Reporting Test Results to ADHS

Testing Marijuana and marijuana products is all about consumer safety.

Currently there is very little information and oversight as to what happens when a batch fails testing. Implementing a procedure that notifies the regulatory body when a batch fails is imperative to ensure that the failed batch has been remediated or destroyed appropriately so that it does not end up in the hands of the consumer.



Method of reporting

The two most common ways of reporting test results to the regulatory body is through a tracking system (using specific software) or a simple notification system (via email).





WHAT IS METRC?

Metrc is the most trusted and experienced provider of cannabis regulatory systems in the United States. Our solution combines advanced software, radio-frequency identification, a dedicated customer-support team, and a secure database to track and trace cannabis from growth, harvest, and processing, to testing, shipment, and sale. Metrc serves more than 150,000 users, including growers, testing facilities, dispensaries, state regulators, and law enforcement officials across 15 states, the District of Columbia, and Guam. We are proud to play a leading role in ensuring the safety and security of the nation's legal cannabis market.

HOW METRC WORKS

Cannabis legalization immediately tasks state governments with a host of challenging demands, including protecting public health, establishing new testing and tracking protocols, and securing the regulated market against illicit product. Metrc is a powerful ally in advancing all of these interests.

In states with regulated cannabis sales, cannabis businesses are required to account for all of their inventory at every stage of its development and production. Because Metrc's system tracks every legal product back to the original source plant, agencies are able to ensure no illicit cannabis enters the regulated market, and no cannabis products are diverted and sold unlawfully outside of it. Product destruction and disposal are similarly monitored to prevent diversion and unlawful sale. Metrc pioneered this precision track-and-trace system, providing a high level of detail and event history on every product sold.

SAFETY

Metrc protects public health.

Metrc's track-and-trace system allows regulators to quickly identify, isolate, and recall plants and packages that have been tested for contamination by laboratories and deemed unsafe. Metrc provided just this kind of support to states during the 2019 vaping crisis, helping prevent harmful products from reaching consumers.

TRANSPARENCY

Metrc expands regulator oversight.

We provide regulators with information on every cannabis product sold in the state, including growth, production, and transport details. It also eases the reporting burden, empowering agencies with up-to-the-minute information about market performance, sales growth, tax revenue, and enforcement.

THE METRC DIFFERENCE

Metrc works exclusively with state agencies, tailoring our systems to the demands of each state's regulatory environment. Metrc's success reflects investments in advanced technology and integrated software platforms that have been tried, tested, and perfected by Metrc engineers for more than two decades.

Metrc is more than a robust database. Our system uses advanced radio-frequency identification (RFID) tags to track plants, packages, and products as they progress through the supply chain, monitors their transport to retailers or manufacturers, and records thier authorized sale.

SECURITY

Metrc safeguards the marketplace.

Our system accounts for every plant and product

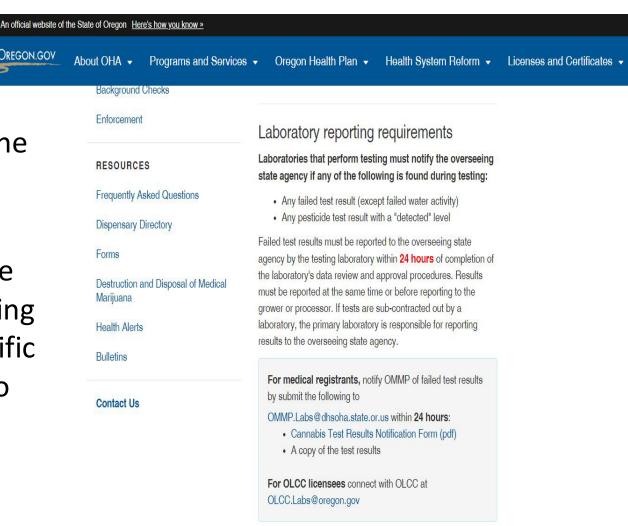
Tracking System

Metrc is a common regulatory system in the US. This system not only monitors the test results of each batch, and is accessible by the producer, the laboratory and the regulators, but also tracks cannabis from growth, harvest and processing to testing, shipment and sale.

Notification System

Sending results through email to the overseeing state agency is also effective.

The example to the right shows the state of Oregon Laboratory reporting requirements which includes specific instructions on when and whom to report test results to.





Reporting System by State

State	AZ	АК	СО	CA	OR	NV
Reporting System	None	METRC reporting for all required tests.	METRC reporting for required and voluntary tests.	METRC and Email Notification of all required tests.	Email Notification System of Failed tests and Pesticide detects	Email Notification System of all required tests.

Of the 37 states that have legalized cannabis, Arizona is only one of seven that does not have a state reporting system.



Recommendation

All Testing Laboratories report any failing test result for a mandated test to ADHS.

This would allow ADHS to have the information necessary to oversee and enforce the rules that require remediation or destruction of marijuana and marijuana products that are unsafe for consumer consumption. This should include blind testing of samples from dispensary shelves.

