

Date: March 12, 2021

To: Liquor primary and Food primary licensees  
All LCRB Staff  
All Industry Associations  
All local government, Indigenous Nations and police agencies

**Re: Permanent authority for the sale and delivery of packaged liquor for off-site consumption with the purchase of a meal for take-out or delivery.**

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### **Current Policy**

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, in March 2020 the Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation (LCLR) was amended to temporarily authorize liquor primary and food primary licensees to sell packaged liquor of all types in conjunction with the sale of a meal that is for take-out or delivery.

This authorization is due to expire on March 31, 2021.

For more information, see Policy Directives [20-05](#), [20-19](#) and [20-27](#).

### **New Policy**

The temporary authorization described in Policy Directive 20-27 that was set to expire on March 31, 2021 has been made permanent.

This authority is subject to terms and conditions. The delivery of liquor under this authority is subject to the LCLR and terms and conditions.

For the purposes of the terms and conditions, the word "unopened" in the regulation means packaged in the container the manufacturer sold the product in.

### **Further Information**

Further information regarding liquor and cannabis regulation and licensing in British

Columbia is available on the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch website at <http://www.gov.bc.ca/liquorregulationandlicensing>.

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

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