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Alcohol Container Registrations

Liquor agency container self-registration delayed until early 2024

TRANSITION TO CONTAINER SELF-REGISTRATION DELAYED UNTIL EARLY 2024

Due to a delay in the development of the Beverage Container Management Board's (BCMB) new container registration portal, the planned fall transition to liquor agency container self-registration has been delayed until early 2024.

As announced in March this year, the new process will require all liquor agencies to register alcohol containers directly with the BCMB through its new registration portal. AGLC will no longer be doing this on behalf of liquor agencies, as it currently does. Detailed information on the process change can be found on the <u>BCMB's website</u>.

MIGRATION OF CONTAINER INFORMATION

All existing, active alcohol container registration information will be transitioned from AGLC to the BCMB's new registration system and linked with the liquor agent account (registrant account) in the BCMB's database.

There will be no need for liquor agencies to re-enter existing account information or container registrations that were completed on their behalf by AGLC.

During an account pre-registration and testing period in October, liquor agencies will review their accounts and container registrations to confirm they are complete.

Liquor agencies will then begin container self-registration for all **NEW** container registrations early next year.

Training on the new registration process will be provided by webinar in January 2024. A portal user instruction guide will also be available.

SYSTEM TESTING

In September, all non-alcoholic manufacturers (who already register their containers directly with the BCMB) will transition to the new portal in advance of liquor agencies. This transition will assist with system testing ahead of liquor agencies using the registration portal.

NEXT STEPS

- Keep informed.
- Read the <u>questions and answers</u> that provide more details.
- Watch for updates this fall on the **January** webinar dates and how to sign up.

QUESTIONS?

AGLC and the BCMB are working together to ensure a coordinated, seamless and efficient transition. The BCMB will work closely with liquor agencies throughout the transition and afterward to provide support with this process change.



Questions about container registrations can be sent to: registrations@bcmb.ab.ca



Questions about alcohol product registrations can be sent to: product@aglc.ca



