


**STATE OF CONNECTICUT**  
**DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION**  
**Police Officer Standards and Training Council**  
**Connecticut Police Academy**

**GENERAL NOTICE 19-03**

**To:** Chief Law Enforcement Officers, Training Officers, Protective Services, and Resident Troopers

**From:** Karen Boisvert, Acting Academy Administrator  
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**Date:** October 7, 2019

**Subject:** **Public Act 19-3 an Act Concerning a Pilot Program for Hemp Production**

In accordance with Public Act 19-3, on May 9, 2019, the Governor established an agricultural hemp pilot program, which will license participants to cultivate, process, and manufacture hemp. The Department of Agriculture regulates growers and processors, while the Department of Consumer Protection regulates manufacturers of human consumable products. Please alert your personnel to this program.

“Hemp products” means products with a delta-tetrahydrocannabinol concentration of not more than 0.3 percent on a dry weight basis derived from, or made by, the processing of hemp plants or hemp plant parts.

CT licensed growers of hemp are permitted to grow outdoors on as little as 0.25 acres and indoors. Their credentials can be found on [www.elicense.ct.gov](http://www.elicense.ct.gov). Growers are **not required** by law to have signs posted near the crop. Hemp will look, smell and test the same as marijuana. Currently over 80+ sites have been licensed by the Department of Agriculture. Officers who come in contact with a questionable crop should call the Department of Agriculture to confirm locations of allowable growing and processing at (860) 713-2502 before seizing plants or enforcing laws.

Any participant permitted to process, handle, store, and market hemp, credentials can be found on [www.elicense.ct.gov](http://www.elicense.ct.gov). Transporters of hemp grown in CT must have a copy of their grower’s or processor’s license from the Department of Agriculture, and a certificate of analysis from a laboratory certifying the level of THC is below .3% which allows the transportation of hemp from a **licensed** CT grower/processor to a **licensed** CT processor or manufacturer, or to an out of state location. The Department of Agriculture will not be

providing any formal credentialing for transportation, as hemp may be transported inter-state legally without restriction.

All participants permitted to convert hemp into a product for human consumption, credentials can be found on [www.elicense.ct.gov](http://www.elicense.ct.gov); and fall under the regulations set forth by the Department of Consumer Protection (DCP).

All questions should be referred to Department of Agriculture to confirm licensed locations (860) 713-2502.

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