



To: All New York State Adult-Use Licensees
From: NYS Office of Cannabis Management
Date: December 10, 2025
Subject: **STS Update: Detailed Metrc Timeline for Retail Licensees**

Dear Licensee,

The Office would like to share a more detailed Seed-to-Sale implementation timeline as a reference for all licensees.

First, all retail licensees **must be credentialed in Metrc by December 17.**

Second, retail licensees will have until **January 12, 2026** to enter all existing inventory into the Metrc system. This will allow retailers to continue sales of existing inventory if a retailer was unable to get their existing inventory information into Metrc by December 17.

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December 17, 2025:

All active licensees—cultivators, processors, distributors, retailers, microbusinesses, registered organizations, and labs—whether currently operational or not, must be credentialed in Metrc.

To become credentialed into the Metrc system:

- A business owner or administrator must complete the [New York New Business Fundamentals Training](#) in [Metrc Learn](#).
- After completing the training, Metrc’s credentialing team will send login credentials.
- The designated administrator must log in and set up the business account, then add additional employees as needed.

Inventory requirements by December 17:

- **Cultivators, processors, distributors, and labs** must have **all existing inventory** entered into Metrc.
- **Microbusinesses** must have all existing inventory at their **cultivation, processing, or distribution facilities** entered into Metrc.

January 12, 2026:

Retail facilities, including retail dispensaries and microbusiness locations performing retail activities, must have all existing inventory entered into Metrc by this date.



Additional Reminders:

- The deadline for **all retail licensees to be credentialed** in Metrc remains **December 17, 2025**.
- Retail facilities must purchase Package UIDs and associate all existing inventory to a Package UID by **January 12, 2026**.
 - **Retail ID Enforcement Schedule:**
 - **December 17, 2025** – Retail Item IDs are required for transfers **from Processors to Distributors**.
 - **February 28, 2026** – Retail Item IDs are required for transfers from **Distributors to Dispensaries**.
- Retailers are **not required** to purchase Retail Item IDs and may receive inventory from Distributors **without Retail Item IDs on each unit until February 28, 2026**.
- Retailers should continue working with their **third-party integrators** to enter existing inventory information into Metrc by **January 12, 2026**. Retailers are encouraged to complete this step as soon as they can.
- Retailers must continue submitting **weekly inventory reports** to OCM via the portal until further notice.

Important Considerations for Retailers Without Existing Inventory in Metrc by December 17

Retailers may continue selling **existing inventory** after December 17; however, they **may not sell any inventory acquired after December 17** until **all** inventory has been entered into Metrc.

- To **receive new inventory after December 17**, retailers must already be credentialed in Metrc.
- Retailers should continue collaborating with their third-party integrators to ensure accurate reporting throughout the transition.

Please refer to the detailed timeline for other upcoming key implementation dates. If you have any questions, email STS@ocm.ny.gov.

Thank you,
NYS Office of Cannabis Management