

1 **Rule 64-4.307 Standard Operating Procedures**

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3 (1) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must develop, maintain, and implement test methods  
4 and corresponding written quality documentation in conformity with this rule, any required  
5 accreditation pursuant to Rule 64-4.301, and Florida statutes. A Certified Medical Marijuana  
6 Testing Laboratory must create and maintain Standard Operating Procedures for the analytes and  
7 materials within Rule 64-4.310 F.S., as well as the following testing functions and responsibilities:

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9 (a) identification, Calibration, and maintenance of equipment and instruments;  
10 (b) chain of custody protocols;  
11 (c) data review and internal review processes;  
12 (d) analytical methods;  
13 (e) cleaning procedures for equipment, workspaces, and Secure Storage;  
14 (f) contingency plans for data that is not within control limits, or is otherwise unacceptable  
15 for analysis;  
16 (g) Employee training;  
17 (h) premises and sample security;  
18 (i) Proficiency Testing instructions provided with Proficiency Testing samples;  
19 (j) Quality Assurance and Quality Control procedures;  
20 (k) recordkeeping and record retention;  
21 (l) sample preparation;  
22 (m) sample identification;  
23 (n) sample rejection;  
24 (o) sample destruction;  
25 (p) sample disposal;  
26 (q) disposal of non-marijuana laboratory waste;  
27 (r) sample Secure Storage;  
28 (s) schedule and process for internal audits and corrective actions; and  
29 (t) disposal of marijuana and laboratory waste.

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31 (2) Standard Operating Procedures for analytical methods must conform to the following:

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33 (a) Standard Operating Procedures must include:  
34 1. The name of the testing method;  
35 2. A list of all analytes tested for using said method;  
36 3. The applicable Matrix or matrices;  
37 4. Method sensitivity;  
38 5. Common potential interferences;  
39 6. The analytical instruments used;  
40 7. Consumable supplies, Reagents, and standards;  
41 8. Sample preservation and hold time;  
42 9. Type, frequency, and acceptable criteria for Quality Control samples;  
43 10. Type, frequency, and acceptable criteria for Calibration Standards;  
44 11. Procedures for analyzing Analytical Batch samples;  
45 12. Data quality assessment and acceptance criteria;  
46 13. Calibration of results; and

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14. Reagent and Certified Reference Material preparation.

(b) Laboratory Directors must review, approve, sign, and date each Standard Operating Procedure and each revision to a Standard Operating Procedure. All Standard Operating Procedures must include the dates of issue and dates of revision.

(c) The latest revised Standard Operating Procedures must be kept on Testing Facility premises and be accessible to all Employees during all hours of operation.

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56 **Rule 64-4.308 Testing Methods**

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58 (1) Testing methods must conform to the following:

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60 (a) Methods applicable for Microbiological Testing:

- 61 1. United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA), 2016. Bacterial Analytical  
62 Manual (BAM), incorporated by reference herein and available at  
63 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>;  
64 2. Association of Analytical Communities (AOAC), 2016. *Salmonella* in Foods with  
65 a Low Microbial Load, 2000.06, incorporated by reference herein and available at  
66 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>;  
67 3. International Standards Organization (ISO), 2002. ISO 6579:2017 Microbiology  
68 of the Food Chain – Horizontal Method for the Detection, Enumeration, and  
69 serotyping of Salmonella, incorporated by reference herein and available at  
70 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>;  
71 4. International Standards Organization (ISO), 2012. ISO 13136:2012 Microbiology  
72 of Food and Animal Feed, incorporated by reference herein and available at  
73 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>;  
74 5. Salfinger, Yvonne, and Tortorello, Mary Lou, 2015. *Compendium of Methods for*  
75 *the Microbiological Examination of Foods, 5<sup>th</sup> edition.* American Public Health  
76 Association, incorporated by reference herein and available at  
77 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>;  
78 6. United States Department of Agriculture: Food Safety and Inspection Services  
79 (USDA FSIS), 2016. Microbiology Laboratory Guidebook, incorporated by  
80 reference herein and available at  
81 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>;  
82 7. Association of Analytical Communities (AOAC), 2016. Yeast and Mold Counts in  
83 Foods, 997.02, incorporated by reference herein and available at  
84 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>;  
85 8. AOAC International, Official Methods of Analysis of AOAC International (21<sup>th</sup>  
86 edition, 2019). The Department has determined that posting the incorporated material  
87 on the internet would constitute a violation of the federal copyright law. The  
88 incorporated material will be available for public inspection and examination at the  
89 Florida Department of Health, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.  
90 9. Methods of analysis for contamination testing within United States Pharmacopeia  
91 and the National Formulary (USP-NF) (2018). The Department has determined that  
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93 federal copyright law. The incorporated material will be available for public  
94 inspection and examination at the Florida Department of Health, 4052 Bald Cypress  
95 Way, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

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97 (b) Methods applicable to Residual Solvent testing.

- 98 1. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). 624.1 Purgeable by GC/MS,  
99 incorporated by reference herein and available at  
100 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>;

101 2. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). 8260D Volatile Organic Compounds by  
102 GC/MS, incorporated by reference herein and available at  
103 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>;

104 3. Methods of analysis for contamination testing within United States Pharmacopeia  
105 and the National Formulary (USP-NF) (2018). The Department has determined that  
106 posting the incorporated material on the internet would constitute a violation of the  
107 federal copyright law. The incorporated material will be available for public  
108 inspection and examination at the Florida Department of Health, 4052 Bald Cyprus  
109 Way, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

110  
111 (c) Methods applicable to Heavy Metals testing.

112 1. U.S. Food and Drug Administration, Elemental Analysis Manual for Food and  
113 Related Products, (March 2015), incorporated by reference herein and available at  
114 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>;

115 2. United States Department of Agriculture: Food Safety and Inspection Services  
116 (USDA FSIS), 2016. Chemistry Laboratory Guidebook, incorporated by reference  
117 herein and available at [https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-](https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX)  
118 [XXXXX](https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX);

119 3. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). 6010D Inductively Coupled Plasma-  
120 Atomic Emission Spectrometry, incorporated by reference herein and available at  
121 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>;

122 4. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). 6020B Inductively Coupled Plasma-  
123 Mass Spectrometry, incorporated by reference herein and available at  
124 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>;

125 5. AOAC International, Official Methods of Analysis of AOAC International (21th  
126 edition, 2019). The Department has determined that posting the incorporated material  
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130 6. Methods of analysis for contamination testing within United States Pharmacopeia  
131 and the National Formulary (USP-NF) (2018). The Department has determined that  
132 posting the incorporated material on the internet would constitute a violation of the  
133 federal copyright law. The incorporated material will be available for public  
134 inspection and examination at the Florida Department of Health, 4052 Bald Cyprus  
135 Way, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

136  
137 (d) Methods applicable to Agricultural Agent testing.

