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Takeaways

- Be Kind
- Educate

Unruly Passenger Headlines



- **Flight attendants grapple with ‘unprecedented rise’ in unruly passengers.**
— *The Guardian*, August 9, 2021
- **85% of flight attendants have dealt with an unruly passenger in 2021**
— Survey
- **Nearly one in five flight attendants were subjected to a physical incident.**
— ABCNEWS, July 29, 2021
- **FAA Fines Against Unruly Passengers Reach \$1M**
— Thursday, August 19, 2021
- WASHINGTON – The U.S. Department of Transportation’s Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has proposed another \$531,545 in civil penalties against 34 airline passengers for alleged unruly behavior, bringing the total for 2021 to more than \$1 million. Since Jan. 1, 2021, **the FAA has received approximately 3,889 reports of unruly behavior** by passengers, including about 2,867 reports of passengers refusing to comply with the federal facemask mandate.

Driving Behavior Headlines

- **More Evidence That COVID-19 Is Making Us Bad Drivers Somehow**
— Jalopnik, December 23, 2020
- **Study shows bad driving habits are up due to coronavirus pandemic**
— KENS5, July 3, 2020
- **A Zendrive study shows speeding, phone usage while driving and accidents are up by more than 20%.**
- **FAA Fines Against Unruly Passengers Reach \$1M**
— Patch February, 11, 2021

The coronavirus pandemic has cleared roads across the country, making more room for speeders, reckless drivers and other traffic faux pas.





On-Premise Headlines

- **Millions of jobs and a shortage of applicants. Welcome to the new economy.**

— CNN Business, June 29, 2021

- **Study: 17% of US Restaurants Closed Due to COVID-19 Pandemic**

— Spectrum Local News, December 10, 2020

- **More than 110,000 eating and drinking establishments closed in 2020**

— *Fortune*, January 26, 2021

Takeaway #1

Be Kind



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Draught Beer Quality

D-R-A-U-G-H-T Beer

A Quality Beer is a beer that is responsibly produced using wholesome ingredients, consistent brewing techniques, and good manufacturing practices, which exhibits flavor characteristics that are consistently aligned with the brewer's and beer drinker's expectations.

Takeaway #2

Educate



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A close-up photograph of two beer glasses being clinked together. The glass on the left is filled with a light yellow beer, and the glass on the right is filled with a darker, reddish-brown beer. A hand wearing a black glove is holding the left glass. The background is a blurred, dark blue-grey color. The word "CHEERS!" is written in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters across the center of the image, overlapping the two glasses.

CHEERS!

