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Cannabis Delivery by Canada Post

Canada Post has been officially delivering medical cannabis since 2013. Starting on October 17, 2018 CUPW will begin delivering recreational cannabis from licensed distributors to customers throughout Canada.

On August 22, 2018 consultation took place with the employer concerning safety controls and guidelines for commercial customers. The employer stated the following:

- To ensure the branding/company name remains anonymous it is not permitted on the packaging
- Canada Post informed CUPW that there are strict requirements from Health Canada when sending cannabis through the mail. The packing must be scent free, vacuum sealed and anonymous;
 - Any package that is not scent free or has poor packaging will be removed from the delivery network and will be handled as per the non-mailable item regulations
- The age requirement to receive recreational cannabis is defined by each province and territory
- All recreational cannabis packages will require a signature and proof of age; this differs from medical cannabis which only requires a signature

The employer has stated that communications concerning handling, processing, proof of age, and health and safety will be phased in weekly starting the week of August 27, 2018.

Canada Post has made changes to the Portable Data Terminal (PDT) and the retail point of service that will inform delivery workers to card for age of majority. This is the same process used for liquor delivery in certain provinces.

All safety measures will be the same as it has been since the delivery of cannabis began five years ago.

Please contact your local if you have any questions or concerns.

In solidarity,

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