04, 1301:18-8-05).

Licensees must install unobstructed cameras in a manner that prevents tampering and clearly identifies all individuals and activities in the area. This includes:

- All points of entry and exit;
- Any cannabis in the facility, whether growing, harvested, in production, packaged, or transferred for sale;
- Transfer and storage of sales proceeds (cash); and
- The entirety of the licensed premises, including but not limited to: parking lots, storage facilities, delivery areas, dumpsters, curbside pick-up, drive-thru.

Any area that meets any one or more of the above must be properly covered by cameras. For example, an office used only for administrative purposes may not need a camera; however, if that same office contains a drop box for cash, it would require a camera. Another example, a conference room used only for meetings may not need a camera; however, if the room contains an exterior door or window permitting entry and exit from the building, it would require a camera.

If an area of the facility is not under camera coverage, that area may not contain any points of entry or exit, no cannabis may be in the area at any time, no sales may occur in the area, and no cash may be stored in the area.

As a reminder, per Ohio Administrative Code (OAC), licensees are required to complete required system checks monthly and immediately notify the Division of any failure in the facility's security and surveillance system or any associated equipment.

Failing to continuously monitor cannabis at a DCC-licensed facility will result in enforcement action taken against the licensee.

Additional Resources:

- Sales to Patients and Caregivers Outside of the Dispensary
- Dispensary Drive-Thru Guidance
- OAC 1301:18-5-05: Cultivator Minimum Security and Surveillance Requirements
- OAC 1301:18-6-04: Processor Minimum Security and Surveillance Requirements
- OAC 1301:18-8-05: Minimum Security and Surveillance Requirements

Licensee Resources

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