BACK TO THE FUTURE 4

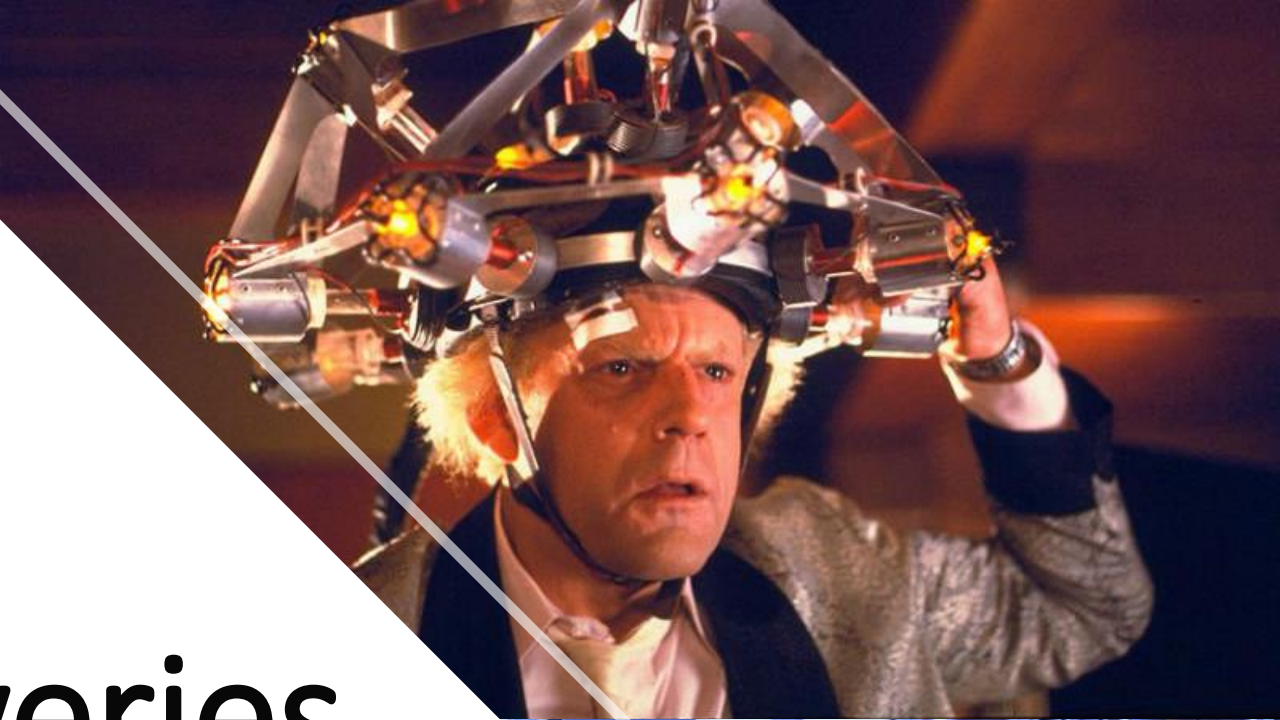
Draught is back!

Why Quality Draught beer is important to all Tiers of our business,
Brewery, Distributor, Retailer and Consumer.

