



**APPLICATION FOR COLLECTIVE LISTING at  
<http://canorml.org/medical-marijuana/California-collectives-and-dispensaries-guide>**

The sale of medical cannabis remains strictly illegal under federal law. Raids have taken place and prosecutions have continued, leading to sentences of up to 10 years. In addition, landlords of dispensaries have been threatened with property forfeiture by the feds, and forfeiture actions have been initiated in a few recent cases.

California's Attorney General issued guidelines for collectives and cooperatives in August 2008. The guidelines note that storefront "dispensaries" are not explicitly recognized in state law, but that a "properly organized collective or cooperative" may legally dispense medical marijuana through a storefront provided it complies with certain conditions. The guidelines do not envision dispensaries operating as patient "caregivers," nor as for-profit businesses (there are many ways in which businesses can be organized as "non-profits"; for details consult a business attorney).

Coops and collectives must serve only verified legal patients, and distribute only to their own members. Dispensaries are expected to file for a seller's permit and pay sales taxes to the Board of Equalization. It is important that cooperatives and collectives consult local regulations before trying to set up operation. See [www.canorml.org/prop/collectivetips.html](http://www.canorml.org/prop/collectivetips.html) for more information on forming a collective or cooperative. We recommend you consult with an attorney, a list can be found at [www.canorml.org/laws.lc.html](http://www.canorml.org/laws.lc.html).

I certify that I have read the above and am complying with California law.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

email \_\_\_\_\_ (to receive updates on laws affecting your service)

LISTING INFORMATION (to be posted on our website):

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