

GREENLAND

AMERICAS



Travel & Possession Not Permitted Under Any Circumstance



Summary

- Both medical and recreational cannabis use are illegal throughout Greenland.
- Despite the prohibition, cannabis is used locally, including increasing use among younger populations.
- There is no legal framework for medical cannabis in Greenland.
- There are no legal provisions enabling licensed sale or distribution, even for medical purposes.

Background

Cannabis in Greenland is completely illegal, but is used in the country. Scholarly works carried out in 2010 and 2015 noted increasing cannabis use in the nation.

Possession of cannabis is strictly prohibited, with no formal allowances for personal or medical possession.

Sale, distribution, cultivation, and trafficking of cannabis remain illegal under Greenlandic law.

Non-Medical Cannabis

Recreational cannabis is completely illegal. Use, possession, sale, and cultivation are all prohibited.

Ongoing discussions about drug policy reforms exist, but no legislative changes have been approved.

Traveling to Greenland with Medical Cannabis

Greenland is officially part of the Kingdom of Denmark, but maintains autonomous drug policies. Even though Denmark has trial medical cannabis programs, Greenland does not recognize any legal medical cannabis use, nor any special import allowances.

Carrying medical cannabis into Greenland is prohibited and may result in legal penalties, including fines or more serious consequences.



There are no exemptions for prescription holders or travelers from countries where medical cannabis is allowed.

Steps to Take Before Departure:

1. Do not carry any cannabis product to Greenland.
2. Carry only non-cannabis medications that are legal.
3. Obtain pharmacy-labeled packaging with valid prescription for all legal medications.
4. Do not rely on foreign prescriptions for cannabis. The authorities of Greenland do not acknowledge them.
5. Discuss alternative legal treatments. Your doctor may be able to provide alternative medications acceptable under Greenlandic law.
6. Identify local clinics or hospitals in Greenland in case you need medical assistance.

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Practical Tips

- If you are taking other medications, carry them in original packaging with prescriptions and doctor's letters, best to verify legality via embassy.
- Speak to your embassy or consulate regarding your medical needs before planning travel.
- Use alternative, legal permitted medicines during your stay in Greenland.

The information provided reflects the most current data available; however, as cannabis laws are continually evolving, this content should not be interpreted as legal advice.

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