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<u>Las Animas County Colorado Recreational and Medical Marijuana Guidelines</u> <u>Prepared by the Las Animas County Sheriff's Office</u>

The following guidelines are not for residents or visitors to the City of Trinidad. These are only for residents and visitors to the rest of Las Animas County. The City of Trinidad has its own ordinances concerning marijuana.

A. Medical Marijuana

- Las Animas County has a moratorium on the sale of medical marijuana. This
 means no commercial businesses can be set up in the county that will be
 selling marijuana. No cultivation centers can be established whose sole
 purpose is to cultivate with the intent to sell to a business with in any city
 or county where commercial sales of marijuana are allowed.
- 2. No individual can sell any marijuana they cultivate to any other individual or business. Individuals cannot use their plants to barter with for any type services.
- 3. A person must be a resident of Colorado with a Colorado driver's license or ID to obtain a medical marijuana card.
- 4. A medical marijuana card from another state is not valid in Colorado.
- 5. Medical marijuana cards cannot be expired and if they are proof from the Department of Revenue that the renewal is in progress must be presented. An application for renewal is not valid proof.

B. Colorado House Bill 1220 on new laws concerning medical marijuana

- 1. Law took effect on January 1, 2018
- 2. Establishes that if you are growing on a residential property a maximum number of plants that can be grown are 12 and this is for those with a medical marijuana card. Those classified as a caregiver can grow a maximum of 24 plants on a residential property. Regardless of the number of adults 21 or older or number prescribed by a doctor 12 is the max for medical card holders and 24 is the maximum for caregivers that can be grown on a residential property.
- 3. All other plants must be grown on a non-residential property.
- 4. Travel trailers and Recreational vehicles are classified as residences according the Department of Revenue.
- C. General rules on number of plants that can be grown when under medical marijuana or a caregiver.
 - 1. For individuals with a medical marijuana card and no additional prescribed by doctor the maximum that can be grown is 6 marijuana plants and you can possess up to 2 ounces of useable.
 - A doctor can prescribe up to 99 plants for a single individual but the 2 ounce usable is still the maximum you can possess. As stated above only 12 plants can be grown on a residential property all others must be grown on a non-residential property.
 - 3. Laws concerning Care Givers
 - a. Caregiver must have a medical marijuana card
 - b. A caregiver can grow for 5 others including themselves. Each person they grow for must have a medical marijuana card.
 - c. The caregiver can only grow what is prescribed for the individual. Again as stated above a caregiver can only grow a maximum of 24 plants on a residential property. All others must be grown on a non-residential property.

- d. Caregiver must keep plants for each person separate and labeled as to what plants belong to each person.
- e. Caregivers must register with the Department of Revenue
- 4. Laws for visibility of plants and access by those under 21.
 - a. Plants being grown cannot be visible to the public. If your plants can be seen from a city street, county road, or public easement you are out of compliance and you must find a way to block this visibility of the plants.
 - b. Plants must be secured so anyone under 21 especially children cannot have access to them NO Exceptions.

D. Recreational Marijuana

- Recreational marijuana is for all individuals in the State of Colorado 21
 years of age or older who wish to possess or cultivate marijuana and do not
 need to possess a medical marijuana card.
- Commercial sale of recreational marijuana in Las Animas County is strictly prohibited. No businesses in Las Animas County can sell marijuana. No individual can sell marijuana in Las Animas County. No person can use marijuana in a barter system for any type of services.
- 3. Any Colorado resident under recreational marijuana laws can possess up to 1 ounce of useable marijuana and cultivate up to 6 plants per adult 21 years

- of age or older living in the same residence. Non-Colorado residents 21 years of age or older can possess ½ ounce of useable marijuana.
- 4. Under Colorado House Bill 1220 under Recreational cultivation on a residential property only 12 plants maximum can be grown regardless of the number of people 21 years of age or older residing on the property. All other plants must be grown on a non-residential property.
- 5. Travel trailers and Recreational Vehicles are classified as residences by the Department of Revenue.
- 6. Plants being cultivated on a property cannot be visible to the public. This means the marijuana plants cannot be visible from a city street, county road, or public easement.
- 7. Plants must be secured so anyone under 21 especially children cannot have access to them NO Exceptions.

The Las Animas County Sheriff's Office will be conducting compliance checks at any know cultivation site in the county as well as any grows reported by the public.