

Cannabis Store separation distances are located in the Land Use Bylaw as rules and in the Cannabis Store Guidelines as policy.

The following separation distances are listed in the Land Use Bylaw:

Table 1: Separation Distance from Cannabis Stores in the Land Use Bylaw

| To | Distance | Districts |
|-----------------------|--------------|---|
| Liquor Store | Not abutting | All except regional commercial (C-R2 and C-R3 and downtown (CR20-C20/R20) |
| Vacant school parcels | 100 metres | All |
| Schools | 150 metres | All except regional commercial (C-R2 and C-R3 and downtown (CR20-C20/R20) |
| Emergency Shelter | 150 metres | All except regional commercial (C-R2 and C-R3 and downtown (CR20-C20/R20) |
| Cannabis Store | 300 metres | All except regional commercial (C-R2 and C-R3 and downtown (CR20-C20/R20) |

A separation distance in the Land Use bylaw it is a rule and must be met or 'relaxed' at the discretion of the Development Authority. Relaxations can be approved if there are sufficient reasons to support the request, or if there is policy that supports the relaxation (e.g. Cannabis Store Guidelines).

Council has also approved separation distances from Cannabis Stores to certain sensitive uses in the Cannabis Store Guidelines, as follows:

Table 2: Separation Distance from Cannabis Stores in the Cannabis Store Guidelines

| To | Distance | Districts |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Child Care Service | 10 metres | All |
| Payday Loan | 30 metres | All |
| Pawn Shop | 30 metres | All |
| Place of Worship | 30 metres | All |

The Cannabis Store Guidelines are Council policy. They explain the purpose of the separation distances. They also guide the Development Authority to make decisions on requests for reductions of the separation distances and the overall concentration of Cannabis Stores in communities.

Separation distances in the Guidelines are more flexible than when listed in the Land Use Bylaw because a reduction to separation distances in the Guidelines can be approved without a relaxation.