



## Guidelines for Delivering Medical Marihuana by Designated-Person Production Licence Holders

### Background:

The *Marihuana Medical Access Regulations* (MMAR) provide seriously ill persons residing in Canada with a process by which they can obtain marihuana for medical purposes.

Under the Regulations the holder of an Authorization to Possess can access marihuana produced by the holder of a Designated-person Production Licence. Access includes the shipment of dried marihuana under secure conditions. The intent is to provide alternatives for authorized persons to obtain a legal supply of marihuana when they are unable to produce marihuana for themselves and choose not to access the dried marihuana produced on contract to the government.

### Requirements:

Under provisions of section 34(1)(d) of the *Marihuana Medical Access Regulations* the designated-person production licence holder *shall*

- (a) *securely pack the marihuana in a package that*
- (i) *prevents the contents from being identified without the package being opened, and*
  - (ii) *is sealed so that the package cannot be opened without the seal being broken;*

#### Guidelines:

- Select packaging with the right size, shape and strength for your goods
- Use cushioning material to make sure that the contents cannot easily move (newspaper and foam chips can help to fill empty spaces and curb movement)
- Double bag the marihuana in plastic to seal and minimize scent
- Firmly seal all seams of the package with quality packaging tape to ensure item stays closed for the entire journey (string, masking tape, or ordinary household tape are not recommended)

(b) *use a method of sending that involves*

- (i) *a means of tracking the package during transit,*
- (ii) *obtaining a signed acknowledgment of receipt by the holder of the authorization to possess, and*
- (iii) *safekeeping of the package during transit.*

#### Guidelines:

- Use a service provider, for example a national courier company or Canada Post, that offers both tracking during transit and a signature on delivery
- Clearly label the package with the name and address of the authorized person
- Do not indicate in any way on the outside of the package the contents