Marijuana-Infused Alcoholic Beverages

The OLCC may refuse to sell, or may prohibit any licensee from selling, any brand of alcoholic liquor which in its judgment contains adulterated ingredients, according to ORS 471.446(2).

Adding marijuana or marijuana items to alcoholic beverages adulterates the product. Therefore, unless allowed under the following exception, marijuana-infused alcoholic beverages are prohibited in Oregon.

**Industrial Hemp Exception**

Despite the prohibition, industrial hemp as that term is defined in ORS 571.300 may be added to alcoholic beverages provided at a minimum all of the following are met:

The formula has been approved by the U.S. Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB) in accordance with the Hemp Policy dated April 3, 2000. This policy requires an alcohol manufacturer to submit to the TTB a formula/statement of process and a lab analysis of the hemp component. According to the TTB, an approved formula for an alcoholic beverage containing hemp or a hemp component will be qualified by the TTB as follows:

- Finished product **cannot** contain a controlled substance.
- Hemp components must be tested in the U.S. for controlled substances each time it is imported and results must be maintained on the premises for inspections.
- A detailed description of the method of analysis used by the U.S. lab to test for controlled substance must be maintained at the premises.

All alcoholic beverage labels must comply with any TTB requirements.

Prior to the hemp-infused alcoholic beverage being manufactured in Oregon, imported into Oregon, or sold in Oregon, the OLCC licensee must:

- Provide proof to the OLCC that it has met both the TTB formula and labeling requirements (if any); and
- Receive approval from the OLCC. Please contact Kelly Routt at 503-872-5007 or kelly.routt@oregon.gov.

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