



BOTANICAS-“Spiritual Specialty Shop”

Definition

“Spiritual Specialty Shop” means any establishment whose primary business is the sale of, or providing instruction on the use of natural herbs, dry goods, health products, charms, non-pharmaceutical medicinal type products, and religious or spiritual items. Spiritual Specialty Shop includes but is not limited to botanicas, herbal medicine stores with sales of spiritual items, and similar uses.

Permit Fee

New	\$268.00
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License Fee

License Tax Schedule (24)

Processing Fee	\$40.00
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SB-1186	\$4.00
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City of El Monte
Permit Committee

SPIRITUAL SPECIALTY SHOPS (BOTANICAS)

Standard Conditions

POLICE DEPARTMENT

868. The business shall not engage in the practice of or delivery of medical services of any kind or manner. This includes, but is not limited to , providing injections of any kind to members of the public, offering or dispensing any medication(s) that require a prescription from a licensed medical provider under state or federal law, providing or dispensing any form of medical advice, service or consultations the only licensed medical providers may provide under state or federal law, or engaging in or offering any other medical service that only may be provided by a licensed medical provider under state or federal law.
869. The business shall not store, display, buy sell, demonstrate, or offer to any individual any medicines or other pharmacological products requiring a prescription from a licensed medical provider under state or federal law.
870. The business shall not store, display, buy sell, grow, demonstrate, or offer to any individual or entity marijuana, or any other drugs, products, or things prohibited by state or federal law.
871. The business shall not store, display, buy, sell, demonstrate, or offer to any individual or entity any product or thing that could be used for the unlawful use of marijuana. This includes, but is not limited to, bongos, roach clips and similar products commonly used to smoke or ingest marijuana.
872. The business shall not engage in any religious activities for which a Conditional Use Permit is required pursuant to Chapter 17.24 of the El Monte Municipal Code.
873. The business shall not store, display, buy sell, or allow any animal on the premises at any time, whether the business is open or closed to the public. This prohibition shall not apply to legitimate service animals that are allowed by the Americans With Disabilities Act or state law.
874. The business shall not kill, dress, sacrifice, or cook any animal on the premises at any time, nor shall the business allow any dead animal or carcass to be in or remain on the premises at any time.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

560. All building and electrical plumbing and mechanical elements must be maintained to an acceptable level of code compliance.
561. All exit and exit pathways must be maintained as required by the building codes.

LICENSE DEPARTMENT

51. Pursuant to **EMMC Section 5.12.260**, all other City fees and taxes must be paid in full as a prerequisite to the issuance of this permit. Should the permit holder default on the payment of any fee or tax due the City by any provision of law



or of this Code, this permit shall become invalid.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

- 875. No more than 25% of each window panel may be covered with signs as defined in Chapter 17.12 of the EMMC. Attachment on non-city approved signs, product signs, or advertisements is prohibited at all times.
- 876. There shall be no outdoor storage, display, advertisement, merchandise, debris, and storage containers at any time. All business activity shall take place within the confines of the building.
- 877. All onsite activities shall comply with the City of El Monte Noise Ordinance at all times.
- 878. Prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy, the business owner must submit a detailed floor plan to the Planning Division for review and approval. The operations of the business must strictly comply with the approved floor plan. Any proposed changes to the floor plan or use of the floor area must be submitted to the city for review and must receive approval prior to implementation. Any deviation of use from the approved floor plan on file with the city shall be cause for revocation or termination of the approved permit.
- 879. Banners are prohibited onsite at all times with an exception that banners that are in compliance with the El Monte Sign Ordinance may be installed upon approval of a Temporary Sign Permit by the Planning Division. Attachment of non-city approved signs, banners, product signs, or advertisements any to light poles/standards on or offsite is prohibited at all times.
- 883. All storage shall be conducted within the building. The outdoor storage of equipment, products, or inoperable vehicles, or similar items is prohibited.