

B Corp Certification – Disclosure Questionnaire Documentation

Category: Alcohol

1. Business Model Description

1.1 Overview of Company Activities

Wood Foodservice Ltd distributes alcoholic beverages to commercial and institutional clients. The company does **not** manufacture, distil, brew, or bottle alcohol. Activities are limited to:

- Procurement from licensed suppliers
- Warehousing and storage
- Order fulfilment and distribution
- Compliance with alcohol policy and distribution regulations

1.2 Rationale for Disclosure

B Lab requires disclosure for companies that produce or distribute alcohol due to potential public health, regulatory, and social risks associated with the category. Although Wood Foodservice Ltd is not involved in consumer-facing promotion, distribution activities fall within this disclosure area.

2. Nature of Involvement with Alcohol

2.1 Types of Alcohol Products Distributed

Wood Foodservice Ltd sources and distributes:

- Beer and cider
- Wine and sparkling wines
- Spirits (where requested by clients)
- Premixed alcoholic beverages (if applicable)

2.2 Scope of Activities

The company's activities **do not include**:

- Production or formulation
- Branding or marketing to consumers
- Selling directly to end consumers

Its involvement is wholesale-only and tightly regulated.

3. Risks & Practices (Social, Health, and Regulatory)

3.1 Identified Risks

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- **Public health risks:** Alcohol misuse and harm, although the company does not market to consumers.
- **Regulatory risks:** Compliance with licensing, age-restricted product handling, and distribution regulations.
- **Reputational risks:** Association with suppliers or clients who violate alcohol laws.

3.2 Mitigation Measures

Wood Foodservice Ltd manages risks by:

- Sourcing only from fully licensed and compliant alcohol producers and distributors
- Training staff in legal compliance and alcohol-specific handling rules
- Avoiding any promotional activity that encourages alcohol consumption
- Ensuring robust internal controls for alcohol inventory management

4. Policies & Management Systems

4.1 Regulatory Compliance Policy

The company maintains procedures to ensure adherence to alcohol licensing and distribution requirements, including:

- Verification of supplier licences
- Documentation of transport and storage compliance
- Monitoring of regional alcohol regulations

4.2 Staff Training & Controls

Employees receive training in:

- Alcohol policy
- Restricted-product protocols
- Inventory safeguarding
- Recordkeeping and legal reporting obligations

4.3 Supplier Oversight

- Suppliers must demonstrate regulatory compliance
- Periodic checks ensure licensing and certifications remain valid
- High-risk discrepancies prompt corrective action or removal

5. Stakeholder Impacts

5.1 Worker Impacts

- Staff benefit from clear protocols minimizing legal and workplace risks
- Safety practices are maintained for handling alcoholic products

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5.2 Community Impacts

- The company does not market alcohol to consumers
- Distribution focuses on professional and controlled environments, reducing community impact risks

5.3 Environmental Impacts

Environmental impacts are minimal and limited to:

- Packaging waste generated by suppliers (e.g., glass bottles, cans)
- Transportation emissions related to distribution operations

6. Transparency & Public Accountability

Wood Foodservice Ltd is committed to transparent and responsible alcohol distribution. Key elements include:

- Maintaining documentation of supplier compliance
- Publishing statements on responsible distribution practices where applicable
- Disclosing the company's limited scope (wholesale only, no production or marketing)
- Ensuring information is available upon regulatory inquiry

7. Future Commitments & Continuous Improvement

Wood Foodservice Ltd commits to:

- Enhancing supplier audits related to legal compliance
- Increasing training frequency for staff handling alcohol
- Updating internal policies in line with changes to licensing laws
- Strengthening responsible distribution controls and documentation

8. Statement of Accuracy

To the best of the company's knowledge, the information provided here is accurate as of **25/11/2025** and reflects the company's involvement and compliance practices regarding alcohol distribution.

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