



Hello S3 Collective friend,

Welcome to S3 Collective's June 2024 Newsletter! S3 Collective has steadily working on a critical [rescheduling public comment](#) to ensure science is firmly on the public comment record. We invite you to support our efforts and consider making a [donation](#) to help us complete this crucial work before the 7/22 deadline. Thank you for being a part of our journey towards meaningful change!

Why tune in? Our newsletter is your window into the evolving world of cannabis standards, science, and safety! If you know someone who may be interested in our newsletter, let them know that they can [sign up here](#).

– David Vaillencourt & Alena Rodriguez, Co-Founders

S3 Collective Updates

- We recently announced the formation of our **Governmental Advisory Committee**, which includes [Tyler Klimas](#), former Executive Director of the Nevada Cannabis Compliance Board, and [Christina Dempsey](#), former Policy & Research Director of the California Department of Cannabis Control. Read more about it [here](#).
- Several S3 Collective members attended and spoke on panels at [CANNRA's External Stakeholder Event](#) earlier this month. Over 30 state jurisdictions, regulators from Canada and the Netherlands, and 175 stakeholder organizations attended to discuss topics such as hemp cannabinoids, rescheduling, social equity and parity in the marketplace, product safety and quality, and interstate commerce.
- Check out the S3 Collective [website](#) and sign our [pledge](#)!



From left to right: Fred Niehaus (S3C Board Member), Tyler Klimas and Christina Dempsey (S3C Governmental Advisory Committee Members), Elisabeth Berry and Scheril Murray Powell (S3C Board Members), and David Vaillencourt and Alena Rodriguez (S3C Co-Founders) at CANNRA's External Stakeholder Event in Minneapolis, MN.



From left to right: Gillian Schauer (CANNRA), Nicole Elliott (CANNRA), Ross Gordon (National Craft Cannabis Coalition), Adam Smith (Alliance for Sensible Markets), Shaleen Title (Parabola Center for Law and Policy) and David Vaillencourt (S3 Collective) speaking on a panel about interstate and international commerce.

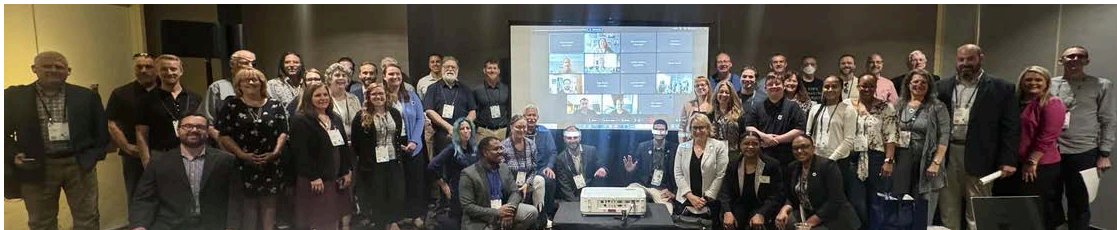
Standards Snapshot

ASTM D37 June 2024 Committee Week Recap

Another successful Committee Week is behind us! Dozens of industry professionals from across the country and as far away as Saint Lucia Island and New Zealand and state and federal regulators met in Philadelphia a couple weeks ago to work on international cannabis standard development. Some of the topics that were discussed include vaporizer product safety, pre-roll analysis and characterization, hemp fiber materials, medical cannabis quality, compressed gases used in extraction facilities.

S3 Collective hosted a Networking Event at Philadelphia's oldest tavern, McGillin's, on the first evening. Thank you to our Gold Sponsors, [Accuris](#) and [Qredible](#)! Also, thank you to our Silver and Bronze Sponsors, Boveda and The GMP Collective.

Mark your calendars for the **next D37 Meeting from January 27 - 29, 2025** at the Hyatt Regency Houston in Houston, TX.



From top to bottom: ASTM D37 Members at June 2024 Committee Week, D37 Members enjoying the Networking Event at McGillin's.

