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Maine Office of Cannabis Policy

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# Maine Office of Cannabis Policy Issues Health and Safety Recall for Select Adult Use Flower and Pre-Rolls Produced by Cannabis Cured

The affected cannabis flower and pre-rolls were sold at eight adult use retail stores across Maine between August 27, 2024, and September 9, 2024

**AUGUSTA, Maine** – The Maine Office of Cannabis Policy (OCP) is today issuing a health and safety recall for one strain of adult use cannabis flower and three strains of adult use pre-rolls produced by Cannabis Cured. The products were sold at eight adult use retail stores located in Bangor, Carrabassett Valley, Damariscotta, Eliot, Fairfield, Stratton, Thomaston, and Northport. Pursuant to an investigation into irregular mandatory test results reported to OCP, the products are being recalled due to failure of Yeast and Mold audit testing conducted by the Office.

Inhaling cannabis containing unsafe levels of mold can lead to sinus issues, allergies, headaches, dizziness, or fatigue. Consumers who purchased these products should return them to the retailer or dispose of them. Any consumer who has ingested these products and is experiencing symptoms or adverse reactions should contact their physician immediately.

All adult use cannabis is required to have a label affixed to the package that indicates the product's batch number. Consumers should check the label of their cannabis flower or pre-rolls for the batch numbers listed below under "Product Information".

This recall affects the following products sold in Maine between August 27, 2024, and September 9, 2024, at the following adult use retail store locations:

#### **Product Information**

Strain name: GG4

**Product type:** 1-gram single pre-rolls *and* 1-gram pre-rolls sold in 5-packs

**Batch number:** 1A40D0300000709000003363 **Dates sold:** August 27, 2024 – September 9, 2024

Strain name: Jelly Donutz

**Product type:** 1/8-ounce flower *and* 1-gram single pre-rolls

**Batch number:** 1A40D0300000709000003365 **Dates sold:** August 28, 2024 – September 9, 2024

Strain name: Portal

**Product type:** 1-gram pre-rolls sold in 5-packs **Batch number:** 1A40D0300000709000003367 **Dates sold:** August 28, 2024 – September 3, 2024



The photo above shows the product packaging for the Portal 1-gram pre-rolls sold in 5-packs. Emphasis has been added to the photo to show where on the label consumers can find their product's batch number.

#### **Retail Store Information**

**Store name / license:** Cannabis Cured / AMS564 **Location:** 49A Bangor Mall Blvd, Bangor, ME 04401

Store name / license: Cannabis Cured / AMS809

Location: 1215 Carrabassett Dr, Carrabassett Valley, ME 04947

**Store name / license:** Cannabis Cured / AMS1399 **Location:** 53A Chapman St, Damariscotta, ME 04543

**Store name / license:** Cannabis Cured / AMS1193 **Location:** 28 Levesque Dr Suite 16, Eliot, ME 03903

Store name / license: Cannabis Cured / AMS1241

**Location:** 228 Norridgewock Rd Suite C, Fairfield, ME 04937

Store name / license: Cannabis Cured / AMS124

Location: 152 Main St, Stratton, ME 04982

**Store name / license:** Cannabis Cured / AMS565 **Location:** 155 New County Rd, Thomaston, ME 04861 **Store name / license:** Sweet Relief / AMS206 **Location:** 1 Priest Rd, Northport, ME 04849

Additional information about this recall is available at https://www.maine.gov/dafs/ocp/recalls/cannabis-cured-9-2024.

This recall, the first issued by the Office since the launch of the Adult Use Cannabis Program in 2020, was made possible due to the testing and tracking requirements of the program and the Office's commitment to ongoing rigorous review of mandatory test results. Because of the work of OCP's chemist, the Office was able to quickly identify the testing irregularity and begin its investigation, including taking and testing samples from affected batches. The detailed information contained in the State's cannabis inventory tracking system allowed OCP to put an administrative hold on items during the pendency of its investigation and ensure that the recall is narrowly tailored to target only those items that include contaminated cannabis.

## **About the Office of Cannabis Policy (OCP)**

The Mills Administration created the Office of Cannabis Policy (OCP) within the Department of Administration and Financial Services (DAFS) in February 2019. The Office is responsible for the oversight of all aspects of legalized cannabis in Maine, including the Medical Use of Cannabis Program and the Adult Use Cannabis Program.