138 1. Association of Analytical Communities (AOAC), 2016. Pesticide Residues in  
139 Foods by Acetonitrile Extraction and Partitioning the Magnesium Sulfate, 2007.01,  
140 incorporated by reference herein and available at  
141 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>;

142 2. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), 2016. Pesticide Analytical Manual (PAM),  
143 incorporated by reference herein and available at  
144 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>;

145 3. United States Department of Agriculture: Food Safety and Inspection Services  
146 (USDA FSIS), 2016. Chemistry Laboratory Guidebook, incorporated by reference

147 herein and available at [https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-](https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX)  
148 XXXXX;

149 4. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Testing Methods for Evaluating Solid  
150 Waste: Physical/Chemical Methods Compendium (SW-846) 8000 Series,  
151 incorporated by reference herein and available at  
152 [http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX.](http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX)

153 5. AOAC International, Official Methods of Analysis of AOAC International (21th  
154 edition, 2019). The Department has determined that posting the incorporated material  
155 on the internet would constitute a violation of the federal copyright law. The  
156 incorporated material will be available for public inspection and examination at the  
157 Florida Department of Health, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

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159 and the National Formulary (USP-NF) (2018). The Department has determined that  
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161 federal copyright law. The incorporated material will be available for public  
162 inspection and examination at the Florida Department of Health, 4052 Bald Cypress  
163 Way, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

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165 (e) Methods applicable to Water Activity and Moisture testing.

166 1. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration, Water Activity (Aw) in Foods (April  
167 1984), incorporated by reference herein and available at  
168 [https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX.](https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX)

169 2. United States Department of Agriculture: Food Safety and Inspection Services  
170 (USDA FSIS), 2016. Chemistry Laboratory Guidebook, incorporated by reference  
171 herein and available at [https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-](https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX)  
172 XXXXX;

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174 (f) Methods Applicable to Cannabinoid Profile testing.

175 1. Backer, Benjamin De., et al., 2009. Innovative development and validation of an  
176 HPLC/DAD method for the qualitative and quantitative determination of major  
177 cannabinoids in cannabis plant material. *Journal of Chromatography B*, 887 4115-  
178 4124, incorporated by reference herein and available at  
179 [https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX.](https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX)

180 2. Recommended Method for the Identification and Analysis of Cannabis and  
181 Cannabis Products: Manual for Use by National Drug Analysis Laboratories. United  
182 Nations, incorporated by reference herein and available at  
183 [https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX.](https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX)

184 3. Gambaro, Veniero., et al., 2002. Determination of primary active constituents in  
185 Cannabis preparations by high-resolution gas chromatography/flame ionization  
186 detection and high-performance liquid chromatography/UV detection. *Analytica*  
187 *Chimica Acta* 468, 245-254, incorporated by reference herein and available at  
188 [https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX.](https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX)

189 4. Stolker, A.A.M., et al., 2004. Determination of cannabinoids in cannabis products  
190 using liquid chromatography-ion trap mass spectrometry. *Journal of Chromatography*  
191 *A*, 1058, 143-151, incorporated by reference herein and available at  
192 [https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX.](https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX)

193 5. Upton, Roy et al., 2014. Cannabis Inflorescence Cannabis Spp.: Standards of  
194 Identity, Analysis, and Quality Control. American Herbal Pharmacopoeia,  
195 incorporated by reference herein and available at  
196 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX;>  
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198 (g) A Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory may provide an alternative, scientifically  
199 valid testing methodology, subject to the following requirements:

200 1. Any alternative, scientifically valid testing methodologies must be validated in  
201 accordance with either:

202 a. the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, Guidelines for the Validation of  
203 Methods for the Detection of Microbial Pathogens in Foods and Feeds (2nd  
204 edition, 2015), incorporated by reference herein and available at  
205 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX;> or

206 b. the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, Guidelines for the Validation of  
207 Chemical Methods for FDA FVM Program (2nd edition, 2015), incorporated by  
208 reference herein and available at  
209 [https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX.](https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX;)

210 c. Association of Analytical Communities (AOAC), 2012. Methods Committee  
211 Guidelines for Validation of Microbiological Methods for Food and  
212 Environmental Surfaces, incorporated by reference herein and available at  
213 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX;>

214 d. Association of Analytical Communities (AOAC), 2002. Guidelines for Single  
215 Laboratory Validation of Chemical Methods for Dietary Supplements and  
216 Botanicals, incorporated by reference herein and available at  
217 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX;>

218 e. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), 2015. Analytical Procedures and  
219 Methods Validation for Drugs and Biologics, incorporated by reference herein  
220 and available at [https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-](https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX;)  
221 [XXXXX;](https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX;)

222 f. International Conference on Harmonization (ICH), 1996. Harmonized Tripartite  
223 Guideline Validations of Analytical Procedures: Text and Methodology,  
224 incorporated by reference herein and available at  
225 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX;>

226 g. United States Department of Agriculture Food Safety and Inspection Services  
227 (USDA FSIS), 2010. Guidance for Test Kit Manufacturers, Laboratories:  
228 Evaluating the Performance of Pathogen Test Kit Methods, incorporated by  
229 reference herein and available at  
230 <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX;>

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233 2. The Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory must submit alternative, scientifically  
234 valid testing methodologies to an independent third party that is qualified in the  
235 qualitative validation of testing methodologies. Such validation must include  
236 Proficiency Testing in which the Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory must  
237 successfully achieve two consecutive passes.  
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239 3. A Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory may only utilize an alternative,  
240 scientifically valid testing methodology upon the successful completion of  
241 subparagraphs (g)1. and (g)2., and the submission to the Department of documentary  
242 evidence that the requirements of this paragraph have been met. Proof and supporting  
243 documentation must be transmitted to the Office of Medical Marijuana Use at  
244 [OMMULicenseOperation@flhealth.gov](mailto:OMMULicenseOperation@flhealth.gov).  
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246 (2) Competency. An Analyst must demonstrate an Initial Display of Competency (IDOC) for a  
247 testing method prior to analyzing any Testing Sample using that method. An IDOC is comprised  
248 of one Method Blank and four Laboratory Fortified Blanks amended with the Analyte or Analytes  
249 for a specific test to a known concentration, and prepared and analyzed according to the same  
250 SOPs as testing samples. To pass, the calculated Residual Percent Deviation must be less than  
251 20%, the recovery of each analyte in each Laboratory Fortified Blank must be between 80% and  
252 120% of the amended concentration, and the Method Blank must not have any Analytes test above  
253 the LOD for that analysis. If an Analyst has not run a specific analysis within one calendar year,  
254 he or she must successfully complete an IDOC for this analysis prior to analyzing any Testing  
255 Samples using that testing method.  
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257 (3) Equipment. Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must use testing equipment that satisfies  
258 the requirements of all required accreditation pursuant to Rule 64-4.301. If any piece of equipment  
259 is not suitable for a specific method, it must not be engaged for that purpose. Testing equipment  
260 must be used and maintained according to the manufacturer's instructions and must be calibrated  
261 pursuant to the requirements of all accreditation under which it is operated. Certified Marijuana  
262 Testing Laboratories must retain records of all equipment repairs, maintenance, and Calibrations.  
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264 (4) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must authorize any contracted ISO/IEC 17043  
265 accredited Proficiency Test provider to submit all Proficiency Testing results to the Department  
266 and Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory concurrently. After the closing date, no modification  
267 to any aspect of the reported results, method/technology, measurement units, or the associated  
268 report information must be made unless it is necessary due to a documented error made by the  
269 accredited Proficiency Testing provider.  
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271 (5) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must manage, analyze, and report all Proficiency  
272 Testing samples in the same manner as customer samples, including adherence to the same sample  
273 tracking, sample preparation, analysis methods, Standard Operating Procedures, Calibrations,  
274 Quality Control, and Acceptance criteria used in testing customer samples.  
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276 (6) The sample Matrix of the Proficiency Testing sample must match, as closely as possible, the  
277 Matrix type designated in the SOPs being used to prepare and analyze the Proficiency Testing  
278 sample.  
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280 **Rule 64-4.309 Submission of Product for Testing**  
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282 (1) An Medical Marijuana Treatment Center must submit to the Certified Marijuana Testing  
283 Laboratory finished products in their final, sealed retail packaging. For sampling purposes, a  
284 number of individual Final Products that sum to the amount enumerated in 64-4.310 for each  
285 Testing Field.  
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287 (a) A Testing Sample from a Retail Batch that is intended for use by qualified patients must  
288 be chosen at random from within the entirety of the Retail Batch. For sampling purposes,  
289 the Medical Marijuana Treatment Center must use the Department approved seed to sale  
290 system to generate the random selection of individual Final Products from the entire Retail  
291 Batch to create a Testing Sample for submission to the Certified Marijuana Testing  
292 Laboratory for testing.  
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294 (b) The Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory must remove product from any packaging  
295 and homogenize all Increments into one Testing Sample. For Environmental Testing, three  
296 equal aliquots will be taken, one for primary analysis, one for analysis duplicate or backup  
297 for confirmation reanalysis, and one to remain untested and stored for 45 days. For  
298 Microbiological Testing, one 10g or 10ml aliquot will be analyzed for Total Combined  
299 Yeast and Mold. For the remainder of Microbiological Testing, two equal aliquots will be  
300 taken, one from primary analysis and one for reanalysis or storage for 45 days. Any portion  
301 of an aliquot not used must be stored for a minimum of 45 days. Untested sample may be  
302 used for and analysis necessary. The Certified Testing Laboratory may request additional  
303 product if necessary for the completion of any analysis.  
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305 (c) Final product for testing must be transported from the Medical Marijuana Treatment  
306 Center's Testing Facility and received by the Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory  
307 within the same day. Transport of samples from a Medical Marijuana Treatment Center to  
308 a Certified Marijuana Testing laboratory, or from one Certified Marijuana Testing  
309 Laboratory to another, must comply with 381.986 (8)(g)1.-6., F.S. Standard Operating  
310 Procedures for the transportation of marijuana must be agreed upon by the Medical  
311 Marijuana Treatment Center and Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory and followed at  
312 all times during the transportation of all product.  
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314 (d) A Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory may also test Useable Whole Flower  
315 Marijuana, Derivative Product, or Edibles from any point in cultivation or processing. The  
316 satisfactory analysis of these samples that meet the enumerated Acceptable Limits in Rule  
317 64-4.310 does not constitute a pass of any future Retail Batch created.  
318

