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Identification Tags REQUIRED for Medical Cannabis Plants

The Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) for Medical Cannabis was approved by the governor on July 6, 2015 with an effective date of July 18, 2015. As such, "The person who has been designated to cultivate cannabis shall have a legible identification tag, in a form and manner as determined by the department, on each cannabis plant being cultivated for the qualifying patient." (See, section 11-160-31(b), HAR.) Simply put, all registered patients and caregivers **MUST** place identification tags on each of their medical cannabis plants that **CLEARLY shows their 329 registration number and expiration date.**

How many plants can be tagged with the same Registration Number? An "adequate supply" for purposes of tagging means **TEN (10)** cannabis plants whether immature or mature, jointly possessed between a patient and a caregiver. No more than **TEN (10)** cannabis plants, at a single registered location, should be tagged with the same registration number and expiration date. (See, Act 041, House Bill 1488.) *****Effective June 29, 2017*****

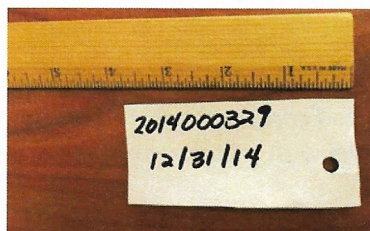
How/Where do I get the tags? Patients and caregivers must make OR purchase their own tags. The tag **MUST** meet the DOH guidelines. Acceptable tags are available for sale online OR can be made with items found in most hardware stores.

Where (on the plant) do I put the tag? The tag shall be hung from or around the bottom of each plant.

Guidelines for Proper Identification Tags:

1. **Tag Material/Durability** - Each tag shall be made of a durable water and weather resistant material.
2. **Tag Color**: Each tag shall be of **SOLID** color with black or blue lettering.
3. **Tag Face Size**: Each tag face shall be at least 3" long by 1/4" wide.
4. **Tag Location**: Each tag shall be hung from or around the bottom of the plant.
5. **Tag Visibility**: Each tag shall be easily visible from the outside of the plant.
6. **Tag Content**: Each tag shall be **CLEARLY** marked with the **329 registration number and expiration date.**
7. **Lettering**:
 - Shall be large and legible enough to be readable.
 - Shall remain readable if/when plant is subjected to watering or the elements. If any lettering on the tag becomes difficult to read then the tag shall be replaced immediately with the same registration number and expiration date.
8. **Updating Tags**: Tags shall be updated immediately upon issuance of a new registration card (i.e. renewal, change of information on card = reissue of card and a change of registration number) or anytime the tag contents are no longer legible.

EXAMPLES (tags below are made from items purchased at Walmart):



Waterproof Gorilla Tape (folded in half)



Waterproof Gorilla Tape (folded with solid color insert)



1/4" x 24" Cable Ties

WARNING: Untagged cannabis plants or improperly tagged cannabis plants (not meeting the above requirements) are subject to confiscation and removal by law enforcement, and the grower or property owner is not guaranteed the protections available in chapter 329, Hawaii Revised Statutes.