



Possession of marijuana is now legal in the District of Columbia for adults 21 & older in some circumstances. Know the facts!

- » If you're 21 & over, you can possess up to 2 ounces of marijuana, grow up to 6 cannabis plants in your home (no more than 3 of which are mature), or give away up to 1 ounce of marijuana to another person that's at least 21 years old.
- » If you're under 21, you cannot possess any amount of marijuana. Any marijuana can be seized by an officer.
- » You can be arrested if you smoke or consume marijuana in public, have more than 2 ounces, or sell any amount of marijuana.
- » Driving while under the influence of marijuana is a dangerous crime and will be prosecuted.
- » Under federal law, federal law enforcement officers may arrest anyone in the District for possession of any amount of marijuana.
- » To learn more, please visit www.mpdc.dc.gov/marijuana.



You shouldn't use marijuana just because local laws have changed.

- » Some studies indicate that marijuana use may have serious long-term effects, especially when used by children or teens.
- » Marijuana use while pregnant may pose health risks to the fetus.
- » Operating a vehicle or heavy machinery after using marijuana may lead to serious injury and arrest.
- » To find out about substance use disorder prevention and treatment services, please call the DC Department of Behavioral Health Access Helpline at 1-888-793-4357 or visit dbh.dc.gov
- » If your marijuana was seized by an MPD officer because you didn't provide proof of age, you can retrieve the marijuana by bringing the ticket issued by the officer and proof of your age to the police station in the district where the seizure occurred, no sooner than 24 hours & no later than 21 days after it was seized.