319 (e) A Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory must begin preparation of samples for  
320 analysis within seven days from the sample departure date on the marijuana transportation  
321 manifest for Heavy Metals, Residual Solvents, Agricultural Agents, and Cannabinoid  
322 Profile analysis, and within 48 hours for Microbiological, Moisture, and Water Activity  
323 analysis.  
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325 (2) Rejection of Product for Testing. Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must reject  
326 marijuana for testing pursuant to this rule.

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328 (a) A Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory may reject, retain, and not analyze any  
329 sample that does not conform with the requirements of any agreement between Certified  
330 Marijuana Testing Laboratory and the providing Medical Marijuana Treatment Center, any  
331 Standard Operating Procedure or analytical method, or this rule.

332  
333 (b) A Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory must reject and not analyze any sample that:

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335 1. upon inspection, has any outer packaging that the laboratory deems to have been  
336 tampered with, contaminated, damaged, or otherwise unfit for its intended use;

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338 2. upon inspection, the laboratory deems Testing Samples to have been tampered with,  
339 or otherwise in a condition unsuitable for testing, or to be or have been at an improper  
340 temperature, or to have improper Moisture content;

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342 3. is not accompanied by a sample field log, chain of custody documentation, or a travel  
343 manifest;

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345 4. the laboratory deems to have a forged or altered sample field log, chain of custody  
346 documentation, or travel manifest;

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348 5. was not initially collected or acquired from a Medical Marijuana Treatment Center  
349 by a Sampler; or

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351 6. Standard Operating Procedures for random sampling and transportation of Testing  
352 Samples were not observed.

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354 (c) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must not remediate any rejected sample. A  
355 sample rejected pursuant to this rule must not be returned to the Medical Marijuana  
356 Treatment Center from which it was collected. Rejected samples must be maintained for  
357 30 days before being destroyed. Rejected samples must be destroyed by the Certified  
358 Marijuana Testing Laboratory. Samples must be removed from packaging prior to  
359 destruction. Useable Whole Flower Marijuana, solid Edibles, and other solid marijuana  
360 products rejected for testing must be ground and mixed with general waste maximum 50%  
361 marijuana by volume to render the waste unusable. Liquid marijuana products rejected for  
362 testing may be mixed with an appropriate solvent to a maximum 50% marijuana by volume  
363 to render the waste unusable and disposed of as hazardous waste. Certified Marijuana  
364 Testing Laboratories must log all instances of sample rejection and destruction along with  
365 the specific reason for the rejections.

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367 (d) Samples rejected pursuant to this rule are not considered to have failed any accepted  
368 limitation, and the originating Medical Marijuana Treatment Center may have the Retail  
369 Batch resampled.

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371 (e) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must provide notice to the originating Medical  
372 Marijuana Treatment Center and the Department (at  
373 [OMMULicensingoperation@flhealth.org](mailto:OMMULicensingoperation@flhealth.org)) within 24 hours of the rejection of a Testing  
374 Sample.

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376 (3) Transfer of Product Between Laboratories. A Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory may  
377 transfer Testing Samples to another Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory for testing purposes  
378 if the originating Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory cannot meet the obligations of all tests  
379 for the contracted Medical Marijuana Treatment Center. All such transfers must be performed in  
380 compliance with this rule.

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382 (a) When transferring Testing Samples, a marijuana testing laboratory must conform with  
383 the requirements of sections 381.986(8)(g)1.-6. F.S.

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385 (b) Prior to any analysis of any transferred Testing Sample, the receiving Certified  
386 Marijuana Testing Laboratory must determine whether to accept or reject any transferred  
387 Testing Sample in conformity with section (2) of this rule and any Standard Operation  
388 Procedure related to transfer Testing Sample acceptance or rejection.

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390 (c) Rejected Testing Samples must not be analyzed and must be destroyed in accordance  
391 with section (2). The receiving Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory must provide  
392 notice to the transferring Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory, the originating Medical  
393 Marijuana Treatment Center, and the Department at  
394 [OMMULicenseOperation@flhealth.gov](mailto:OMMULicenseOperation@flhealth.gov), within 24 hours of the rejection of any transferred  
395 Testing Sample.

396  
397 (d) Samples rejected pursuant to this rule are not considered to have failed any accepted  
398 limitation, and the originating Medical Marijuana Treatment Center may have the Retail  
399 Batch resampled.

400  
401 (e) A sample rejected pursuant to this rule must not be returned to the Medical Marijuana  
402 Treatment Center from which it was collected. Rejected Testing Samples must be  
403 maintained for at least 30 days before being destroyed pursuant to section (2). Certified  
404 Marijuana Testing Laboratories must log all instances of sample rejection and destruction  
405 along with the specific reason for the rejection.

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407 (f) Samples generated from a Processed Batch rejected pursuant to this rule are not  
408 considered to have failed any accepted limitation, and the originating Medical Marijuana  
409 Treatment Center may have the Processed Batch resampled and analyzed.

