

May 15, 2024

To: Industry Associations (ABLE, RASAS)

From: LDB Wholesale Operations

Re: Important update re Single-use plastic ring carriers

Please share this notice with your membership.

As previously communicated, the Government of Canada's [Single-use Plastics Prohibition Regulations \(SUPPR\)](#) is being implemented in stages, and the **prohibition of the sale of beverage alcohol packaged in single-use plastic ring carriers will come into force as of June 20, 2024.**

Please note that there are many alternative products already being used by vendors including cardboard boxes, rigid plastic snap-on carriers or fiber-based carriers. Only the single-use flexible ring carriers pictured below are affected by the regulation.



In preparation for the June 20, 2024 deadline, the BC Liquor Distribution Branch (LDB) will be ceasing the distribution of flexible ring-packaged products as of May 24, 2024 and would like to advise wholesale customers that **returns on flexible ring-packaged products will not be accepted after May 24.**

We appreciate your cooperation as we work together to be in compliance with SUPPR.

For any questions regarding this notice, please contact the Wholesale Customer Centre at wholesalehelp@bclldb.com.

For more information on SUPPR, please refer to the July 18, 2022 notice posted in the news section of the LDB Wholesale Operations website: [Single-use Plastic Prohibition: Plastic Ring Carriers](#).