

Maine Revised Statutes
Title 17-A: MAINE CRIMINAL CODE
Chapter 45: DRUGS

§1117. CULTIVATING MARIJUANA

1. Except as provided in subsection 4, a person is guilty of cultivating marijuana if:

A. The person intentionally or knowingly grows or cultivates marijuana. Violation of this paragraph is a Class E crime; or [2009, c. 631, §2 (AMD); 2009, c. 631, §51 (AFF).]

B. The person violates paragraph A and the number of marijuana plants is:

(1) Five hundred or more. Violation of this subparagraph is a Class B crime;

(2) One hundred or more but fewer than 500. Violation of this subparagraph is a Class C crime;

(3) More than 5 but fewer than 100. Violation of this subparagraph is a Class D crime; or

(4) Five or fewer. Violation of this subparagraph is a Class E crime. [2001, c. 383, §148 (NEW); 2001, c. 383, §156 (AFF).]

[2009, c. 631, §2 (AMD); 2009, c. 631, §51 (AFF) .]

2.

[2001, c. 383, §156 (AFF); 2001, c. 383, §148 (RP) .]

3. It is an affirmative defense to prosecution under this section that the substance cultivated or grown is industrial hemp.

[2003, c. 61, §9 (NEW) .]

4. A person is not guilty of cultivating marijuana if the conduct is expressly authorized by Title 22, chapter 558-C or Title 28-B.

[2017, c. 409, Pt. B, §10 (AMD) .]

SECTION HISTORY

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