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411 **Rule 64-4.310 Sample Testing**

412 (1) All testing must occur within Florida. Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must test for  
413 the following: tetrahydrocannabinol potency, concentration of cannabidiol, and Contaminants  
414 Unsafe for Human Consumption. Contaminants Unsafe for Human Consumption include, but are  
415 not limited to, Microbiology, Mycotoxins, Residual Solvents, Heavy Metals, Agricultural Agents,  
416 Moisture, Water Activity, and Filth and Foreign Material. Notwithstanding the accepted  
417 limitations associated with paragraphs (2)(c)-(i), results must be reported accurately to three (3)  
418 significant figures as the concentration in milligrams per kilogram dry-weight for any test reported  
419 in parts per million (ppm) and to three (3) significant figures as the concentration in micrograms  
420 per kilogram dry-weight for any test reported in parts per billion (ppb). Any determined test result  
421 that exceeds an enumerated Acceptable Limits in this rule or Florida law, whichever is more  
422 restrictive, must constitute a failure. All failures must be confirmed using a portion of stored  
423 sample. Reanalysis of a failed analyte must occur after the first analysis which registered the initial  
424 failure. If reanalysis passes, the Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory must be reported to the  
425 Department the data for both analyses and the reason for the initial failure. The Department shall  
426 decide if the Retail Batch may be sold. If a Retail Batch of Useable Whole Flower Marijuana or  
427 Derivative Product meant for inhalation fails any reanalysis, the Retail Batch may be used to create  
428 Derivative Product not meant for inhalation. Any final Retail Product created from a failed Retail  
429 Batch of Useable Whole Flower Marijuana or Derivative Product meant for inhalation must be  
430 tested again as a new Retail Batch. Any determined test result that meets the requirements of an  
431 enumerated accepted limitation in this rule or Florida law, whichever is more restrictive, must  
432 constitute a pass. Accepted limitation failures and passes must be reported to both the Medical  
433 Marijuana Treatment Center which provided the sample and to the Office of Medical Marijuana,  
434 at [OMMULicenseOperation@flhealth.gov](mailto:OMMULicenseOperation@flhealth.gov), within 24 hours of the finding. For the purposes of this  
435 rule, a test result is considered verified when the Laboratory Director, or other authorized  
436 Employee, signs or authenticates the Certificate of Analysis containing those results.

437 (2) The following are minimum Acceptable Limits:

438 (a) Microbiology (bacteria, fungus,) accepted limitations, minimum Testing Sample size  
439 of 0.075% of the total Retail Batch weight or volume or a minimum of 9g or 9ml,  
440 whichever is larger:

- 441 1. Shiga toxin producing *Escherichia coli*, no detection within 1 gram.
- 442 2. Any *Salmonella* species, no detection within 1 gram.
- 443 3. *Aspergillus niger*, *Aspergillus fumigatus*, *Aspergillus flavus*, *Aspergillus terreus*, no  
444 detection within 1 gram.
- 445 4. Total Aerobic microbial count, less than 100 CFU within 1 gram in Non-Oral  
446 Transmucosal Products.
- 447 5. *Staphylococcus aureus*, no detection within 1 gram in Non-Oral Transmucosal  
448 Products.
- 449 6. *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, within 1 gram in Non-Oral Transmucosal Products.
- 450 7. Bile tolerant gram-negative bacteria, within 1 gram in Non-Oral Transmucosal  
451 Products.

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453 (b) Total Combined Yeast and Mold count, Acceptable Limits, minimum Testing Sample  
454 size of 0.075% of the total Retail Batch weight or volume, or a minimum of 10g or 10ml,  
455 whichever is larger:

- 456 1. Less than 10,000 CFU per gram in Useable Whole Flower, Derivative Products, and  
457 Edibles.
- 458 2. Less than 10 CFU per gram in Non-Oral Transmucosal Products.

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461 (c) The aggregate of aflatoxins, as enumerated in this subparagraph, 20 parts per billion or  
462 less, minimum Testing Sample size of 0.05% of the total Retail Batch weight or volume or  
463 a minimum of 3g or 3ml, whichever is larger.

- 464 1. B1 (CAS No. 1162-65-8);
- 465 2. B2 (CAS No. 7220-81-7);
- 466 3. G1 (CAS No. 1165-39-5);
- 467 4. G2 (CAS No. 7241-98-7); and
- 468 5. Ochratoxin A (CAS No. 303-47-9), 20 parts per billion or less.

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470 (d) Residual Solvents, Acceptable Limits for all Derivative Products and Edibles, minimum  
471 Testing Sample size of 0.05% of the total Retail Batch weight or volume or a minimum of  
472 3g or 3ml, whichever is larger:

- 473 1. Acetone (CAS No. 67-64-1), 750 parts per million or less.
- 474 2. Acetonitrile (CAS No. 75-05-8), 60 parts per million or less.
- 475 3. Benzene (CAS No. 71-43-3), one (1) part per million or less.
- 476 4. Butane (CAS No. 106-97-8), 2,000 parts per million or less.
- 477 5. Chloroform (CAS No. 67-66-3), two (2) parts per million or less.
- 478 6. 1, 2- dichloroethane (CAS No. 107-06-2), two (2) parts per million or less;
- 479 7. 1, 1- dichloroethene (CAS No. 75-35-4), eight (8) parts per million or less;
- 480 8. Ethanol (CAS No. 64-17-5), 5,000 parts per million or less.
  - 481 a. Ethanol based products are exempt from accepted limitations for ethanol.
- 482 9. Ethyl acetate (CAS No. 141-78-6), 400 parts per million or less.
- 483 10. Ethyl ether (CAS No. 60-29-7), 500 parts per million or less.
- 484 11. Ethylene oxide (CAS No. 75-21-8), five (5) parts per million or less;
- 485 12. Heptane (CAS No. 142-82-5), 500 parts per million or less.
- 486 13. Hexane (CAS No. 110-54-3), 250 parts per million or less.
- 487 14. Isopropyl alcohol (CAS No. 67-63-0), 500 parts per million or less.
- 488 15. Methanol (CAS No. 67-56-1), 250 parts per million or less.
- 489 16. Methylene chloride (CAS No. 75-09-2), 125 parts per million or less.
- 490 17. Pentane (CAS No. 109-66-0), 750 parts per million or less.
- 491 18. Propane (CAS No. 74-98-6), 2,100 parts per million or less.
- 492 19. Trichloroethylene (CAS No. 79-01-6), 25 parts per million or less.
- 493 20. Toluene (CAS No. 108-88-3), 150 parts per million or less.
- 494 21. Total xylenes (m, p, o-xylenes) (CAS No. 1330-20-7), 150 parts per million or less.
- 495 22. Any other solvent not allowed pursuant to Department rule, none detected.

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498 (f) Heavy Metals, Acceptable Limits for Useable Whole Flower Marijuana or Derivative  
499 Product meant for inhalation, minimum Testing Sample size of 0.05% of the total Retail  
500 Batch weight or volume or a minimum of 3g or 3ml, whichever is larger;

- 501 1. Lead (CAS No. 7439-92-1), less than 500 parts per billion.
- 502 2. Arsenic (CAS No. 7440-38-2), less than 200 parts per billion.
- 503 3. Cadmium (CAS No. 7440-43-9), less than 200 parts per billion.
- 504 4. Mercury (CAS No. 7439-97-6), less than 100 parts per billion.

506 (g) Heavy Metals, Acceptable Limits for Useable Whole Flower Marijuana, Derivative  
507 Product, or Edible not meant for inhalation, minimum Testing Sample size of 0.05% of the  
508 total Retail Batch weight or volume or a minimum of 3g or 3ml, whichever is larger;

- 509 1. Lead (CAS No. 7439-92-1), less than 500 parts per billion.
- 510 2. Arsenic (CAS No. 7440-38-2), less than 1500 parts per billion.
- 511 3. Cadmium (CAS No. 7440-43-9), less than 500 parts per billion.
- 512 4. Mercury (CAS No. 7439-97-6), less than 3000 parts per billion.

