



CITY of NORTHAMPTON

Department of Health and Human Services

Merridith O'Leary, RS ~ Commissioner
Municipal Building ~ 212 Main Street ~ Northampton, MA 01060
Phone (413) 587-1214 ~ Fax (413) 587-1221
<https://northamptonma.gov/245/Health-Human-Services>



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

September 26, 2025

Dear Merchant,

We would like to inform you that the City of Northampton Board of Health voted on - **August 21, 2025** to approve the regulation *Prohibiting the Manufacturing, Sale and Distribution of Synthetically Derived Cannabinoids, Synthetically Derived Kratom and Unregulated Novel Intoxicating Products*. This regulation is intended to safeguard public health and safety by restricting the availability of certain unregulated and potentially harmful substances in our community.

The regulation effective date is **October 1st, 2025**. A copy of the approved *City of Northampton Board of Health Regulation Prohibiting the Manufacturing, Sale and Distribution of Synthetically Derived Cannabinoids and Synthetically Derived Kratom and Unregulated Novel Intoxicating Products*, is enclosed for your review.

We encourage you to read the regulation in its entirety as it may affect the products you sell and your business operations. Compliance with this regulation is required and failure to adhere shall result in penalties.

If you have questions concerning the approved regulation, please call the City of Northampton Department of Health and Human Services at (413) 587-1214.

Thank you for your attention on the important public health matter and for your cooperation in helping keep our community safe.

Sincerely,

Merridith O'Leary

Merridith A. O'Leary, R.S.
Health Commissioner
Department of Health & Human Services