

UNDERSTANDING TENNESSEE'S UPDATED KRATOM LAW

IN EFFECT AS OF JULY 1, 2026

WHAT THE LAW CHANGES



- It is now illegal to:
 - Possess, manufacture, deliver, or sell kratom and kratom derived products or compounds (mitragynine and 7-hydroxymitragynine).

CRIMINAL CHARGES



- The possession of kratom or its active compounds is a Class A misdemeanor.
- The manufacture and possession with intent are both Class C felonies, with an enhancement to Class B felony if involving a minor.

DRUG TESTING



- Doctors are required to test patients for kratom or its active compounds if they suspect drug overdose or neonatal abstinence syndrome.

DRUG-FREE WORKPLACES



- Adds kratom and its active compounds to the list of drugs included in drug-free workplace policies.

ALCOHOL & DRUG TREATMENT



- State-licensed alcohol and drug treatment facilities must require abstinence from kratom or its active compounds.

MEDICAL EXAMINER



- Medical examiner must test for presence of kratom or its active compounds if conducting an autopsy on someone they suspect died from drug overdose.