



About Application Extension Requests

If you are getting close to the deadline to complete your conditional-to-annual license conversion or the deadline to become operational, and you fall into one of the following categories you may qualify for an extension:

- 2019 RFA awardees
- Conditional License Awardees
- Annual License Awardees

If you meet the criteria above and wish to have your deadline extended, submit an extension request to the NJ-CRC's Permitting and Licensing Committee. Applicants/Awardees should make extension requests by completing an Extension Request Application and emailing it with supporting documents to New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission at crc.licensing@crc.nj.gov at least 15 days before the applicable deadline.

When considering whether to grant an extension, the Committee will consider any relevant evidence, fact, or reason that constitutes good cause. Among other things, the Commission may consider the following factors when reviewing an extension request:

- ☐ whether the need for an extension is in the requestor's control;
- ☐ evidence that the requestor is making progress towards becoming operational or compliant with a regulatory requirement;
- ☐ whether an extension or waiver would support fair and equitable access to medicinal cannabis or personal-use cannabis;
- ☐ the existence of systemic or widespread conditions that are negatively impacting multiple regulated entities from meeting a particular regulatory deadline;
- ☐ evidence that an extension would unfairly prevent other medical or personal-use cannabis businesses from becoming operational; and
- ☐ whether the requestor has engaged in anticompetitive practices.

When submitting your request, remember to include the reasons why you need an extension. The Committee may ask for additional information to help make a determination on your request. It will be your responsibility to ensure all the requested information is submitted prior to the applicable deadline. The Committee cannot extend a license if it has already expired and cannot extend a regulatory deadline once it has passed.

The Committee **will not** consider the following when reviewing extension requests:

- Letters of recommendation or support for the cannabis business, letters of opposition, or extension requests provided by any third party (including municipal officials);
- The business's promises of future actions if an extension is granted, unless accompanied by evidence that the business is making progress towards meeting the required deadline;

Submission of an extension request **does not** guarantee that you will be granted an extension. Cannabis businesses are encouraged to avoid last-minute requests by submitting their extension request as soon as the need for an extension becomes apparent.

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