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Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems and Kratom Products Enforcement

OCTOBER 7, 2026 (LINCOLN, NEB.) – The Nebraska Department of Revenue (DOR) reminds Nebraska wholesalers and retailers that only certified electronic nicotine delivery systems (ENDS) and kratom products are allowed to be sold in Nebraska. The [Nebraska Directory of Certified Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems Manufacturers](#) and [Nebraska Directory of Certified Kratom Manufacturers](#) which list certified ENDS and kratom products that can be sold in Nebraska are available on the DOR's website.

Enforcement of both directories began January 1, 2026. From January 1, 2026, through June 30, 2026, DOR conducted 1,081 inspections of ENDS retailers and wholesalers and 115 inspections of kratom product retailers and wholesalers. The inspections showed that most locations had no issues. The inspection activity resulted in 171 violations for uncertified ENDS and 39 violations for uncertified kratom products during the first six months of enforcement. Enforcement activity is ongoing.

Retailers and wholesalers found in violation of selling or offering uncertified ENDS and kratom products for sale are subject to civil monetary penalties. ENDS retailers and wholesalers may have their local wholesale/retail tobacco license suspended or revoked by the DOR and uncertified ENDS seized. The DOR encourages retailers to work with their wholesaler to avoid issues with ENDS and kratom and return uncertified ENDS and kratom to their wholesaler immediately.

For further details on penalties, see the [Contraband Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems \(ENDS\) Guidance and Penalty Schedule](#) and [Kratom Products Guidance and Penalty Schedule](#).

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