



DATE: July 28, 2023

TO: Depot Network

RE: **Alcohol Container Registrations – New Process Delayed Until Early 2024**

As outlined in a Depot Notice dated March 31, 2023, alcohol container registrations will transition from Alberta Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis (AGLC) to the BCMB as part of our project to update the beverage container registration system – now known as the Stakeholder Information Management System (SIMS). Liquor agencies will be required to register new containers directly with the BCMB through its new registration portal.

The transition for alcohol beverage container registrations was planned for the fall of 2023; however, the transition has been delayed until early 2024.

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. The transition to liquor agency self-registration for containers will then take place early next year.

As mentioned in the March 31 Depot Notice, other than transitioning to the new registration portal, **the change in process for liquor agencies has no direct impact on depots.** However, the alcohol registration data in the new system will be improved and consistent.

[Click here](#) for more information on the transition, including a comprehensive set of Frequently Asked Questions. As the project moves forward, the BCMB will continue to provide updates. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at registrations@bcmb.ab.ca

