

Date: June 23, 2021

To: All Licensees
All LCRB Staff
All Industry Associations
All Local governments, Indigenous Nations and Police agencies

Re: Extending Authorization for Distilleries, Breweries & Wineries to manufacture, package, sell and donate alcohol-based sanitizer and hand sanitizer

General Manager Authority

Under Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation (LCLR), s. 30, the General Manager of the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch (LCRB) may authorize licensed manufacturing establishments to be used for activities not otherwise authorized under the licence or the LCLR.

Extension of Authorization

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic and to continue supporting industry with increased opportunities to generate revenue, while also supporting the production of essential health and safety products, the General Manager is **extending the authorization** for brewery licence holders, winery licence holders, and distillery licence holders to use their establishments to manufacture and/or package, sell or donate alcohol-based sanitizer and hand sanitizer until **September 30, 2021**.

See Policy Directives 20-08, 20-09, 20-10, 20-12 and 20-28 for further information on this authorization.

Explanation

This authorization is provided in the context of the provincial public health emergency related to COVID-19. It will support the continued supply and distribution of sanitizer and hand sanitizer products and provides additional support to liquor manufacturers during the pandemic.

This authorization will be kept under review in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, provincial public health emergency and British Columbia's Restart Plan.

Further Information

Further information regarding liquor and cannabis regulation and licensing in British Columbia is available on the LCRB website at

<http://www.gov.bc.ca/liquorregulationandlicensing>

If you have any questions regarding these changes, please contact the LCRB toll free in Canada at 1-866-209-2111 or 250 952-5787 if calling from the Victoria area.

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Original signed by

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