ASTM D37 Open Ballots

- D37.02 Quality Management Systems Subcommittee: Standard Guide for Allergen Control in the Manufacturing of Cannabinoid-Containing Edibles, Beverages, and Dietary Supplements WK85669 (*extended to close 6/26/24*)
- D37.06 Personnel Training, Assessment, Credentialing Subcommittee: Standard Guide for Training Requirements for Herbal Extraction Related Professions Within the Cannabis and Hemp Industries WK86722 (*extended to close 6/26/24*)

Cannabis Industry Journal Article Series on Standards

Check out this [new series](#) that explores the importance of ASTM standards for ensuring consumer safety in the cannabis industry.

Science Spotlight

DaySavers [announced](#) a partnership with the Cannabis Research Coalition and the Network of Applied Pharmacognosy on a pioneering study called "[The Science of Smokeability](#)" (SOS). This two-year study will pay participants to smoke pre-rolls while evaluating cultivation and processing variables to enhance product quality and inform future cannabis industry standards.

Safety Scoop

A [joint investigation](#) by The Los Angeles Times and WeedWeek has revealed that many cannabis products in California's legal market contain dangerous levels of pesticides. Despite claims of strict regulation, the findings highlight potential health risks for consumers and patients.

Events

- **7/18 - 7/21: [The Research Society on Marijuana 8th Annual Meeting](#)** in Toronto, Canada with virtual satellite continuing education sessions on 7/18.
- **8/07 - 8/09: [Cannabis Research Conference](#)** in Fort Collins, CO.
- **9/20: [Cannabinoids in Clinical Practice](#)** 1st Annual Medical Cannabis Symposium hosted by New York State Office of Medical Cannabis & Roswell Park in Buffalo, NY. You can [submit](#) speaker and poster proposals until 7/08.

Rulemaking Meetings, Regulatory Events, & Public Comments

All times listed are in local time.

- **United States Pharmacopeia (USP)** - USP has released a newly revised proposal for the Cannabis Species Inflorescence Monograph, available for [public comment](#) in the *Herbal Medicines Compendium (HMC)* until **7/02**.
- **Canada** - Health Canada is proposing changes to cannabis regulations ranging from packaging to reporting requirements in an effort to reduce the regulatory burden until **7/08**.
 - [Order](#) Amending Schedule 2 to the Cannabis Act.
 - [Regulations](#) Amending Certain Regulations Concerning Cannabis.
 - [Order](#) Amending the Cannabis Tracking System Order.
- **Alaska** - The next Marijuana Control Board (MCB) meetings will be on **6/26** and **9/11** at 9am ([in-person and virtual](#)). The MCB is accepting [public comments](#) on proposed changes to location requirements for exterior window areas until **6/28** at 4:30pm. The Cannabis Testing Lab User Group meets next on **7/11** from 9:30am to 11:30pm ([virtual](#)).
- **California** - The next Cannabis Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting will be on **9/12** ([virtual](#)).
- **Colorado** - The Marijuana Enforcement Division's (MED) Science and Policy Forum will meet on **7/12** from 11am - 1pm ([virtual](#), last meeting [recording](#) from 6/07). The Denver Department of Excise and Licenses formed a [Natural Medicine Work Group](#)

to explore a [natural medicine](#) licensing framework in Denver and they will meet next on **6/27** and **7/18** from 2 - 4pm ([virtual](#)).

