



Transport & Storage Licence

Key Information

Overview

The Transport & Storage Licence authorises businesses to securely handle the movement and storage of cannabis and cannabis-derived products within the Isle of Man. This licence is a critical requirement for entities engaged in logistics, warehousing, or distribution of controlled cannabinoid substances.

Important to note: Third-party transporters moving cannabis between licensed premises do not need a Transport & Storage Licence, as long as they are acting on behalf of licensed operators. They must still comply with security measures, maintain chain-of-custody, and ensure full traceability and documentation.

Postal services, couriers, airlines, and shipping companies transporting controlled cannabinoids to or from the Isle of Man as part of their business must ensure the product is safely handled, but the responsibility for secure transmission rests with the GSC licensee.

No licence is required for the possession, import, or export of cannabis seeds.

Licence Scope

This licence is required for:

- Businesses transporting cannabis products between grower, manufacturer, or testing sites.
- Entities moving products to and from Isle of Man ports.
- Organisations providing secure storage facilities for other licensees.

Licensees may also hold additional licence types, such as:

- Cultivation Licence
 - Manufacture Licence
 - Import/Export Licence
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Licence Types

Class 5 – Transport & Storage Licence

Designed for logistics providers and licensed operators responsible for the secure movement and short-term storage of cannabis materials.

This licence supports the transportation and incidental storage of cannabis biomass, preparations containing controlled cannabinoids, and cannabis-derived products. It is intended to facilitate movement between licensed facilities or during import/export operations, ensuring compliance with security and traceability standards.

Allows:

- Possession of cannabis materials during transport
- Secure transportation of cannabis biomass and products between licensed sites on behalf of other licensees
- Storage of cannabis products in a secure, dedicated facility within the Isle of Man
- Transport of cannabis products on public roads under strict security and documentation protocols
- Temporary storage of cannabis materials in approved secure facilities
- Use of third-party logistics providers under strict compliance conditions
- Coordination of logistics for import/export operations

Restrictions:

- Does not permit cultivation, manufacturing, or long-term storage
 - Storage must be incidental to transport and within licensed premises
 - Cannabis must not be altered, processed, or repackaged during transport
 - Licence holders must not supply cannabis directly to consumers or unlicensed entities
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Facility Requirements

- Transport on public roads must follow strict security and documentation protocols
- All storage must occur within the Isle of Man and meet the required security standards
- Security measures must align with [Secure By Design](#) principles, including:
 - Physical protection systems
 - Secure storage
 - Access control
- As part of the application process, applicants must comply with Secure By Design guidelines and obtain any necessary accreditation relevant to their facility type and operations

Application Requirements

Please refer to the overview of the [application process](#) to ensure all requirements are met.

Licence Fees

<u>Licence Type</u>	Year 1	Year 2+
Transport & Storage (Class 5)	£5,250	£2,625
Maximum Annual Cap	£62,500	

Licences operate on a rolling 12-month basis. The cap is automatically applied when each fee is paid.

Contact & Application

Please refer to the Full Guidance Document

If, after reviewing the guidance, you require further assistance, you may contact us by telephone or email. Contact details are provided in the footer of this page.