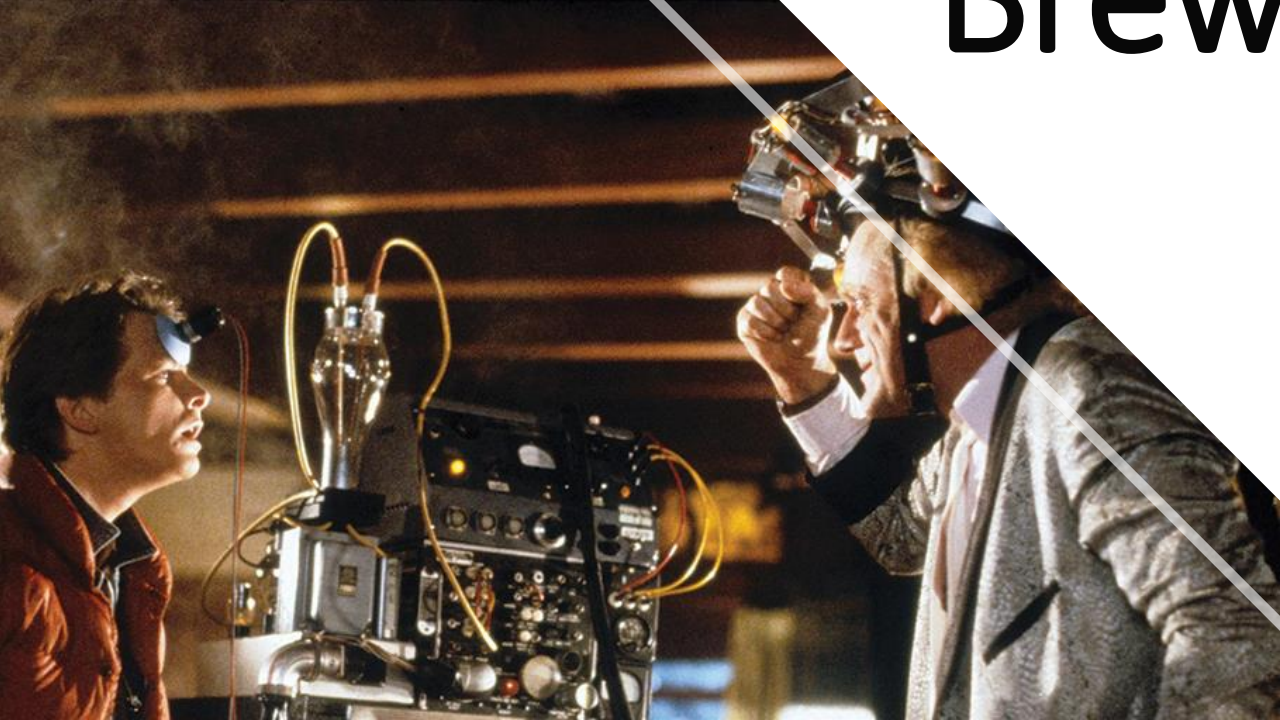


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Distributors





Retailers



Retailers



Consumers



Consumers



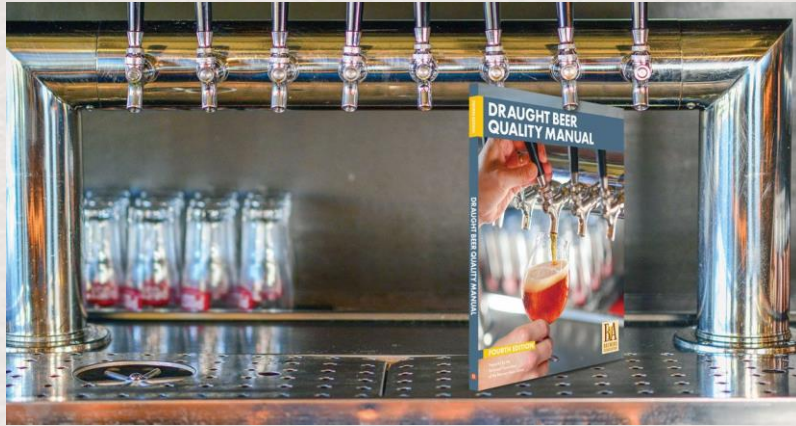
In this together for a
Great Story





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Trusted and useful Resources



THE END

OR IS IT THE BEGINNING?
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QUALITY TO ENSURE
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WHAT IS A FIELD QUALITY REP?

And who can be one?



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Field Quality Reps:
Anyone looking out for
your beer “in the wild”.

QUALITY BELONGS TO US ALL



- Sales
- Taproom Staff
- Distro Partners
- Drivers
- Leadership
- *Consumers*



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Training For Field Quality

- What should you include in your training module?
- Does everyone get the same training?
- What is the most effective format for your training?
- How do you manage updates and staying current?
- How do you develop training internal vs. external audiences?

FIELD QUALITY TOPICS



- Information on YOUR beer
- Tasting notes & stories
- Draught best practices
- General beer/style information
- Warning signs & solutions
- Conversation strategies

What does Field Quality look like?

- Conversations with key retail personnel
 - Understanding the tone and process of these conversations
- Building relationships based on expertise and trust across tiers
 - Brewery to Distro
 - Brewery to Retail
 - Distro to Retail
- Self-distribution vs. coordinating with wholesaler partners
 - Differences and similarities in approach
 - Retailers selling more beer - everyone wins

IMPROVING QUALITY ISSUES

What do you do when you discover a quality issue?

- Identify who found it
 - Brewery Rep, Distributor Rep, Driver, Someone else?
- Staff or facility issue?
- Verify & have a conversation
- Treat as an opportunity
 - Training/Education
- Keep a record & follow up!

HOW DO YOU ADDRESS QUALITY AT RETAIL?

And what should you focus on?