- **Delaware** - The Office of the Marijuana Commissioner (OMC) published the [public comments](#) they recently received on their proposed regulations. The rules are set to be adopted in July. The OMC is hosting a Technical Assistance Workshops for Social Equity Applicants on **6/26** from 3 - 6pm ([virtual](#)).
- **DC** - The next Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration (ABC) Board meeting will be on **6/26** at 10:30am ([virtual](#)).
- **Georgia** - The Georgia Access to Medical Cannabis Commission (GMCC) recently met on 6/12 ([summary](#) and [recording](#)).
- **Maine** - The Office of Cannabis Policy (OCP)'s Cannabis Hospitality Task Force will have at least four hybrid meetings to discuss options and recommendations for cannabis hospitality establishments in Maine. Meetings will be held on **7/10**, **7/24**, **8/14**, and **8/28** from 1 - 4pm and will be livestreamed for public viewing on [OCP's YouTube channel](#).
- **Maryland** - The Maryland Cannabis Administration (MCA) Advisory Board on Medical and Adult-Use Cannabis recently met on 5/23 and 6/18 (meeting [audio minutes](#)).
- **Massachusetts** - The Cannabis Control Commission (CCC) had several recent meetings ([public meeting materials](#)).
- **Michigan** - The Cannabis Regulatory Agency (CRA) is hosting an education session on Cannabis and Air Quality with EGLE on **7/11** at 10am ([virtual](#)) and another education session on Cannabis Related Waste with EGLE on **7/18** at 10am ([virtual](#)). The next CRA public meeting will be on **9/11** at 9:30am ([virtual](#)). See previous meeting and education session recordings [here](#).
- **Minnesota** - The Office of Cannabis Management (OCM) opened the cannabis license the verification process for [social equity applicants](#) on 6/24 and it will close on **7/10**. The OCM's Cannabis Advisory Council will meet next on **8/22** from 10am - 12pm ([virtual](#), previous meeting [minutes](#)).
- **Mississippi** - The Medical Cannabis Program published a Medical Cannabis Testing [Technical Bulletin](#) on R&D Testing this month.
- **Montana** - The Department of Revenue is accepting [public comments](#) on a proposal pertaining to revised marijuana sampling protocols and quality assurance testing requirements until **7/01**. The Cannabis Control Division's Synthetic Advisory Council recently met on 5/24 ([recording](#)).
- **Nevada** - The Cannabis Compliance Board (CCB) will meet next on **6/28** ([in-person and virtual](#)).
- **New Hampshire** - The next Therapeutic Cannabis Medical Oversight Board meeting will be on **10/02** from 5:30 - 7:30pm ([in person and virtual](#)).

- **New Jersey** - The next Cannabis Regulatory Commission (CRC) public meetings will be on **7/18** and **9/19** at 11am, unless otherwise noted ([in person and virtual](#)).
- **New York** - The Office of Cannabis Management (OCM)'s Cannabis Advisory Board is meeting on **6/26** at 11am ([in person](#) and [virtual](#)).
- **Ohio** - The Division of Cannabis Control (DCC) is accepting [public comments](#) on proposed rules about advertising, fees, forms & methods of administration, THC content, portions and units, cultivator operations, processor operations and employee training until **6/26**.
- **Oregon** - The Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission (OLCC)'s held a hearing on 6/17 about the limited marijuana tax compliance extension ([proposed rules](#) and [recording](#)).
- **Rhode Island** - The Cannabis Control Commission (CCC) may tentatively have meetings on **6/28**, **7/12**, and/or **7/26**, posted 48-hours in advance ([in-person](#)). Call the Commission at 401-921-3010 to confirm a specific meeting date.
- **Utah** - The Medical Cannabis Policy Board Advisory Board (MCPBA) met on 6/18 ([recording](#) and [documents](#)).
- **Vermont** - The Cannabis Control Board (CCB) will meet next on **6/26** at 1pm ([virtual](#)). They last met on 5/29 ([recording](#)). They also recently held a peer networking event on propagation cultivator requirements on 6/19 ([recording](#)).
- **Virginia** - The Cannabis Control Authority (CCA) Board of Directors will meet on **6/26** from 1 - 3pm ([in person and virtual](#)).
- **Washington** - The Liquor and Cannabis Board (LCB) will present a recommendation on a [Petition for Rulemaking](#) regarding amending WAC 314-55-095 regarding cannabis serving sizes for cannabis-infused products on **7/17** ([meeting information](#)). The public is invited to submit comments and feedback on this petition until **7/03**. The Board has regular meetings for the Board Caucus every Tuesday from 10 - 11am, regular Board meetings every other Wednesday from 10 - 11am, and an Executive Management Team meeting every second Wednesday of each month from 1:30 - 3:30pm ([details](#)).
- **West Virginia** - The Office of Medical Cannabis (OMC)'s Medical Cannabis Advisory Board recently met on 6/13 ([recording](#)).

Are we missing one from your state? **[Let us know!](#)**

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