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<b>Contact Point:</b> Metrc Support	<b>Subject:</b> Bud/Flower Item Category Updates	
<b>Reason:</b> The current Bud/Flower item category will be split into 2 new items categories: a weight-based item category (bulk) and a count-based item category (each).		

Greetings,

Metrc, in coordination with the NJ CRC, is pleased to provide the following update regarding item categories in Metrc:

- Starting on **July 17, 2025**, two new item categories will be available in Metrc:
  - Bud/Flower (bulk) – weight-based
  - Bud/Flower (each) – count-based
- Then on **October 15, 2025**, the existing Bud/Flower item category will be disabled in Metrc.

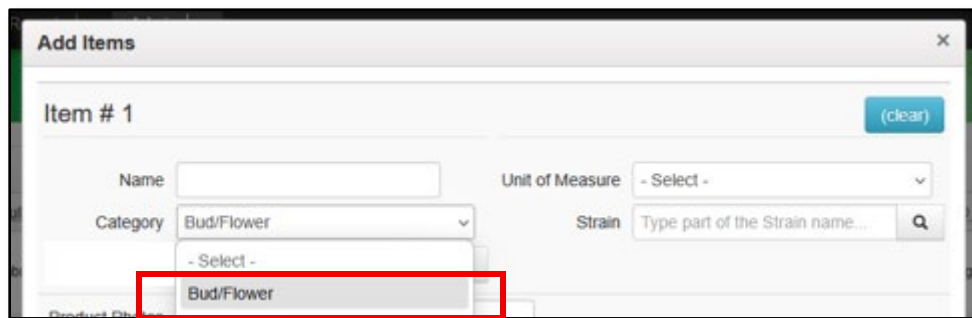
This change will serve to better classify bulk versus final form plant material, providing greater clarity for licensees and CRC.

Licensees must recreate the items they wish to continue using from the existing Bud/Flower item category into one of the new item categories.

Please read on for further information.

## **New Bud/Flower Item Categories**

There is currently one weight-based item category for Bud/Flower available to New Jersey licensees when creating flower items in Metrc – **see Figure 1**.

The image shows a screenshot of the 'Add Items' form in the Metrc system. The form has a title bar 'Add Items' with a close button. Below the title bar, there is a section for 'Item # 1' with a '(clear)' button. The form contains several input fields: 'Name' (text input), 'Unit of Measure' (dropdown menu), 'Category' (dropdown menu), and 'Strain' (text input with a search icon). The 'Category' dropdown menu is open, showing a list of options. The option 'Bud/Flower' is highlighted with a red rectangular box. The other options visible are '- Select -' and 'Bud/Flower'.

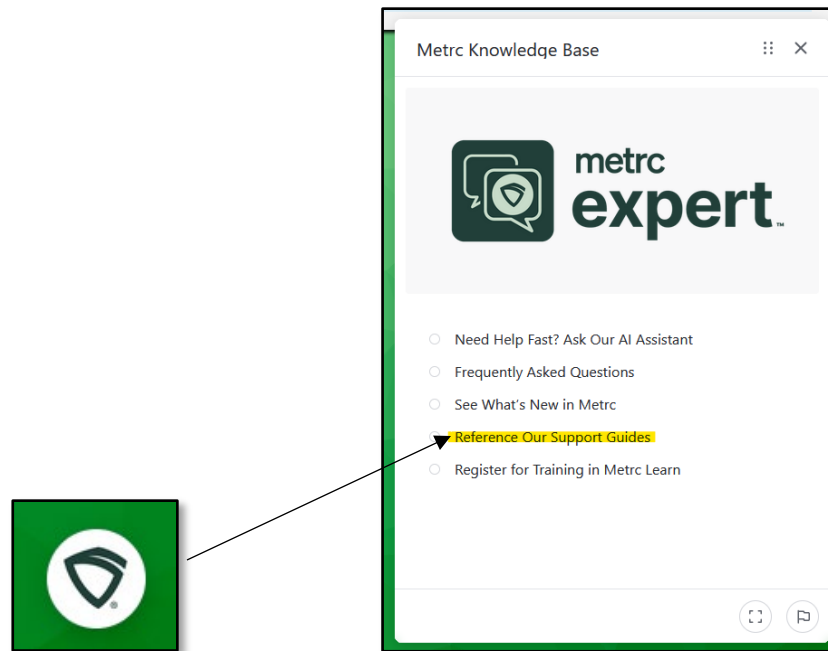
**Figure 1 – Current Bud/Flower Item Category in Metrc**

Beginning on **July 17, 2025**, licensees will see two new item categories available to create flower items:

- Bud/Flower (bulk)
  - o Weight based unit of measure
  - o Used for harvest batches and bulk flower for processing
  - o Does not require pre-approval by CRC
- Bud/Flower (each)
  - o Count based unit of measure
  - o Used for final form flower items (ex: eighth jars, 7g bags)
  - o Does not require pre-approval by CRC

Licensees must recreate existing flower items that they intend to use going forward by **October 15, 2025**. For guidance on how to create a new item in Metrc, please reference the knowledge base in Metrc Expert – **see Figure 2**.

- To access Metrc Expert, log in to Metrc and look for the circle icon with the Metrc crest in the bottom right corner.
- Click the circle icon to expand options and select Reference Our Support Guides > Getting Started in Metrc > Start Here to Set Up Your Account > Enter Item Names



**Figure 2 – Metrc Expert widget in Metrc System, Reference Our Support Guides**

Existing items in the Bud/Flower item category should be discontinued once new items have been built.

Packages made from the items that have been discontinued will still be transferable and sellable after October 15, 2025.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

**Are the same fields required when creating items in the new Bud/Flower item categories?**

- Yes, for the Bud/Flower (bulk) item category.
- No, for the Bud/Flower (each) item category. This item category will require Unit CBD and Unit THC percentages to be entered.

**Do I have to repackage items from the Bud/Flower (bulk) item category into the Bud/Flower (each) item category before transferring to a Dispensary for sale?**

- Yes.

**Do I have to conduct state compliance testing on items in the Bud/Flower (bulk) item category?**

- No. Whether the licensee chooses to conduct state compliance testing or R&D testing on bulk items is a business decision.
- State compliance testing is required for items in the Bud/Flower (each) item category because final form items being transferred to Dispensaries for sale must have a test passed or retest passed status.

## Metrc resources

If you have any questions, or need additional support, the following resources are available:

### **Contact Metrc Support**

By navigating to [Support.Metr.com](https://support.metr.com), or from the Metrc System, click Support and navigate to support.metr.com and it will redirect to the portal.

*Please note:* If accessing the portal for the first time, a username (which is established when logging in), the respective state and “Facility license number”, and a valid email to set a password are required.

### **Metrc Learn**

Metrc Learn is designed to provide users with interactive, educational information on system functionality to expand skillsets and drive workflow efficiencies.

Accessing the new [Metrc Learn](#) LMS is simple through multiple convenient locations:

#### ***From within the Metrc system***

Navigate to the drop-down Support menu in the navigational toolbar and select “Sign up for Training” to register.

#### ***From the Metrc website***

Navigate to your [state’s partner page](#) and scroll down to the “Metrc’s Training Resources” section to find the link.

Also, save the link – *learn.metr.com* – as a bookmark in your preferred web browser. If you have the existing link saved as a bookmark, please replace it with the new link.

Thank you for your continued partnership.