WHERE TO FOCUS

Start with basics and build

- Beer Knowledge
- Line Cleaning
- Glassware
- Product Dates & Storage
- Bar Tasks & Cleaning Procedures

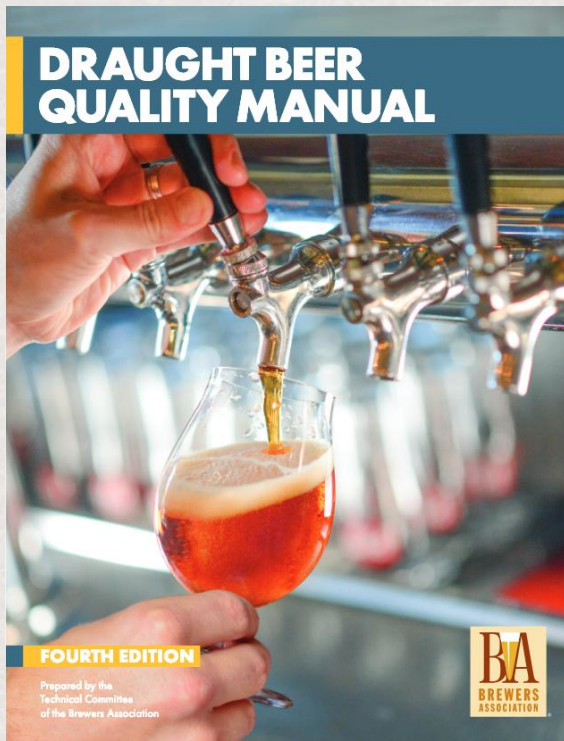
Tasting is Training



KNOW BEER



- KNOW YOUR OWN PRODUCTS!
- Know beer generally too!
- Inspire confidence in beer & process
- Information management
- Look at menus



RESOURCES



BA Resource Hub
Draught Beer Quality Manual
DBQM for Retailers – COMING SOON!!
Other Brewers



GLASSWARE



- Identifying non-beer clean glassware
- Watch pours
 - Yours and others – during service
 - No Frosty Mugs!
- Why is glassware important?
 - Appearance as part of the experience of drinking beer

BEER CLEAN GLASSWARE



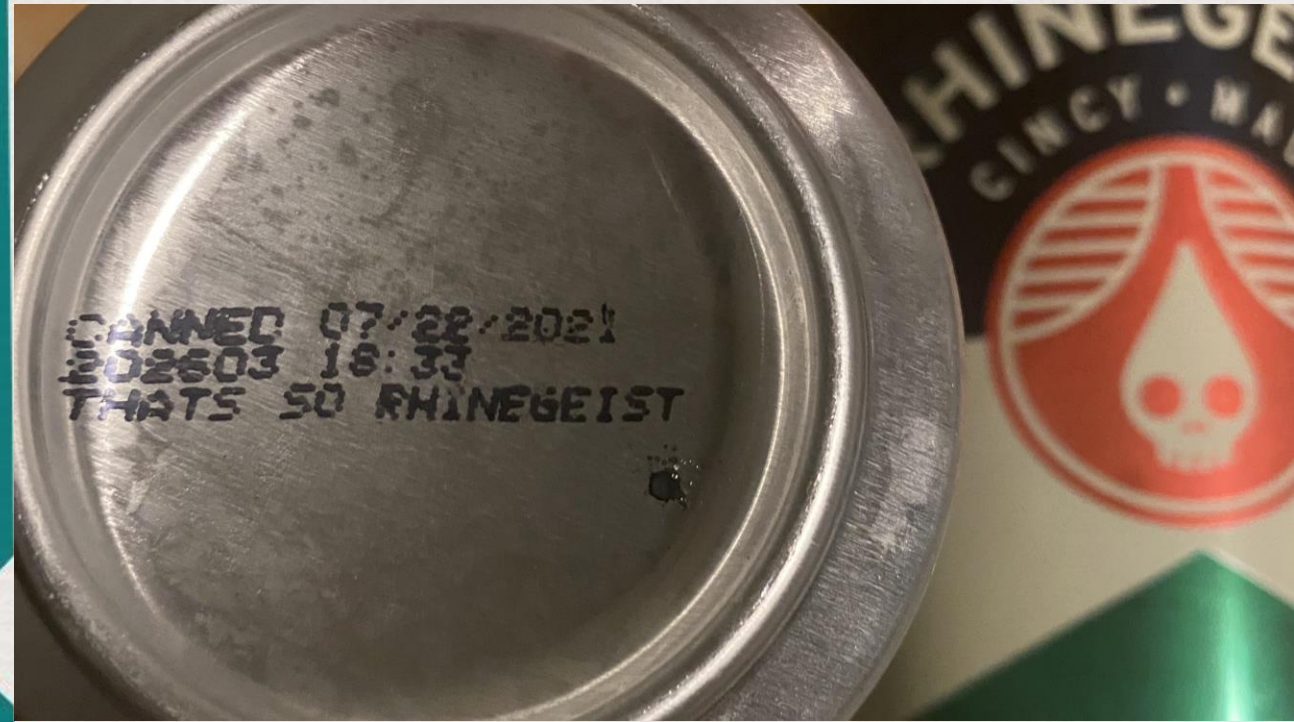
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DATE CODES & SHELF LIFE



