

The Bureau of Marijuana Regulation (BMR) – Facilities Licensing Division issues regularly occurring “Tips for Licensees” bulletins for medical marijuana facilities. It is BMR’s goal to provide direction and clarification to licensees regarding compliant practices and procedures in accordance with the Medical Marijuana Facilities Licensing Act and Administrative Rules.

Fire-Rated Separations

The Bureau of Fire Services (BFS) would like to provide some information regarding separations at locations with multiple licenses in the same building. These separations may need to be fire-rated depending upon the different uses. Specifically, growers and processors – which are industrial occupancies – may require up to a 2-hour fire-rated wall separating them from other uses within the same building.

To be proactive, if an applicant is in the same building as other license types or other businesses, the applicant should obtain the services of an architect or engineer to determine compliance with NFPA 1, Section 6.1.14.4 (Separated Occupancies) as well as the approved design and installation of any required fire-rated separation walls. Applicants for grower or processor licenses are required to submit plans for review, so the services of an architect or engineer will also aid in that process.

Please contact Adam Dailide (517-373-6361) in the Bureau of Fire Services Plan Review Division for any questions.