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Canadian Hemp Trade Alliance
Alliance Commerciale Canadienne du Chanvre



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HISTORICAL REVIEW

- *1998 March* - Industrial Hemp Regulations ([SOR/98/156](#))
- *2001 July* - *Canada Gazette* 135: 30 - Notice to Interested Parties - Proposal to Review the Existing Regulatory Framework for the Commercial Cultivation of Industrial Hemp.
- *2003*- Update to definitions
- *2005 March* -The Policy on the Exemption of Industrial Hemp Varieties from THC Testing During the Growing Season.
- *2007*- Changes to Pedigree production
- *2007-08 January-March* -National Industrial Hemp Strategy (CIC)
- *2008-09*- Canadian Hemp Regulatory Review
- *2009* - Commercial Hemp Application Updated

CANADIAN HEMP REGULATORY REVIEW (CHRRP)

Provide the Canadian Hemp Industry with an opportunity to evaluate the overall impact of the Canadian Industrial Hemp Regulations, other Acts and Regulations that impact on hemp production and marketing (e.g., Feeds Act, Seeds Act), current production and marketing practices in collaboration with Health Canada, Canadian Seed Growers Assoc and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency. The review will be carried out to harmonize regulations with business practices as conducted after 11 years of experience with the current regulations.

Ontario Hemp Alliance



“ RED TAPE REDUCTION COMMISSION”

- 2012 Nov- HC Rep at CHTA “Growing the Sector
- 2013 Aug Canada Gazette 147:35 - Notice to interested parties - Review and potential amendments to the Industrial Hemp Regulations made under the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act

“Following recommendations by the Red Tape Reduction Commission and in response to a number of issues identified both internally and externally since the IHR came into force, Health Canada is conducting a review of the industrial hemp framework, including the IHR and associated Health Canada policies and manuals. The purpose of the review is to create a more efficient framework that will benefit both Health Canada and the hemp industry, while continuing to protect the health and safety of Canadians (Heath Canada).” 2 in person and written

CANADA'S HEMP INDUSTRY CALLS FOR DEREGULATION

2013 December, 9- CHTA “has called on Canadian government to deregulate the production, processing and export of industrial hemp. In a formal request to the Prime Minister and the federal Ministers of Agriculture and Health as well as prairie provincial premiers and agriculture ministers the CHTA claims the regulatory burden placed on the industry has become an impediment to its growth.”

CURRENT REGULATORY STATUS

-Health Canada has set up some internal government working committees. *Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada* :

- George Adnam, National, Special Crops and Justin Sugawara, Deputy Dir., Sector Dev. & Analysis Directorate.
- 10 working committees: key & emerging issues.

IHR Working Group

Review IHR, act as body to inform Office of Controlled Substances

Phase 1 March – July 2014

Phase 2 – June – September 2015

CURRENT REGULATORY ISSUES

Key- Licensing, THC Testing, Cultivation, Importation

Emerging-

Deregulation/Minimize control

How much control is required under IHR

Licensing and permits, national compliance,

New uses

THC testing of hemp derivatives and products

Volunteer seeding

Interpretation of IHR

COMMENT ON CANNABINOIDS, SPECIFICALLY CANNABIDIOL (CBD)

CHTA “does not have any information or a response to enquiries related to Cannabinoids, specifically Cannabidiol. In Canada, the HC regulations allow only licensed producers to harvest the seed and stalk of the hemp plant. It is illegal for licensed producers and processors to harvest, store or utilize all other parts of the hemp plant.” “Hemp oil, from Canada, is the oil that is derived from the seed of hemp and is for food purposes only.”

OTHER CHTA INITIATIVES

Annual Fund – CHTA is reaching out to its members to secure internal funding for priority projects and funds for government matching programs. Annual Fund rates are based on revenues from hemp sales.

Priority Projects are all revenue generating and include:

- Check Off – Producer member contributions.
- Growers Manual – How to produce hemp.
- Annual Convention – Program costs.



HEMP 2014 - PAVING THE WAY

National Convention

November Monday, November 16 (AGM), 17 -19, 2014
Winnipeg, Manitoba Canada
Delta Hotel Downtown Winnipeg

Visit the tradeshow, attend presentations, take the tour and network over sumptuous hemp food.



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