514 (h) Agricultural Agents, Acceptable Limits for Useable Whole Flower Marijuana,  
515 Derivative Product, or Edible meant for inhalation, minimum Testing Sample size of 0.05%  
516 of the total Retail Batch weight or volume or a minimum of 3g or 3ml, whichever is larger;

- 517 1. Abamectin (CAS No.71751-41-2), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 518 2. Acephate (CAS No.30560-19-1), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 519 3. Acequinocyl (CAS No.57960-19-7), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 520 4. Acetamiprid (CAS No.135410-20-7), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 521 5. Aldicarb (CAS No.116-06-3), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 522 6. Azoxystrobin (CAS No.131860-33-8), 10 parts per billion or less.
- 523 7. Bifenazate (CAS No.149877-41-8), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 524 8. Bifenthrin (CAS No. 82657-04-3), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 525 9. Boscalid (CAS No. 188425-85-6), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 526 10. Captan (CAS No. 133-06-2), 700 parts per billion or less.
- 527 11. Carbaryl (CAS No. 63-25-2), 500 parts per billion or less.
- 528 12. Carbofuran (CAS No. 1563-66-2), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 529 13. Chlorantraniliprole (CAS No. 500008-45-7), 1000 parts per billion or less.
- 530 14. Chlordane (CAS No. 57-74-9), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 531 15. Chlorfenapyr (CAS No.122453-73-0), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 532 16. Chlormequat chloride (CAS No. 000-81-5), 1000 parts per billion or less.
- 533 17. Chlorpyrifos (CAS No.2921-88-2), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 534 18. Clofentezine (CAS No.74115-24-5), 200 parts per billion or less.
- 535 19. Coumaphos (CAS No.56-72-4), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 536 20. Cyfluthrin (CAS No.68359-37-5), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 537 21. Cypermethrin (CAS No.52315-07-8), 500 parts per billion or less.
- 538 22. Daminozide (CAS No.1596-84-5), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 539 23. Diazinon (CAS No.333-41-5), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 540 24. Dichlorvos (CAS No.62-73-7), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 541 25. Dimethoate (CAS No.60-51-5), 100 parts per billion or less.
- 542 26. Dimethomorph (CAS No.110488-70-5), 200 parts per billion or less.
- 543 27. Ethoprophos (CAS No.13194-48-4), 100 parts per billion or less.

- 544 28. Etofenprox (CAS No.80844-07-1), 100 parts per billion or less.  
545 29. Etoazole (CAS No.153233-91-1), 100 parts per billion or less.  
546 30. Fenhexamid (CAS No.126833-17-8), 100 parts per billion or less.  
547 31. Fenoxycarb (CAS No.72440-01-8), 100 parts per billion or less.  
548 32. Fenpyroximate (CAS No.134098-61-6), 100 parts per billion or less.  
549 33. Fipronil (CAS No.120068-37-3), 100 parts per billion or less.  
550 34. Flonicamid (CAS No.158062-67-0), 100 parts per billion or less.  
551 35. Fludioxonil (CAS No.131341-86-1), 100 parts per billion or less.  
552 36. Hexythiazox (CAS No.78587-05-0), 100 parts per billion or less.  
553 37. Imazalil (CAS No.35554-44-0), 100 parts per billion or less.  
554 38. Imidacloprid (CAS No.138261-41-3), 400 parts per billion or less.  
555 39. Kresoxim-methyl (CAS No.143390-89-0), 100 parts per billion or less.  
556 40. Malathion (CAS No.121-75-5), 200 parts per billion or less.  
557 41. Metalaxyl (CAS No.57837-19-1), 20 parts per billion or less.  
558 42. Methiocarb (CAS No.2032-65-7), 50 parts per billion or less.  
559 43. Methomyl (CAS No.16752-77-5), 100 parts per billion or less.  
560 44. Methyl parathion (CAS No.289-00-0), 100 parts per billion or less.  
561 45. Mevinphos (CAS No.7786-34-7), 100 parts per billion or less.  
562 46. Myclobutanil (CAS No.88671-89-0), 100 parts per billion or less.  
563 47. Naled (CAS No.300-76-5), 250 parts per billion or less.  
564 48. Oxamyl (CAS No.23135-22-0), 500 parts per billion or less.  
565 49. Paclobutrazol (CAS No.76738-62-0), 100 parts per billion or less.  
566 50. Pentachloronitrobenzene (CAS No.82-68-8), 150 parts per billion or less.  
567 51. Permethrin (CAS No.52645-53-1), 100 parts per billion or less.  
568 52. Phosmet (CAS No.732-11-6), 100 parts per billion or less.  
569 53. Piperonyl butoxide (CAS No.51-03-6), 3000 parts per billion or less.  
570 54. Prallethrin (CAS No.23031-36-9), 100 parts per billion or less.  
571 55. Propiconazole (CAS No.60207-90-1), 100 parts per billion or less.  
572 56. Propoxur (CAS No.144-26-1), 100 parts per billion or less.  
573 57. Pyrethrins (CAS No.8003-34-7), 500 parts per billion or less.  
574 58. Pyridaben (CAS No.96489-71-3), 200 parts per billion or less.  
575 59. Spinetoram (CAS No.187166-15-0), 200 parts per billion or less.  
576 60. Spinosad A and D (CAS No.168316-95-8, 131929-60-7), 100 parts per billion or  
577 less.  
578 61. Spiromesifen (CAS No.283594-90-1), 100 parts per billion or less.  
579 62. Spirotetramat (CAS No.203313-25-1), 100 parts per billion or less.  
580 63. Spiroxamine (CAS No.118134-30-8), 100 parts per billion or less.  
581 64. Tebuconazole (CAS No.107534-96-3), 100 parts per billion or less.  
582 65. Thiacloprid (CAS No.111988-49-9), 100 parts per billion or less.  
583 66. Thiamethoxam (CAS No.153719-23-4), 500 parts per billion or less.  
584 67. Trifloxystrobin (CAS No.141517-21-7), 100 parts per billion or less.

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587 Derivative Product, or Edible not meant for inhalation, minimum Testing Sample size of  
588 0.05% of the total Retail Batch weight or volume or a minimum of 3g or 3ml, whichever  
589 is larger;

- 590 1. Abamectin (CAS No.71751-41-2), 300 parts per billion or less.  
591 2. Acephate (CAS No.30560-19-1), 3000 parts per billion or less.  
592 3. Acequinocyl (CAS No.57960-19-7), 2000 parts per billion or less.  
593 4. Acetamiprid (CAS No.135410-20-7), 3000 parts per billion or less.  
594 5. Aldicarb (CAS No.116-06-3), 100 parts per billion or less.  
595 6. Azoxystrobin (CAS No.131860-33-8), 3000 parts per billion or less.  
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659 (j) Total Contaminant Load, Acceptable Limits for:

- 660 1. Useable Whole Flower and Derivative Product meant for inhalation, five (5) parts  
661 per million or less.  
662 2. Useable Whole Flower, Derivative Product, and Edible not meant for inhalation, 30  
663 parts per million or less.

