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## 10(B) Provisional License Expiration

The Division of Cannabis Control (DCC or Division) is notifying 10(B) dispensaries, that under the newly signed Senate Bill 56, Provisional Dispensary Licenses issued after March 18, 2026, will expire 18 months after issuance. While the 18-month provisional license (PDL) expiration is not retroactive to already-issued licenses, the Division will accept variance requests from provisional licensees whose license was issued prior to March 18, 2026, for extension to 18 months from the original provisional license issuance date. The variance request must be submitted through the [DCC eLicense](#) portal.

**It is each licensee's responsibility to know their license expiration date and submit a variance request, if necessary, in a timely manner consistent with this communication.**

A DCC eLicense Portal User with access to the PDL license can find their PDL expiration date in [DCC eLicense](#) by following these steps:

- Log into the [DCC eLicense Portal](#).
- Click on **Manage Licenses**.
- The expiration date can be found in the far-right column labeled **EXPIRATION DATE**.

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ACTIONS	ACCOUNT	LICENSE	LICENSE TYPE	LICENSE CLASSIFICATION	LICENSE STATUS	EXPIRATION DATE
▼	TEST ACCOUNT, CULTIVATOR1, LLC	CCL000019-00	Dual Use Testing Laboratory	Certificate of Operation	Active	10/10/2025
▼	TEST ACCOUNT, CULTIVATOR1, LLC	CCC000056-00	Dual Use Cultivator Level I	Certificate of Operation	Active	01/30/2026
▼	TEST ACCOUNT, CULTIVATOR1, LLC	CCD000172-00	Dual Use Dispensary	Certificate of Operation	Active	10/14/2026
▼	TEST ACCOUNT, CULTIVATOR1, LLC	CCD000171-00	Dual Use Dispensary	Certificate of Operation	Active	01/21/2026
▼	TEST ACCOUNT, CULTIVATOR1, LLC	MMPC000207	Cultivator Level I	Certificate of Operation	Active	02/27/2025
▼	TEST ACCOUNT, CULTIVATOR1, LLC	MMD.0700184	Dispensary	Certificate of Operation	Active	10/12/2026

### Variance Request Requirements:

- The variance request must meet all criteria required by rule, which can be found in Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) [1301:18-9-06](#). If a variance request does not clearly explain how each of these four standards found in [1301:18-9-06](#) are met, it may be denied.
- The variance request must include the following additional documentation:
  - The completed and signed Notice of Proper Zoning form for the location of the PDL.
  - The completed and signed Property Owner Approval for Use form for the location of the PDL.
  - Evidence of site control. This is documentation such as a lease agreement or similar documentation.
  - The completed forms and documentation may be those originally submitted with the licensee's 10(B) Facility Site Location Application, or they may be updated since that time. In either case, the licensee must also provide a narrative affirming either 1) that the licensee maintains proper zoning and site control, or 2) if the licensee cannot affirm both of those are true, then the narrative must explain clearly why that is the case and describe the licensee's plans for ensuring proper zoning and/or site control.
- The variance request must be submitted at least 30 days prior to the PDL expiration date. The licensee will receive a reminder email from the Division 60 days prior to expiration of their PDL. Failure to submit a timely extension in accordance with this guidance may result in further action by the Division, including a civil penalty, license suspension, or revocation, per [1301:18-9-05](#).
- After March 18, 2026, under Senate Bill 56, any PDL extensions requested will require that the licensee show that they have made a "good faith" effort to become operational. Therefore, licensees are encouraged to keep any related documentation should they need to request a future extension.
- Again, the variance request must be submitted through the [DCC eLicense](#) portal, even if the variance is being prepared by a representative.
- To ensure proper processing time, the variance must be requested 30 days prior to the original expiration date. The Division will review the request in the month leading up to the expiration date.

All questions must be submitted to the Cannabis Service Center via the CSC Licensee Portal or by emailing [DCCLicensing@com.ohio.gov](mailto:DCCLicensing@com.ohio.gov).

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