



# RESEARCH REPORT



CANNABIS CONSUMER  
SYNTHETIC PRODUCT STUDY

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better serve Michigan consumers  
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**April 24, 2025 – Michigan** — The Michigan for Safe Cannabis Coalition (MiSCCo) has announced the results of its first statewide audit of distillate vape products sold at licensed provisioning centers in Michigan. **The results are troubling.**

### About MiSCCo

MiSCCo is a registered non-profit coalition of cannabis owners and operators working to ensure product safety, promote regulatory transparency, and advocate for stronger protections against unregulated and potentially harmful products. By collaborating with industry leaders, regulators, and policymakers, MiSCCo aims to safeguard public health and preserve the integrity of Michigan's legal cannabis market.

### Current MiSCCo Members:

Arcanna, Cannalense, Choice, Crude Boys, Drip, Firehouse, Glorious, Harbor Farms, Infinite Chemical Analysis Labs, Market, Redbud Roots, Touchstone Mfg, Trap House, and Vapin Ape.

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### Audit Overview

MiSCCo's initial audit focused on distillate vapes across 22 of Michigan's top 30 selling brands according to Headset data. Two SKUs were selected from each brand, with one brand having three SKUs selected, for a total of 45 SKUs. All products were produced after October 1, 2024, ensuring compliance with new MCT oil regulations.

### Sampling Process:

- Products were purchased directly from licensed provisioning centers.
- All samples were verified, sealed, photographed, logged, and tested under strict chain of custody procedures.
- 10g of each SKU was collected: 5g for full Michigan compliance testing + synthetic THC/PTSA analysis; 5g retained as backup in tamper-evident packaging.



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## Audit Results

### MiSCCo Members

Five member brands - **Vapin Ape, Drip, Crude Boys, Redbud Roots, and Trap House** - were included in this audit.

- **100% passed** all CRA regulatory tests
- **0% contained synthetic Δ9THC or PTSA**



Current & Proposed Regulations Pass Rate  
100%

What this result tells us is we know that future regulations are easily achievable by operators who are conducting proper business and is achievable at scale in the industry. These brands have been invited for membership and allowed to show this sticker on their products.





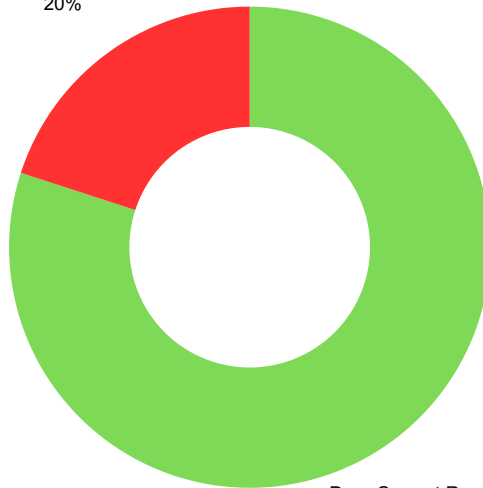
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### Non-Member Brands

From 35 SKU's across 17 non-member brands:

- **20% failed** current CRA-mandated testing
  - 14.3% contained MCT oil (now prohibited)
  - 11.4% exceeded legal limits for Delta-8 THC
  - One sample failed for **multiple pesticides** above regulatory thresholds

Fail Current Regulations  
20%



Pass Current Regulations  
80%

- **54.3%** of non-member samples were made with **synthetic Δ9 THC**

- Of these, **26.3% contained PTSA**, a synthetic processing chemical left in the final product.

Proper Oil  
46%



Synthetic Distillate  
54%



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## Summary & Next Steps

This audit confirmed that **all participating MiSCCo members exceeded state safety standards**, reinforcing their commitment to consumer health and product transparency. Conversely, a significant percentage of non-member products failed to meet basic legal requirements - raising public safety concerns.

**Non-member brands** were found to fail current regulations, and 65% of non-member brands found to use synthetic  $\Delta 9$  THC.

Moving forward, non-member brands that passed this audit will be invited to join the coalition and may display the MiSCCo certification sticker, signaling verified safety and compliance.

**Consumers are encouraged to look for the MiSCCo sticker** on cannabis products - a trusted symbol that the product has passed rigorous testing for quality and legality. Products lacking this certification may not meet state regulations or may include untested synthetic ingredients.

**MiSCCo believes in protecting the public health** of cannabis consumers in Michigan. All samples and data resulting in a failed audit have been reported to the CRA through the formal complaint portal. MiSCCo appreciates the willingness of the CRA to listen and we are hopeful that appropriate action is under way through their formal investigation process. As our group uncovers new information surrounding consumer health risks in cannabis products, MiSCCo will be leading the charge in ensuring Michigan consumers have safer, cleaner options for cannabis consumption.

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**For full audit results or to inquire about membership, visit [www.MiSCCo.org](http://www.MiSCCo.org) or contact us at [Info@MiSCCo.org](mailto:Info@MiSCCo.org).**

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