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**To:** Third Party Warehouses  
**From:** LDB Wholesale Operations  
**Re:** SFCR Traceability Regulation

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Further to the [information bulletin](#) published by LDB Wholesale Operations in November 2019, under the amended [Safe Food for Canadians Regulations \(SFCR\)](#), third party warehouses will be required to have a documented traceability system in place by **July 15, 2020**.

As part of this system, third-party warehouses will be required to trace products from where they were sourced (one step back) and to whom the products were provided (one step forward). In the event of a recall, the Canadian Food Inspection Agency ("CFIA") will require your traceability documents within 24 hours of CFIA making the request.

In addition, SFCR require third-party warehouses to comply with traceability-specific labelling requirements to allow customers to effectively identify whether a particular product is subject to a recall. For more information about what you need to do to comply with the traceability requirements in the SFCR, please visit the [CFIA website](#).

In addition, in the event that a quality control issue is identified, LDB will require third-party warehouses to provide the following information, in a timely manner:

- LDB Purchase Order number
- The lot code(s) affected
- Number of cases per affected lot code

This information can be requested any day of the week, including weekends and public holidays.

**We will be working closely with third-party warehouses to implement an annual, internal end-to-end audit for traceability documentation and labelling.** As these details are finalized, Finance-Regulatory, will be reaching out to provide additional information.

We remind you that LDB vendors and customers are required to comply with all applicable laws, which includes all applicable regulatory requirements if they wish to do business with us. While the CFIA is encouraging compliance by the due date, their [information notice from April 7, 2020](#) states they will not prioritize compliance activities associated with the July 15, 2020 coming into force of the SFCR as they recognize that industry is prioritizing the health and safety of its employees while working hard to ensure Canada's food supply remains reliable and safe for Canadians. Any changes to the CFIA's prioritization of these compliance activities will be announced with adequate lead time once the situation allows.

For further information, please contact CFIA [directly](#). Thank you for your compliance.

LDB Liquor Wholesale