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Greetings,

Metrc, in collaboration with the Colorado Marijuana Enforcement Division (MED), is pleased to announce new functionality in the Metrc system to support the accurate reporting of Decontamination of marijuana plant material that previously failed testing. This enhancement will be available beginning February 2, 2026.

Under Colorado Marijuana Rules, licensees are permitted to **Remediate** or **Decontaminate** marijuana plant material that does not pass certain contaminant tests.

Decontamination means the process of neutralization or removal of dangerous substances or other contaminants from Regulated Marijuana without changing the product type of Regulated Marijuana following a failed test.

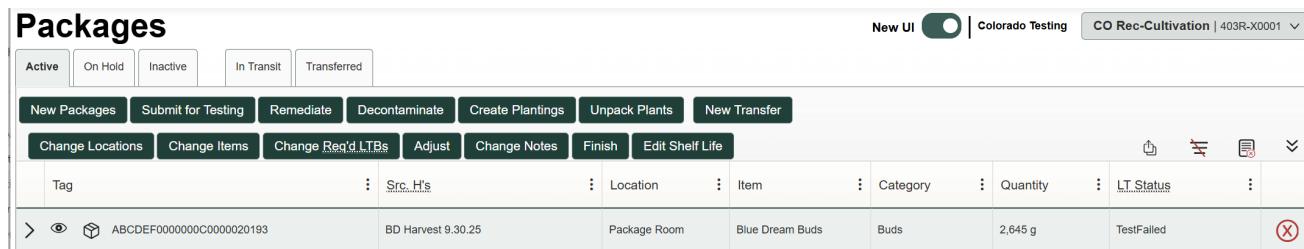
Remediation means the process of neutralization or removal of dangerous substances or other contaminants from Regulated Marijuana while changing the product type of the regulated marijuana following a failed test.

Currently, only a “Remediate” button is available in Metrc. As part of this system enhancement:

- **Cultivation facilities** will see a Decontaminate Button in the Packages grid within Metrc and the Remediate Button will be removed.
- **Manufacturing facilities** will continue to have access to the Remediation functionality.

Decontamination in Metrc

If a facility intends to Decontaminate Regulated Marijuana that has failed state required testing, they should record the Decontamination performed directly in Metrc.

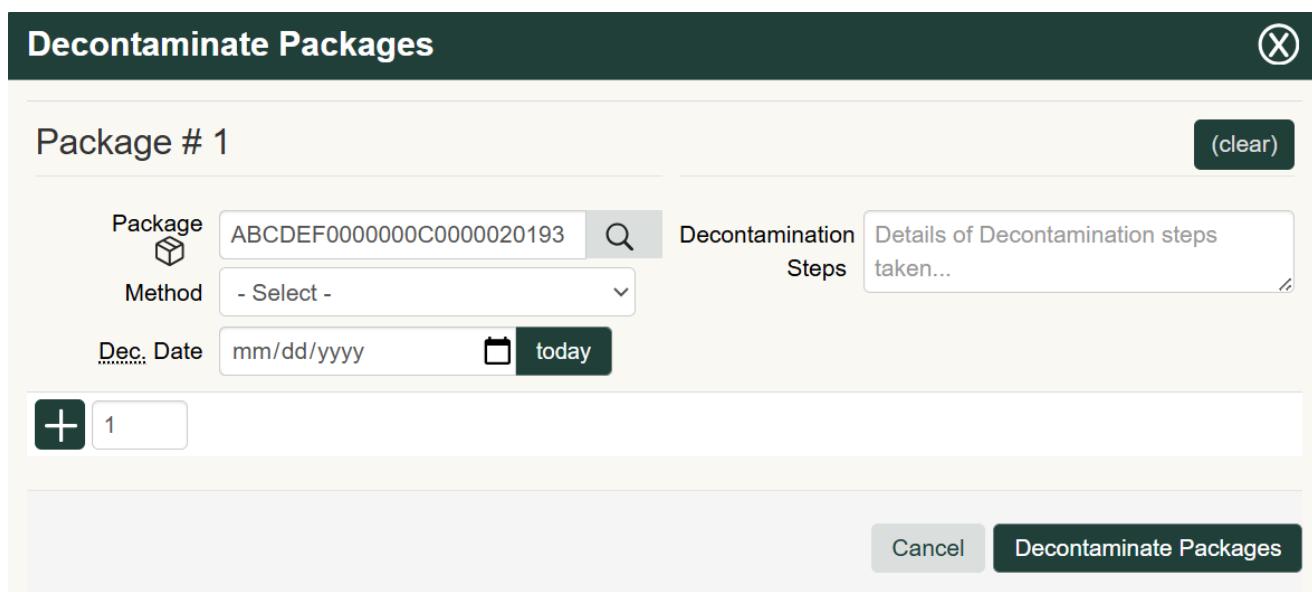


The screenshot shows the Metrc 'Packages' interface. At the top, there are buttons for 'Active', 'On Hold', 'Inactive', 'In Transit', and 'Transferred'. To the right are 'New UI' (switched on), 'Colorado Testing' (switched on), and a dropdown for 'CO Rec-Cultivation | 403R-X0001'. Below these are buttons for 'New Packages', 'Submit for Testing', 'Remediate', 'Decontaminate', 'Create Plantings', 'Unpack Plants', and 'New Transfer'. Further down are buttons for 'Change Locations', 'Change Items', 'Change Req'd.LTBs', 'Adjust', 'Change Notes', 'Finish', and 'Edit Shelf Life'. The main area is a table with columns: Tag, Src. H's, Location, Item, Category, Quantity, LT Status, and a delete icon. A single row is selected, showing 'ABCDEF000000C0000020193' as the Tag, 'BD Harvest 9.30.25' as the Src. H's, 'Package Room' as the Location, 'Blue Dream Buds' as the Item, 'Buds' as the Category, '2,645 g' as the Quantity, 'TestFailed' as the LT Status, and a red X icon as the delete button.

