

## **South Fort Collins Sanitation District**

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## **RE:** BREWERY POLICY REQUIREMENTS

#### Welcome to the South Fort Collins Sanitation District service area!

Whether you're new to our service area, simply moving locations, or are an existing brewery, we are excited to welcome you in helping the South Fort Collins Sanitation District achieve our mission to protect the public health and our environment through efficient, high quality, and cost-effective reclamation and treatment of our water resources. As a brewery, you play a large role in helping keep our sewer system operating properly by utilizing best management practices.

As partners in protecting our sewer systems and treatment facility, we inspect all breweries to ensure they are adhering to the SFCSD Rules and regulations. We use various forms of documentation to prioritize inspections and inspect more frequently if required information is not received.

The South Fort Collins Sanitation District (SFCSD) would like to inform you of a recent policy change that will affect all breweries in the SFCSD Service Area. As a brewery within the SFCSD service area, you are subject to this new policy and its requirements. This new policy will take effect on 02/14/2024 and can be accessed digitally at <a href="https://www.sfcsd.net">www.sfcsd.net</a>.

The purpose of this policy is to minimize the loading of brewery waste from entering the Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) at the source. Brewery wastewaters contain pollutants such as excessive BOD, solids, high temperatures, high or low pH, solids that can contribute to sewer blockages, interfere with equipment and processes at the wastewater treatment plant and cause damage to infrastructure through corrosion.

As an owner/operator of a brewery in the SFCSD service area, you will be required to implement Best Management Practices (BMPs) to minimize the discharge of concentrated brewery wastes into the sanitary sewer system. The SFCSD Brewery & Fermented Beverage Policy has a list of BMPs that will help mitigate high concentrate waste from being discharged to the SFCSD collection system.

Attached to this letter is a copy of the SFCSD Brewery & Fermented Beverage Policy, Brewery & Fermented Beverage BMPs document, and a Supplementary Questionnaire that will need to be filled out (unless it has been previously completed and there are no new changes to your business) and returned to the SFCSD Pretreatment Department via certified mail or email.

If you have any questions regarding this policy, please do not hesitate to contact the Pretreatment Department at <a href="mailto:industrialpretreatment@sfcsd.net">industrialpretreatment@sfcsd.net</a>



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### **Inspections**

South Fort Collins Sanitation District performs regular inspections to ensure SOPs and BMPs are being implemented and used. During these inspections, staff will assess compliance with program requirements, including maintenance and best management practices at your brewery. The inspector will ask you for the most recent documentation of your establishment's compliance with the SFCSD's requirements.

- Keep records documenting the off-site disposal of solid waste(s) with a disposal /discharge log.
- Maintain records of date, time, temp, and pH of any discharges and any other information obtained pursuant to any monitoring activities.

Business owners are required to keep records of all maintenance and pumping activities for a *minimum of three* (3) years.

#### **Best Management Practices**

#### **NEVER**

- Put solids down the drain.
- Dispose of Off spec / Bad Batch product into SFCSD system without written approval from the district beforehand.
- Remove drain screens or covers.
- Discharge water/liquid over 120 degrees Fahrenheit.
- Discharge liquids with a pH below 5.5 or above 11.5.

#### **ALWAYS**

- Scrape solids into waste bin or disposal vessel.
- Clean spills with absorptive material and deposit in the trash.
- Check all floor drains for strainers and covers.
- Allow liquids to cool before being discharged.
- Train employees on BMPs.
- Monitor pH.



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### Failure to comply with requirements

Facilities that are found in violation shall be given written Notices of Non-compliance with a corrective action date. Typically, non-compliance violations must be completed within five (5) calendar days. Facilities with violations will be inspected again to verify any identified concerns have been remedied. Please be aware that you may incur re-inspection fees.

For more information regarding the Brewery & Fermented Beverage BMP Policy, please visit the South Fort Collins Sanitation District website (www.sfcsd.net), contact us at 970-226-2484 or <a href="mailto:Industrialpretreatment@sfcsd.net">Industrialpretreatment@sfcsd.net</a>

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Enclosures: SFCSD Brewery & Fermented Beverage Policy, Brewery & Fermented Beverage BMPs document, Supplementary Questionnaire