- How to read your product codes
- Know your products!
- FIFO and its importance
- Check dates – not just your products (will show bar policy)
- Cold storage

BAR POLICY & CLEANING



- Look at opening and closing procedures
- How can you take preventative steps to prevent quality issues?
- Cleaning and detailing faucets
- Keg room cleaning and equipment maintenance

Measure, Track, Report

Keep notes on status of each account

Helps relay efforts to stakeholders

Justify to new accounts/team
members/management/partners

Celebrate improvements

WHY ARE THESE INTERACTIONS IMPORTANT?

And how do you get started?



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CONSISTENT MESSAGING



If your entire organization, from tap room to retail, is playing from the same playbook, that consistency will pay off.

Building Relationships

- Turnover in retail makes relationships with key personnel even more important – build quality ambassadors
- If your team become the experts in the field, they become the trusted resource – those relationships lead to better sales
- Communicating both ways
- Make sure to follow-up and follow through



Quality Impacts Sales

Better Beer → More Orders

Consumers Have Never
Been More Educated!

CREATING EXPERTS IN THE FIELD



- The more your staff knows → the more valuable they become
- Create opportunities for growth
- Internal & External Experts

BE NICE!

Strategies for Success

- Respect your partners
- Work together
- Educate don't pontificate
- Share in success
- Support efforts
- Monitor language & tone
- Celebrate improvements



Field Quality: Real World Example

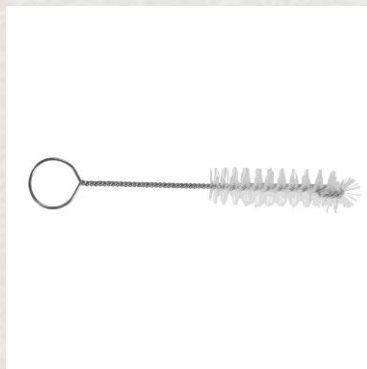


Before

Field Quality: Real World Example



After



Quality Toolkit

- Draught System Multitool
- Thermometer
- Flashlight
- Faucet Brush
- Spare Gaskets
- Rags
- PPE (Gloves, Glasses)
- Notebook & Pen
- EasyBlend App
- Draught Quality for Retail
- Bag

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To Go Best Practices

What you need to know about
Growlers and Crowlers®:



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The Original



GROWLER TYPES

Glass:



Growler Types

Ceramic:



Growler Types

Plastic:



Growler Types

Stainless Steel:



