



# News Release

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## 2020 Oregon Bottle Bill Data Due April 1st

### Businesses need to report annual sales and returns of redeemable beverage containers

**Portland, OR** -- The Oregon Liquor Control Commission is in the process of collecting data that reflects the sale and return of redeemable beverage containers during 2020. The Oregon Bottle Bill requires that every year certain businesses that sell redeemable containers to report their sales and return data to OLCC. Some businesses that sell redeemable beverage containers may not be aware of the reporting requirement.

This report includes the number of redeemable beverages that a business sold and the number of empty beverage container returns a business collected and refunded in 2020. Specific reporting details can be found in the [Informational letter on Bottle Bill Reporting Requirements](#) and [Annual Beverage Container Sales/Returns Report Form for CY 2020](#).

Businesses that are members of the Oregon Beverage Recycling Cooperative (OBRC) do not have to report this information directly to OLCC. OBRC collects this information from its members and provides a compilation of the data to the OLCC on behalf of its members.

Businesses that are **not** OBRC members must report beverage sales and empty container returns if in calendar year 2020 they:

- Sold redeemable beverages directly to retailers and/or;
- Sold the redeemable beverages they manufactured out of their taproom, tasting room, etc. and/or;
- Sold redeemable beverages online or through another direct to consumer delivery method without going through a distributor.

Businesses should **not** submit a report if they did not have reportable beverages for calendar year 2020.

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A business that has redeemable beverages to report, should complete and submit the report to [OLCC.BottleBill@oregon.gov](mailto:OLCC.BottleBill@oregon.gov) **no later than April 1, 2021**. Businesses that fail to report redeemable beverages by July 1, 2021 may be subject to significant penalties.

The following beverages are exempt and do not have a 10-cent Oregon refund value, so they must not be included in the reports:

- Distilled spirits
- Wine (including Cider over 8.5% ABV)
- Milk (both dairy and plant-based), but only if milk is listed as the first ingredient
- Drinkable non-beverages, like Infant Formula and Liquid Meal Replacements

In addition to reporting redeemable beverages to OLCC on the form, businesses must also register their beverages with OBRC at <https://registration.obrc.com/>.

Businesses having questions about Oregon's Bottle Bill reporting requirements should contact either OBRC at [ORBottleBillRegistration@obrc.com](mailto:ORBottleBillRegistration@obrc.com), or [OLCC.BottleBill@oregon.gov](mailto:OLCC.BottleBill@oregon.gov).

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