



September 23, 2021

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

LDB Requirements

- Starting October 1, 2021 and each month thereafter, all alcohol used in the production of hand sanitizer by any B.C. liquor manufacturer must be fully accounted for and tracked via records.
- Craft distilleries are required to report neutral grain spirit (NGS) inventory levels to the LDB (via email at regemail@bcldb.com) in litres, including amounts purchased, amounts used in production of sanitizer or hand sanitizer, and amounts remaining in inventory, on a monthly basis while this policy remains in effect.
- If requested, these records must clearly indicate the supplier of the alcohol used in the production of hand sanitizer, the volume of alcohol produced/received and whether all of the alcohol was used.
 - If not all of the alcohol was used in the production of hand 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. This NGS/alcohol may not be used to produce any alcohol beverage products.
- The production of hand 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 must immediately 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.



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- 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 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 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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