

# Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch POLICY DIRECTIVE

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To: All Licensees

All LCRB Staff

All Industry Associations

All Local governments, Indigenous Nations and Police agencies

Re: Sale of logo items in Licensee Retail Stores and Wine Stores

### **Current Policy**

Licensee Retail Stores (LRS) and Wine Stores (WS) are permitted to buy clothing and novelties – such as shirts, caps, key chains, etc. – with the name or brand of a particular liquor or liquor manufacturer at fair market value, and re-sell them to customers or employees. These items may display the name of the LRS or WS.

# **New Policy**

LRS and WS licensees are now authorized, by term and condition, to also sell clothing and novelties – such as caps, key chains, etc - featuring only the establishment name and logo.

# **Policy Clarification**

Please note clarifying language has been added to the Manufacturer Terms and Conditions handbook regarding the sale of these items in manufacturer on-site stores.

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## **Further Information**

Further information regarding liquor and cannabis control and licensing in British Columbia is available on the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch (LCRB) website at http://www.gov.bc.ca/lcrb.

If you have any questions regarding these changes, please email the LCRB at LCRBLiquorPolicy@gov.bc.ca.

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