

**WAC 314-55-082 Insurance requirements.** Cannabis licensees must obtain insurance coverage. Insurance is required to protect the consumer if any claims, suits, actions, costs, damages or expenses arise from any negligent or intentional act or omission of the cannabis licensees. Cannabis licensees will provide the board with a certificate of insurance demonstrating that the following types and minimum amounts of insurance have been obtained:

(1) Commercial general liability insurance: The licensee must carry and maintain commercial general liability insurance or commercial umbrella insurance for bodily injury and property damage arising out of licensed activities at all times. The limits of liability insurance will not be less than \$1,000,000. Upon board request, a licensee must provide proof of insurance.

(a) This insurance must cover such claims as may be caused by any act, omission, or negligence of the licensee or its officers, agents, representatives, assigns, or servants.

(b) The insurance must also cover bodily injury, including disease, illness and death, and property damage arising out of the licensee's premises/operations, products, and personal injury.

(2) Insurance carrier rating: The insurance required in subsection (1) of this section must be issued by an insurance company authorized to do business within the state of Washington. Insurance is to be placed with a carrier that has a rating of A - Class VII or better in the most recently published edition of *Best's Reports*. If an insurer is not admitted, all insurance policies and procedures for issuing the insurance policies must comply with chapters 48.15 RCW and 284-15 WAC.

(3) Additional insured. The state and its employees, agents, and volunteers shall be named as an additional insured on insurance policies required under this section. All policies shall be primary over any other valid and collectable insurance.

(4) Failure to maintain or provide proof of insurance as required may result in license cancellation.

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