Purchase Limits in South Dakota

South Dakota utilizes a rolling limit that allows for the purchase of three ounces of flower over a 14-day period. The 14-day rolling limit is tracked when medical cannabis is physically dispensed to a Patient or Caregiver. The amounts purchased are subtracted from the three-ounce total. Once 14 days have elapsed from the date of a purchase, that specific purchase amount is added back to the three-ounce limit. This same process applies for each purchase made by the Patient or Caregiver. For an example of how rolling limits work, see below.

Date	Amount Available at the Beginning of the Day	Total Purchased	Amount Available at the End of the Day	Replenish Date
9/1	3 Ounces	0.5 Ounce	2.5 Ounces	9/15
9/3	2.5 Ounces	1 Ounce	1.5 Ounces	9/17
9/10	1.5 Ounces	1 Ounce	0.5 Ounce	9/24
9/15	1 Ounce	1 Ounce	0 Ounce	9/29

In the table example above, the purchase and 14-day rolling limit works as follows:

- **9/1 purchase of 0.5 ounce**: This amount is deducted from the patient's three-ounce allotment. If no other purchases are made in 14 days, the 0.5 ounce will be added back 14 days later, or on 9/15, to bring their limit back to 3-ounces.

- **9/3 purchase of 1.0 ounce:** Since this purchase was made within the initial 14-day rolling limit, it is also deducted from the patient's three-ounce rolling allotment (limit), bringing the new remaining available total to 1.5 ounces.

- **9/10 purchase of 1.0 ounce:** Since this purchase was made within the initial 14-day allotment and does not exceed the limit, it is deducted from the patient's three-ounce limit, bringing the new remaining available total to 0.5 ounces.

- In this case, the patient wishes to purchase another ounce prior to 9/15, however, only 0.5 ounces remain available. This means the patient must wait until the 0.5 ounce from their first purchase on 9/1 is added back to their 14-day rolling limit on 9/15, which is why the patient was able to make the 1-ounce purchase on that date.

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