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665 (k) A Testing Sample that contains levels of any Microbiological, Residual Solvent, Heavy  
666 Metal, or Agricultural Agent, not otherwise enumerated in this rule or by Florida law, that  
667 could be toxic if consumed or applied, fails Acceptable Limits testing.  
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669 (l) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must analyze a minimum Testing Sample size  
670 of 0.05% of the total Retail Batch weight or volume or a minimum of 3g or 3ml, whichever  
671 is larger of Useable Whole Flower Marijuana for water-activity levels according to the  
672 limitations listed below. Any Useable Whole Flower Marijuana, Derivative Product, or  
673 Edible which meets its respective criteria shall pass water-activity testing. Results must be  
674 reported accurately to two (2) significant figures.

- 675 1. Useable Whole Flower Marijuana, Water Activity 0.65 Aw or less.  
676 2. Solid and semi-solid Derivative Product or Edible, Water Activity of 0.85 Aw or less,  
677 with the exception of water-based products which must be not be held to Water Activity  
678 standards.

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680 (m) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must analyze a minimum Testing Sample  
681 size of 0.05% of the total Retail Batch weight or volume or a minimum of 3g or 3ml,



682 whichever is larger of Useable Whole Flower Marijuana for Moisture content analysis.  
683 Useable Whole Flower Marijuana which has a Moisture content below 15.0% must pass  
684 Moisture-content testing. Results must be reported to the nearest tenth of a percent.  
685

686 (n) Filth and Foreign Materials. Each individual product, upon being removed from final  
687 packaging, must be inspected for Filth and Foreign Materials before being used to create a  
688 Testing Sample. Accepted limitations for Useable Whole Flower Marijuana, Derivative  
689 Product, or Edibles:

- 690 1. Foreign material (to include mold, mildew, fungus, hair, insects, packaging  
691 contaminants, manufacturing waste, and other similar marijuana cultivation and  
692 processing by-products), not otherwise contemplated by this subsection, not more than  
693 an average of 1% by weight, or cover more than 10% of the total sample area.
- 694 2. Any feces, not more than 0.5 mg per kilogram.  
695

696 (3) Potency Testing. Potency Testing for Useable Whole Flower Marijuana, Derivative Product,  
697 and Edibles must include the amount, in milligrams, of total active THC and total active CBD in  
698 the Final Product. The total amount of active THC and active CBD in in non-inhalation Derivative  
699 Products and Edibles must be reported in milligrams, accurately to three (3) significant figures, as  
700 the concentration of THC and CBD in milligrams per gram x the total weight of the product. For  
701 inhalation Derivative Products and Useable Whole Flower Marijuana, total active THC in  
702 milligrams must be calculated as the concentration of THC + (concentration of THCA x 0.877) in  
703 milligrams per gram x the total weight of the product. For inhalation Derivative Products and  
704 Useable Whole Flower, total active CBD in milligrams must be calculated as the concentration of  
705 CBD + (concentration of CBDA x 0.877) in milligrams per gram x the total weight of the product.  
706 Prior to Potency Testing, Useable Whole Flower must be dried to 12% ( $\pm 0.5\%$ ) Moisture content.  
707 Findings must be reported to both the Medical Marijuana Treatment Center which provided the  
708 sample and to the Office of Medical Marijuana Use, at [OMMULicenseOperation@flhealth.gov](mailto:OMMULicenseOperation@flhealth.gov),  
709 within 24 hours of the finding.  
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711 (4) Cannabidiol Profile. The Cannabinoid Profile results must be reported in percentage, accurate  
712 to 3 significant figures, as the concentration in milligrams per gram of each individual cannabinoid  
713 / the total concentration of all cannabinoids in milligrams per gram x 100. Testing Sample size of  
714 0.05% of the total Retail Batch weight or volume or a minimum of 3g or 3ml, whichever is larger.  
715 The following cannabinoids must be tested for:  
716

- 717 (a) d9-Tetrahydrocannabinoid (d9-THC), CAS No. 1972-08-3.
- 718 (b) d8-Tetrahydrocannabinoid (d8-THC), CAS No. 5957-75-5.
- 719 (c) d9-Tetrahydrocannabinolic acid (THCA), CAS No. 23978-85-0.
- 720 (d) Tetrahydrocannabivarin (THCV), CAS No. 31262-37-0.
- 721 (e) Cannabidiol (CBD), CAS No. 13956-29-1.
- 722 (f) Cannabidiolic acid (CBDA), CAS No. 1244-58-2.
- 723 (g) Cannabidivarin (CBDV), CAS No. 24274-48-4.
- 724 (h) Cannabigerol (CBG), CAS No. 25654-31-3.
- 725 (i) Cannabigerolic acid (CBGA), CAS No. 25555-57-1.
- 726 (j) Cannabinol (CBN), CAS No. 521-35-7.
- 727 (k) Cannabichromene (CBC), CAS No. 20675-51-8.

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729 (5) The concentration of total active THC and total active CBD printed on the final retail packaging  
730 must be within 15% of the tested concentration. The percentage of the individual cannabinoids  
731 printed on the final retail packaging must  $\pm 0.5\%$  of the tested value. If the concentration of total  
732 active THC or total active CBD printed on the final retail packaging varies by more than 15% from  
733 the tested concentration, the packaging must be corrected to display the accurate concentration  
734 prior to being sold to qualified patients. If the percentage of an individual cannabinoid printed on  
735 the final retail packaging varies by more than 0.1% from the tested value, the packaging must be  
736 corrected to displace the accurate concentration prior to being sold to qualified patients.

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738 (6) Testing of Edibles. When testing Edibles, Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must  
739 perform a homogeneity analysis for the cannabinoids enumerated in section (4). Homogeneity tests  
740 require at least 10 Increments from one Final Product per 100 individual items per Retail Batch,  
741 rounding up to each next 100 (i.e. 101 items would require two individual Final Products to  
742 undergo homogeneity testing). The Relative Standard Deviation of the cannabinoid content  
743 between the 10 Increments in each Final Product tested must be less than or equal to 15% to  
744 constitute a pass. The Relative Standard Deviation is the standard deviation expressed as a  
745 percentage of the mean recovery. It is the coefficient of variation multiplied by 100, calculated as  
746 (the standard deviation  $\div$  mean recovery)  $\times$  100. If any results are less than the Limit of  
747 Quantitation, the value of the Limit of Quantitation must be used to calculate the relative standard  
748 deviation. A Processed Batch is homogenous if the Relative Standard Deviation, with no outliers  
749 per Grubb's outlier test with a significance level of 0.05, is less than or equal to 15%, and the  
750 potency variance is no greater than 15%. Edibles that do not meet these criteria fail homogeneity  
751 testing.

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753 (7) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must report any Testing Sample that is found to  
754 contain a level of any contaminant not listed in this rule that could be injurious to human health if  
755 consumed or otherwise introduced to the human body. The Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory  
756 must report such findings to the originating Medical Marijuana Treatment Center and the  
757 Department at [OMMULicenseOperation@flhealth.gov](mailto:OMMULicenseOperation@flhealth.gov) within 24 hours of the finding. Samples  
758 for research and development purposes only are not required to be reported to the Department.

759  
760 (a) Any Certificate of Analysis generated by research and development samples must be  
761 clearly labeled "R&D ONLY NOT FOR RETAIL."

762 (b) Any Certificate of Analysis generated by the analysis of non-marijuana products (water,  
763 growth medium, nutrients, product ingredient, product packaging) must accurately  
764 describe the material tested.

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766 (8) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must maintain at least one untested portion of each  
767 Testing Sample, whether having passed or failed any accepted limitation analysis. These Testing  
768 Samples must be securely stored for a minimum of 90 days before being destroyed. Every Testing  
769 Sample that is destroyed must be logged by the Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory.