Figure 1: Test Failed Package

To record that the material has been Decontaminated, select the related package and click on the “Decontaminate” button. In the Decontaminate Packages action window, select the Method, Date, Steps taken for Decontamination and select “Decontaminate Packages”

Important: Decontamination must be performed on the entire Production Batch, not just a portion of it.



The screenshot shows the 'Decontaminate Packages' window. At the top, it says 'Decontaminate Packages' and has a close button. Below is a table with a single row. The first column is 'Package' with a cube icon and the value 'ABCDEF000000C0000020193'. The second column is 'Method' with a dropdown menu showing '- Select -'. The third column is 'Dec. Date' with a date input field showing 'mm/dd/yyyy' and a calendar icon, with 'today' highlighted. To the right of the table are 'Decontamination Steps' and a text area 'Details of Decontamination steps taken...'. At the bottom are 'Cancel' and 'Decontaminate Packages' buttons.

Figure 2: Decontaminate Packages Window

Once submitted the status will update to “Decontaminated” and the steps taken during Decontamination will be displayed in the history of the product.

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Packages

The screenshot shows the Metrc 'Packages' interface. At the top, there are buttons for 'New UI' (switched on), 'Colorado Testing', and a dropdown for 'CO Rec-Cultivation | 403R-X0001'. Below this is a toolbar with buttons for 'New Packages', 'Submit for Testing', 'Remediate', 'Decontaminate', 'Create Plantings', 'Unpack Plants', and 'New Transfer'. Another toolbar below it includes 'Change Locations', 'Change Items', 'Change Req'd LTBs', 'Adjust', 'Change Notes', 'Finish', and 'Edit Shelf Life'. The main area is a table with columns: Tag, Src. H's, Location, Item, Category, Quantity, LT Status, and a more options column. A single row is visible: Tag is 'ABCDEF0000000C0000020193', Src. H's is 'BD Harvest 9.30.25', Location is 'Package Room', Item is 'Blue Dream Buds', Category is 'Buds', Quantity is '2,645 g', LT Status is 'Decontaminated', and the more options column contains a red 'X' icon.

Tag	Src. H's	Location	Item	Category	Quantity	LT Status	
> ABCDEF0000000C0000020193	BD Harvest 9.30.25	Package Room	Blue Dream Buds	Buds	2,645 g	Decontaminated	

Figure 3: Decontaminated Package Status

Following Decontamination, the package must be retested in accordance with state requirements. Once retesting is complete, the package status will update to either "Retest Passed" or "Retest Failed," based on the outcome and results reported by the Testing Facility.

Packages

The screenshot shows the Metrc 'Packages' interface, identical to Figure 3 but with a different status. The LT Status column now shows 'RetestPassed' and the red 'X' icon is replaced by a green checkmark icon in the more options column.

Tag	Src. H's	Location	Item	Category	Quantity	LT Status	
> ABCDEF0000000C0000020193	BD Harvest 9.30.25	Package Room	Blue Dream Buds	Buds	2,640 g	RetestPassed	

Figure 4: "Retest Passed" Package Status following retesting

Transferring to a Third Party for Microbial Control Step or Decontamination

As part of this effort, to more transparently track the transfer of Regulated Marijuana, the MED will add Microbial Control Steps transfer types to the system on February 2, 2025.

Microbial Control Step means a post-harvest process that is intended to reduce the presence of microbial contaminants in a Production Batch that is performed prior to testing consistently on all Harvest Batches or Production Batches of a particular type, strain, or intended use, as documented in the Regulated Marijuana Business's Standard Operating Procedures.

When transferring marijuana for **Microbial Control Step (prior to testing)**, **Decontamination (after a failed test)**, or **Remediation (after a failed test)**, facilities must use the appropriate, specific transfer types in Metrc to ensure regulatory compliance and proper tracking.

Below are the transfer types based on the relationship between the facilities:

- **Affiliated (Microbial Control Step):**
Use this option when transferring products for Microbial Control Step (prior to testing) between facilities under common ownership or control.
- **Unaffiliated (Microbial Control Step):**
Use this option when transferring products for Microbial Control Step (prior to testing) to a separate, non-affiliated licensed facility.
- **Affiliated (Decontamination):**
Use this option when transferring products for Decontamination (after a failed test) between facilities under common ownership or control.
- **Unaffiliated (Decontamination):**
Use this option when transferring products for Decontamination (after a failed test) to a separate, non-affiliated licensed facility.
- **Affiliated (Remediation):**
Use this option when transferring products for Remediation from a Cultivation to a Manufacturer under common ownership or control.
- **Unaffiliated (Remediation):**
Use this option when transferring products for Remediation from a Cultivation to a separate, non-affiliated Manufacturer.

These transfer types should be used to ensure proper tracking and compliance within Metrc. For more information on Transfer, Decontamination, and Remediation requirements, please refer to the Colorado Marijuana Rules (1 CCR 212-3).

Need More Information?

For detailed rules on Transfers, Microbial Control, or Decontamination, visit the Colorado Department of Revenue Marijuana Enforcement Division (MED) [website](#).

Metrc resources

Need help getting started? We've put together training materials in [Metrc Learn](#) and Metrc Expert to make sure you're set up for success.

Metrc Support – If you have any questions or need additional support, please contact Metrc Support at [Support.Metrc.com](#).

Thank you for your continued partnership.