

Ordinance Number: 2025-002

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARTHAGE, MISSISSIPPI, -USE, PURCHASE, POSSESSION, DISTRINUTION, SALE OR OFFERING FOR SALE OF PRODUCTS CONTAINING THC OR ANY VARIANT THEREOF OR PRODUCTS WITH PACKAGING CLAIMING TO CONTAIN "THC" OR ANY VARIANT THEREOF: PROHIBITED.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CARTHAGE, MISSISSIPPI AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Use, purchase, possession, distribution, sale or offering for sale of products containing THC or any variant thereof or products with packaging claiming to contain THC or any variant thereof is prohibited.

Definitions for the purposes of this section:

1. "Tetrahydrocannabinol" or "THC" means the natural or synthetic equivalents of the substances contained in the plant Cannabis sativa L., of in the resinous extractives of cannabis, or synthetic substances, derivatives, and their isomers with similar chemical structure and pharmacological activity.
2. "THC Product" means and product containing or product with packaging claiming to contain THC or any variant or isomer thereof.
 - (a) No person shall use, possess, purchase, distribute, sell or attempt to use, possess, purchase, distribute, sale or publicly display for sale any one or more of the following within the city:
 - a. Products sold as "THC" or any variant thereof or products with packaging claiming to contain THC variant included but are not limited to:
 - i. Delta 8:
 - ii. Delta 9:
 - iii. Delta 10:
 - iv. THCA:
 - v. THCV:
 - vi. THCP:
 - vii. THC-O- acetate:

- (b) Products containing or products with packaging claiming to contain THC” include but are not limited to the following:
- i. Vapes:
 - ii. Edibles (Gummies, Brownies, ECT...):
 - iii. Oils:
 - iv. Flower (Bud):
 - v. Beverages.
- (c) If any of the aforementioned products shall be found in the possession of any person or business, unless specifically excluded herein, the products shall be confiscated by law enforcements officials.
- (d) It shall not be an offense under subsection (a) above this section if a person shall be acting at the direction of an authorized agent of the city to enforce or ensure compliance with this law prohibiting the use, possess, purchase, distribute, sell or attempt to use, possess, purchase, distribute, sell or attempt to use, possess, purchase, distribute, sell or publicly display for sale the aforementioned products.
- (e) Its shall not apply to any person who shall commit an act described in this section pursuant to the direction of a duly licensed physician authorized to direct of prescribe such act and in strict accordance with the provisions of the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act.
- (f) This section shall not apply to a duly licensed medical cannabis dispensary and in strict accordance with the provisions of the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act, the sale of a product derived from the hemp plant designed for human ingestion and /or consumption that is not approved by the United States FDA is prohibited under Mississippi’s Uniform Controlled Substances Law.
- (g) Any person found to be guilty of violating this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine not to exceed One Thousand (\$1,000.00) or imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed six months or both and/or the revocation of the Privilege License.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

The foregoing Ordinance having been reduced to writing and having been read and considered by Section and then as a whole, Alderman, Marcus Williams moved to adopt same by Sections and as a whole. Alderman Josh Stokes seconded the motion to adopt the Ordinance, and the mayor having called the question to vote, the following vote was recorded:

Alderman, Britt Barnes.....	"Aye"
Alderman, Marcus Williams.....	"Aye"
Alderwoman, Robin Burgess.....	"Aye"
Alderman, Josh Stokes.....	"Aye"

The mayor declared the motion to have been carried and the Ordinance to have been adopted, and directed the publication thereof.

SO ORDERED this the 6th day of October, 2025.



Penny Spears
Penny Spears, City Clerk MMC

Laurie Henderson
Mayor Laurie Henderson