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771 **Rule 64-4.311 Quality Control Samples**

772  
773 (1) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must use Quality Control samples in each analysis,  
774 where applicable. Quality Control samples must be analyzed in the same manner as test samples  
775 for validation purposes.

776  
777 (a) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must prepare at least one Method Blank  
778 sample per Laboratory Batch. All Method Blank samples must be prepared and analyzed  
779 in the same manner as Testing Samples. Method Blanks that contain analytes of interest  
780 above the Limit of Detection must be reanalyzed. If upon reanalysis the Method Blank is  
781 again above the Limit of Detection the Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory must  
782 determine and correct the source of the contamination, repeat the preparation of the  
783 Laboratory Batch, and reanalyze the Testing Samples. If Method Blank results continue to  
784 read above the Limit of Detection, the Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory must  
785 discontinue conducting the analysis until such time it is able to test at or below the Limit  
786 of Detection.

787  
788 (b) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must prepare and analyze Laboratory  
789 Fortified Blanks for each Laboratory Batch. The percent of recovery for any analyte within  
790 each Laboratory Fortified Blank, calculated as the quantitative sample result ÷ expected  
791 result × 100, must be recorded. The Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory must  
792 determine acceptable ranges of recovery in Laboratory Fortified Blanks which must be  
793 approved within the scope of accreditation to ISO 17025.

794  
795 (c) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must prepare and analyze Matrix Spike  
796 Samples for each Laboratory Batch. The percent of recovery for any analyte within each  
797 Matrix Spike Sample, calculated as the quantitative sample result ÷ expected result × 100,  
798 must be recorded. The Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory must determine acceptable  
799 ranges of recovery in Matrix Spike Samples which must be approved within the scope of  
800 accreditation to ISO 17025.

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802 (d) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must run duplicate Laboratory Fortified  
803 Blanks and Matrix Spike Sample and must calculate their relative percent differences  
804 pursuant to this subsection. Relative percent difference is calculated as (quantitative sample  
805 result A – quantitative sample result B) ÷ ((quantitative sample result A + quantitative  
806 sample result B) ÷ 2) × 100. The relative percent difference between duplicates must be as  
807 follows;

- 808 1. Mycotoxins: 15% or less;
- 809 2. Residual Solvents: 20% or less;
- 810 3. Heavy Metals: 15% or less;
- 811 4. Agricultural Agents: 15% or less; and
- 812 5. Cannabinoids: 10% or less.

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814 (e) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories shall run, where applicable, an Initial  
815 Calibration Verification (ICV) after the Calibration Curve, and Continuing Calibration  
816 Verification (CCV) after the ICV and once every 12 hours thereafter in the analysis run.

817 The Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory shall calculate the RPD between the ICV and  
818 the corresponding Calibration Curve level, and the CCV and the corresponding  
819 Calibration Curve level. RPD is calculated as (quantitative sample result A – quantitative  
820 sample result B) ÷ ((quantitative sample result A + quantitative sample result B) ÷ 2) ×  
821 100. The RPD between the Calibration Curve level and corresponding CCV or ICV must  
822 be no more than 20%.

823 1. If the CCV results exceeds more than 20% above the corresponding Calibration  
824 Curve level concentration, any analyte result below the LOD may be reported.

825 Otherwise the samples affected by the failed CCV shall be reanalyzed after a new  
826 Calibration Curve has been established and accepted.

827 2. If the CCV result exceeds more than 20% below the corresponding Calibration  
828 Curve level concentration, any analyte result above the Acceptable Limits may be  
829 reported. Otherwise the samples affected by the failed CCV shall be reanalyzed.

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831 (f) Methods containing multiple Analytes may have the following number of Analytes in  
832 a Quality Control sample fall outside the accepted range to a maximum of 30%:

833 1. Methods containing fewer than 11 analytes are allowed no measurements outside  
834 the accepted range.

835 2. Methods containing 11 to 30 analytes are permitted one (1) Quality Control sample  
836 outside the accepted range.

837 3. Methods containing 31 to 50 analytes are permitted two (2) Quality Control  
838 samples outside the accepted range.

839 4. Methods containing 51 to 70 analytes are permitted three (3) Quality Control  
840 samples outside the accepted range.

841 5. Methods containing 71 or more analytes are permitted four (4) Quality Control  
842 samples outside the accepted range.

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844 (g) An analysis will be deemed satisfactory when all Quality Control sample  
845 measurements meet the accepted criteria. If any Quality Control sample measurements  
846 fall outside the accepted criteria, the Laboratory Batch must be reanalyzed. If after  
847 reanalysis the same Quality Control sample falls outside the accepted criteria, the  
848 Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory must repeat the preparation of the Analytical  
849 Batch and reanalyze as a new Laboratory Batch. If the Quality Control sample continues  
850 to fall outside the accepted criteria, the Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory must  
851 discontinue conducting the analysis until the Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory is  
852 able to correct the cause of the unsatisfactory Quality Control sample measurement.

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854 (h) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must generate Quality Control sample reports  
855 that contain the date of the analysis, the parameters of the analysis, the Matrix or Matrixes  
856 used, the Analytes tested for, the instrument of analysis, and measurements.

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858 **Rule 64-4.312 Calibration Standards.**

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860 (1) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must prepare Calibration Standards pursuant to and  
861 in compliance with this rule. Calibration Standards must be prepared by diluting a Standard  
862 Solution to produce working standards to be used in the Calibration of instruments, the quantitation  
863 of analysis samples, and for use in Laboratory Fortified Blanks and Matrix Spike Samples.  
864 Standard solutions must either be: obtained from an independent body accredited as ISO/IEC  
865 17034:2017 compliant, or has a current, valid ISO/IEC 17034:2005 by an accreditation body that  
866 is a signatory for Certified Reference Material producer (RMP) to mutual recognition arrangement  
867 (MRA) recognized through ILAC; or created by the Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory and  
868 found to be ISO/IEC 17034:2017 compliant by an independent accreditation body that is a  
869 signatory for RMP to MRA recognized through ILAC.

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871 (a) The Limit of Detection (LOD) must be calculated, where applicable, in one of the  
872 following ways:

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874 1. the signal-to-noise ratio, as calculated by comparing the measured signals of known  
875 analyte concentrations with those within the Method Blanks to establish the minimum  
876 concentration an analyte can be consistently detected. Acceptable ratios must be within  
877 the range of 3:1 to 2:1;

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879 2. based on the standard deviation of the instrument's response and the slope of the  
880 Calibration Curve, calculated as  $3.3 \times$  the standard deviation of the response  $\div$  the slope  
881 of the Calibration Curve. The standard deviation of the response must be determined  
882 by comparing seven Method Blank samples. The Limit of Detection for chemical  
883 methods must be less than 1/10 of the action level for each analyte; or

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885 3. any other method published by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration or the U.S.  
886 Environmental Protection Agency. A Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory utilizing  
887 a method pursuant to this paragraph must provide the method to the Office of Medical  
888 Marijuana Use at [OMMULicenseOperation@flhealth.gov](mailto:OMMULicenseOperation@flhealth.gov).

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890 (b) The Limit of Quantification (LOQ) must be calculated, where applicable, in one of the  
891 following ways:

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893 1. the signal-to-noise ratio, as calculated by comparing the measured signals of know  
894 analyte concentrations with those of Method Blanks to establish the minimum  
895 concentration an analyte can be consistently detected. The minimum acceptable ratio  
896 is 10:1;

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898 2. based on the standard deviation of the instrument's response and the slope of the  
899 Calibration Curve, calculated as  $10 \times$  the standard deviation of the response  $\div$  the slope  
900 of the Calibration Curve. Standard deviation of the response is determined by  
901 comparing seven Method Blank samples. The LOQ for chemical methods must be, at  
902 a maximum,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the analyte limit; or

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3. any other method published by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration or the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. A Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory utilizing a method pursuant to this paragraph must provide the method to the Office of Medical Marijuana Use at [OMMULicenseOperation@flhealth.gov](mailto:OMMULicenseOperation@flhealth.gov).

