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Re: Production of Hand Sanitizer and Sanitizer by licensed B.C. liquor manufacturers (including Breweries, Land-based Wineries, Commercial Wineries, Craft Distilleries and Commercial Distilleries)

LDB Requirements

- All alcohol used in the production of hand sanitizer and sanitizer by any B.C. liquor manufacturer must be fully accounted for and tracked via records. If requested, these records must clearly indicate the supplier of the alcohol used in the production of hand sanitizer and sanitizer, the volume of alcohol produced/received and whether all of the alcohol was used.
 - If all of the alcohol was not used in the production of hand sanitizer and sanitizer, the records should clearly indicate whether the excess was destroyed or used for another purpose.
- Craft distilleries may procure Neutral Grain Spirit (NGS) or other alcohol strictly for the production of hand sanitizer and sanitizer. This NGS/alcohol may not be used to produce any alcohol beverage products.
- Any craft distillery that chooses to use sugar in distilling for hand sanitizer and sanitizer production is permitted to do so. It is expected that the inventory and its use is accounted for, and that the sugar is not fermented to produce any alcohol beverage products.
- A distillery (craft or commercial) can procure kegged beer from a brewery to distill this alcohol to make it into hand sanitizer and sanitizer. It is expected that both the brewery and distillery accounts for this movement in inventory. This would include any alcohol that has already been packaged into a keg format or bulk alcohol.
- The production of hand sanitizer and sanitizer at a licensed location is only permitted for as long as prescribed by the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch (LCRB).
 - Craft distilleries and breweries acquiring NGS or other alcohol for the purpose of producing hand sanitizer and sanitizer must immediately



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dispose of any leftover NGS/alcohol once this time period has ended.

- Wineries may keep any leftover NGS/alcohol for future use in fortifying wine product.
- As noted above, records should clearly indicate whether any excess NGS/alcohol was destroyed or used for another purpose.
- B.C. liquor manufacturers that plan to produce hand sanitizer and sanitizer must notify the LDB via email at regemail@bcldb.com.

For more information, please refer to the LDB's policy, which is attached. It can also be found on the Policies page of the LDB's Wholesale Operations website at <https://wholesale.bcldb.com/resources/policies>. Please note that all B.C. liquor manufacturers involved in the production of hand sanitizer and sanitizer are responsible for meeting all other non-liquor requirements required by other entities relating to health and safety, local government business licensing and insurance requirements. If you have questions about LDB's specific requirements, please contact LDB Finance Wholesale, Regulatory and Compliance at regemail@bcldb.com.

Sincerely,

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