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Cannabis Policy

Purpose:

To describe the EPS' approach to the enforcement of cannabis related offenses in accordance with relevant legislation.

Statement of Principle:

The *Cannabis Act* and the *Alberta Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Act (GLCA)* allow for the possession, use, cultivation and distribution of cannabis by adults. The EPS is committed to enforcing cannabis related offenses in accordance with relevant legislation.

Definitions:

Definitions listed in this section apply to this document only with no implied or intended organization-wide or EPS Policy and Procedure Manual wide use.

Cannabis Accessory – An item that is used in the consumption or production of cannabis, or an organic solvent that is used in the consumption or production of cannabis.

Illicit Cannabis – Cannabis that is sold, produced or distributed by a person prohibited from doing so under the *Cannabis Act* or the *GLCA* and their associated regulations.

Policy Statement:

EPS members must enforce cannabis related offences in a way that:

1. prevents cannabis possession, use, cultivation, distribution or sale to minors,
2. prevents the possession, use, cultivation, distribution or sale of illicit cannabis, and
3. ensures the possession, use, cultivation, distribution or sale of cannabis is done in a manner that promotes safe consumption and is done within the parameters of relevant legislation and City of Edmonton bylaws.