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909 **Rule 64-4.313 Certificate of Analysis**

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911 (1) Upon the completion of any analysis, a Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory must generate  
912 a Certificate of Analysis for the Medical Marijuana Treatment Center containing the results from  
913 each Final Product tested, containing all the information required in paragraph (a) below, and all  
914 the information required in paragraphs (b) and/or (c) below depending on the nature of the analysis.  
915 Additional information, analysis, or graphics not expressly required by paragraphs (a) through (c)  
916 may be included on any report contemplated by this rule.

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918 (a) Certificates of Analysis for Environmental, Microbiological, and Cannabinoid Profile  
919 testing must contain:

- 920 1. the name of the Medical Marijuana Treatment Center that provided the sample;  
921 2. the cultivation facility or facilities where the marijuana was cultivated;  
922 3. the processing facility or facilities where the marijuana was processed;  
923 4. the strain or strains making up the sample;  
924 a. if the Retail Batch is comprised of more than two strains, the Testing Sample can  
925 be referred to as “mixed strain.”  
926 5. the batch number and date the Retail Batch was created;  
927 6. the batch number and date any Laboratory Batch was created;  
928 7. the date sample preparation occurred;  
929 8. the total weight or volume of the Final Product received for testing;  
930 9. the internal laboratory identification number of any person who performed the  
931 sample preparation;  
932 10. the date and time of the sample’s preparation;  
933 11. the title of the standard operation procedure used to prepare the sample;  
934 12. the date and time sample analysis occurred; and  
935 13. the internal laboratory identification number of any person who performed the  
936 sample analysis.

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938 (b) Certificates of Analysis for Environmental and Cannabinoid Profile testing must  
939 contain:

- 940 1. the title of the standard operation procedure used in the sample analysis;  
941 2. the type of instrument used to analyze the sample;  
942 3. the final volume of the sample used in the analysis;  
943 4. the sample Matrix;  
944 5. the analytes measured in the test;  
945 6. the numerical concentration for each analyte measured in the Testing Sample and its  
946 Limit of Detection;  
947 7. the dilution factor of each analyte;  
948 8. the percentage of each cannabinoid enumerated in Rule 64-4.310, and the total  
949 percentage of these cannabinoids within the sample; and  
950 9. whether the sample has passed or failed in relation to accepted limits set by rule 64-  
951 4.310 for individual analytes.

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953 (c) Certificates of Analysis for Microbiological Testing must contain:

- 954 1. presence or absence of microbes in 1 gram;

- 955 2. concentration of aflatoxins;  
956 3. concentration of ochratoxin;  
957 4. the sample Matrix;  
958 5. the analytes measured in the test;  
959 6. the limit for the analysis conducted; and  
960 7. whether the sample passed or failed in relation to the Acceptable Limits for bacteria,  
961 fungus, yeast, and Mycotoxins.

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963 (d) Certificates of Analysis generated by the Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory must  
964 be delivered electronically within 30 days of the sample departure date noted on the  
965 marijuana transportation manifest.

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968 (2) Data Packages. Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must create and maintain Data  
969 Packages for every analyzed Laboratory Batch. Data packages must contain:

- 970 (a) the name and address of the laboratory that performed the testing;  
971 (b) the name and address of the facility where the marijuana was cultivated;  
972 (c) the name and address of the facility where the marijuana was processed;  
973 (d) internal laboratory identification numbers of all Employees that performed any sample  
974 preparation, the sample analysis, and reviewed and approved the collected data;  
975 (e) Laboratory Batch Quality Control results;  
976 (f) raw data for each sample;  
977 (g) instrument raw data, if any;  
978 (h) instrument test method with parameters;  
979 (i) instrument tune reports, where applicable;  
980 (j) all instrument Calibration and/or tune data;  
981 (k) Internal Standard report;  
982 (l) Initial Calibration Certification Report;  
983 (m) Continuing Calibration Verification Report;  
984 (n) sample preparation worksheets;  
985 (o) laboratory workbook sheets relevant to the analysis run;  
986 (p) Analytical Batch sample sequence;  
987 (q) all travel manifest documents;  
988 (r) chain of custody documentation; and  
989 (s) a copy of any Certificate of Analysis required by section (1)

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991 (3) Prior to the dissemination of any documentation contemplated by sections (1) and (2) to the  
992 Department or a Medical Marijuana Testing Laboratory, the Certified Marijuana Testing  
993 Laboratory's Laboratory Director, or his designee, must:

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995 (a) review the quantitative analytical results for technical correctness and completeness;  
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997 (b) verify that the results of each analysis are accurately reported, and that the results can  
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1000 (c) verify approval of the results by signing and dating the Data Package.



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(4) Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratories must maintain Data Packages for seven (7) years from the date created. Travel manifests, Initial Display of Competency documentation, Medical Marijuana Treatment Center audit reports, and Medical Marijuana Treatment Center onsite inspection reports must be retained for a minimum of three (3) years from the date created. Quality control reports and Proficiency Testing results must be retained for a minimum of two (2) years from the date of receipt by the marijuana testing laboratory. Video surveillance recordings must be maintained for a minimum of 90 days or longer upon the request of a law enforcement agency or as ordered by any court of competent jurisdiction.

(5) Records. Upon request by the Department, a Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory must provide the Department copies of the following within three business days of the Department's request:

- (a) proof of accreditation pursuant to Rule 64-4.301, Certified Marijuana Testing Laboratory Certification and Renewal;
- (b) Standard Operation Procedures;
- (c) analytical methods;
- (d) equipment logs;
- (e) raw analytical data;
- (f) Initial Display of Competency documentation;
- (g) Medical Marijuana Treatment Center travel manifests;
- (h) marijuana testing laboratory travel manifests;
- (i) chain of custody documentation;
- (j) sample rejection logs;
- (k) Quality Assurance reports;
- (l) Proficiency Testing results;
- (m) Quality Assurance Manual;
- (n) personnel qualification, training, and competency documentation;
- (o) purchasing and supply records;
- (p) method verification and validation records;
- (q) Quality Assurance and Quality Control records;
- (r) equipment service records;
- (s) non-conforming work and corrective action records;
- (t) internal and external audit records;
- (u) Testing Facility and Secure Storage area security records;
- (v) Data Packages;
- (w) data backup records;
- (x) laboratory data reports, data review, and data approval records;
- (y) any report or Certificate of Analysis created for a Medical Marijuana Treatment Center;
- (z) raw analytical testing data:
  - (aa) traceability records;
  - (bb) standards records;
  - (cc) Calibration records;
  - (dd) extraction logs, Certified Reference Materials records;
  - (ee) Analyst laboratory notebooks and logbooks;

- 1047 (ff) sample analysis reports;
- 1048 (gg) laboratory contamination records;
- 1049 (hh) laboratory cleaning records;
- 1050 (ii) safety and chemical-hygiene records;
- 1051 (jj) any other generated report related to the testing of marijuana; and
- 1052 (kk) any other generated report related to the audit or onsite inspection of Medical
- 1053 Marijuana Treatment Centers, to include any materials used in the creation of such report.

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