**SANITATION GUIDANCE FOR DENVER MARIJUANA CENTERS & STORES**

**HAND WASHING SINKS**
You **MUST** wash your hands in a sink specifically designated for washing hands. These sinks may not be used for anything else.

**REQUIRED**

**HANDWASHING**
Employees should properly wash hands in the designated sink prior to donning new gloves and between glove changes. Hand sanitizer may not be used in place of a hand wash.

**RECOMMENDED**

**CLEANING/SANITIZING**
All equipment and utensils that come into contact with cannabis products (including sifters, jars, scales, scissors, grinders, tongs, etc.) should be properly cleaned between each use and batch. Sanitize equipment, utensils, and product contact surfaces between uses and as necessary with a sanitizing agent such as isopropyl alcohol or an EPA-approved, food-grade sanitizer.

**RECOMMENDED**

**HANDLING**
Handle all plant material with gloved hands or clean and sanitized equipment such as tongs. Gloves should be changed between tasks and when gloves are contaminated. Do not sell material that has been previously stored in display jars that customers may have soiled.

**RECOMMENDED**

**WASTEWATER**
Mop water and wastewater may **NOT** be dumped in the hand washing sink or outside. Wastewater must be disposed of in a designated mop sink or floor sink in accordance with Denver wastewater rules and regulations.

**REQUIRED**

**EQUIPMENT**
All equipment and utensils that contact plant material should be constructed of a food grade material, be smooth and non-absorbent, and be easy to clean.

**RECOMMENDED**

**MONITORING**
Visually inspect all marijuana products and plant material, and dispose of anything that is visibly moldy, contaminated, adulterated, or unhealthy. Selling harmful cannabis could result in enforcement actions.

**RECOMMENDED**

**STORAGE**
Avoid storing plant material or edible products in warm, moist or extreme conditions. Edible products should be stored 6 inches above ground or in clean, waterproof containers. Cannabis products should be stored in a manner that protects them from contamination.

**RECOMMENDED**

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