

CANNABIS COMMERCE FORUM NPC

Registered Non-Profit Company (NPC) and Registered Non-Profit Organisation (NPO)

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LEGAL RESTRICTIONS AND REGULATORY DISCLAIMER

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1. PURPOSE

This Legal Restrictions and Regulatory Disclaimer is published by the Cannabis Commerce Forum NPC ("**CCF**"), a registered non-profit company and non-profit organisation, to address the card scheme and acquiring bank requirement for disclosure of legal restrictions, and to make clear the lawful scope of CCF's activities. It forms part of, and should be read with, the CCF Terms and Conditions.

2. WHAT CCF DOES NOT DO

CCF does not sell cannabis, cannabis medicines, scheduled substances, cannabis-derived products, or any goods requiring authorisation from SAHPRA, SAPS, the Department of Health, or any other statutory body. CCF does not cultivate, possess for supply, manufacture, import, export, store, handle, distribute, dispense, prescribe, or advertise any such product.

CCF does not issue licences, permits, exemptions, or approvals. CCF membership is not legal authorisation to conduct any cannabis-related activity. A CCF membership certificate confirms membership of the non-profit organisation only and does not constitute a licence, permit, SAHPRA authorisation, government approval, legal opinion, medical authorisation, or permission to trade.

3. WHAT CCF DOES

CCF is a non-profit industry advocacy and representation body. Its activities are limited to:

- (a) receiving once-off and recurring donations in support of its non-profit objectives;
- (b) where offered, selling ordinary lawful branded merchandise, and offering courses, events, and memberships;
- (c) collective representation of stakeholder interests in engagement with government and regulatory bodies;
- (d) general information and referral facilitation in respect of the SAHPRA Section 21 access process;

- (e) general informational compliance guidance, education, events, and advocacy in support of the responsible and lawful development of the South African cannabis sector.

4. SECTION 21 - SCOPE AND LIMITATIONS

The Section 21 process is a mechanism under the Medicines and Related Substances Act 101 of 1965, administered by SAHPRA, for access to unregistered medicines. CCF's role is limited to general information and referral facilitation to appropriate third-party doctors or service providers. CCF does not itself provide medical advice, prescribe, dispense, supply, import, store, or submit Section 21 applications. Any clinical assessment, prescription, application, supply, or dispensing must be undertaken by an appropriately registered or authorised person.

5. MERCHANDISE

Where CCF sells branded merchandise, such merchandise will be ordinary lawful goods only and will not include cannabis, cannabis-derived products, medicines, or scheduled substances.

6. EXPORT RESTRICTIONS

CCF does not sell or export cannabis products, cannabis medicines, scheduled substances, or regulated products. Where CCF sells branded merchandise, such merchandise will be ordinary lawful goods only. CCF's donation, membership, educational, advocacy, and facilitation activities are conducted from South Africa.

7. MEMBER AND DONOR RESPONSIBILITY

Each member is solely and independently responsible for its own compliance with all applicable laws, including any licensing, permitting, health, safety, and regulatory requirements. CCF does not warrant that any member is lawfully entitled to conduct any particular activity, and membership of, or donation to, CCF does not relieve any person of its own legal and regulatory obligations.

8. NO PROFESSIONAL ADVICE

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