

Illinois Hemp Summary

Illinois has two statutes that regulate hemp. One is for higher education research programs, and one is for farmers.

Illinois Industrial Hemp webpage: <https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/agr/Plants/Pages/Industrial-Hemp.aspx>

505 ILCS 89 – Industrial Hemp Act

<http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/ilcs3.asp?ActID=3910&ChapterID=40>

Rules: 8 IAC 1200 <http://www.ilga.gov/commission/jcar/admincode/008/00801200sections.html>

720 ILCS 550/15.2 – Industrial Hemp Pilot Program

<http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/fulltext.asp?DocName=072005500K15.2>

Rules: 8 IAC 1100 <http://www.ilga.gov/commission/jcar/admincode/008/00801100sections.html>

The Illinois Department of Agriculture Industrial Hemp Program is operating under the Illinois Industrial Hemp Act. The department is working to submit program changes to include USDA's Interim Final Rule.

No person or agent of may cultivate, handle, and/or transport industrial hemp in Illinois without first obtaining a cultivator license. No person or agent of may process and/or transport industrial hemp in Illinois without first obtaining a processor license. To sell Industrial Hemp Seed in Illinois, the registered name on the label must obtain a Seed Permit.

A licensed person shall not sell or transfer, or permit the sale or transfer of, living plants or viable seeds to any person in the State of Illinois who does not hold a license or registration issued by the Department.

A licensed person shall not sell or transfer, or permit the sale or transfer of, living plants or viable seeds outside the State of Illinois that is not authorized by a state agency under the laws of the destination state.