

1565.0800 FIT FOR COMMERCE CERTIFICATION.

Subpart 1. **Transferring hemp ownership.** A person must not transfer ownership of raw hemp to a processor or to the public without a Fit for Commerce certificate.

Subp. 2. **Acquiring raw hemp.** A processor must not acquire or process raw hemp grown within Minnesota without acquiring a copy of a Fit for Commerce certificate issued by the commissioner to the grower specific to the lot being purchased.

Subp. 3. **Drying or field-cleaning hemp.** For purposes of this part, "processing" does not include drying or field-cleaning of hemp. The licensee must notify the commissioner if the licensee is drying or field-cleaning hemp from the lot in a location other than what is listed on the licensee's application or license.

Subp. 4. **Hemp from outside the state.** A licensed processor using hemp obtained from outside of Minnesota must maintain a bill of lading, certificate of analysis, and other proper documentation demonstrating that the hemp is from a source approved through another state or a federally approved plan. The licensee must retain such records for three years and produce them upon request of the commissioner, law enforcement, or other regulatory entity. Imported hemp products must meet all applicable state and federal laws.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 18K.06; L 2019 1Sp1 art 2 s 20*

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NOTE: This temporary exempt rule is effective until August 16, 2025, or until permanent rules implementing chapter 18K are adopted, whichever occurs first.

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