The Crowler®

- Single-use container
- Seamed at the point of dispense
- Crowler® is trademarked by the Ball Corporation
- Introduced In 2013 through joint venture between Oskar Blues Brewery and the Ball Corporation
- Trademark is licensed to Crowler Nation, an offshoot of Oskar Blues/Canarchy



Currently



32OZ 'GROWLER-SIZED' BRITE CAN
307 BODY-DIAMETER
(HALF & FULL PALLETS)
Sold Out

- Single use containers have never made more sense
- The shortage of cans has made it very difficult to get into the single use business

Container Types



- The original 32-ounce Crowler®
 - 300 ends*
- Crowler A® 25.4-ounce
 - 300 ends*

*300 ends \approx 3.00 inches diameter

Note: ends (lids) are typically ordered separately

Container Options

- 12 oz, 16 oz, 16.9 oz, 19.2 oz also available
 - 202 ends*

*202 ends \approx 2 3/8 inches diameter

Note: Seam rollers are specific to ends being used



Growlers

Pros

- Convenient
- Come in different sizes
- No special equipment needed
- Containers widely available

Cons

- Vulnerable to UV exposure
- Carbonation loss
- Oxygen pickup
- Shelf life
- Questionable closure
- Re-use sanitation questions
- Breakage

Crowlers®

Pros

- Convenient
- Robust seal
- Opaque – UV protection
- Easy to cap on foam
- No re-use, so no cleaning
- Recyclable

Cons

- Shelf life
- Specialized seamer required
- Containers can be hard to acquire
- Labeling/ recycling questions

Cleanliness of Containers

Standard sanitary practices apply

- Store container and caps/ends in clean, dry area
 - Crowlers® inverted or covered
 - Growlers kept in covered area
 - Ends stored stacked and covered
 - Lids kept covered
 - Rinse container with cool water before filling
- Wear nitrile gloves when filling/seaming

Rinsing



Water is blocked by the growler neck



This one made with a 1/4" coupler and 5" nipple

- Rinsing helps to clean and cool container.
- An extension to a standard rinser helps to get the water past the “bottle neck”
- A cold plate coil can be used to cool the rinse water even more.

Purging

Same principles apply as with can or bottle filling

- Evacuate Oxygen
- Lower DO/TPO



Purging

Is it effective?

- Preliminary evidence from three minor sensory studies from breweries
- Indication of benefits of CO2 purge
 - Purged showed better results in sensory than no purge
 - Lower DO/TPO with 5 second purge than none
 - TPO still higher than expected from professional packaging line
- Better sensory results than growler after 3 days

Purging

- All devices need to have self shut off
- CO₂ monitors are suggested



Purging



All CO₂ should be directed to the bottom of the container



Purging

Recommendations

- Purge for 5 seconds
 - Not longer than 10 seconds due to safety concerns
- Purge from the bottom with tube or long directional nozzle
- Auto-shutoff



Filling

Filling properly is very important :

- Straight faucet fill is the most disruptive
- Bottom fill with a faucet-fitted tube is better
- A counter-pressure filling machine is the most ideal

Note: Faucet-fitted tubes and other filling equipment must be sanitized, rinsed and dried after each use

Tube Filling

- 1/2" OD Vinyl tubing fits snugly in standard faucets.
- Angles cut on the ends make insertion easier
 - Also lessens the chance of plugging the tube with the bottom of container



Counter Pressure Filler



Adapters can be made to fit various sized containers to counterpressure fillers



Safety

Filled growlers can shatter or explode

Dependent on temperature, fill volume and carbonation level

2.7 Vols/Vol, 5% ABV, at a 95% fill			
	Temperature	PSIG	BARG
Refrigerated	38	13.1	0.90
Cool	50	20.3	1.40
Room Temp	68	32.4	2.23
Hot Day	100	57.5	3.96
Car	120	74.2	5.12

Safety

- Only use growler containers specifically designed for packaged carbonated beer and
- Ask the container supplier to verify container pressure ratings



Many containers currently in use are not designed for carbonated beverages.



Safety

For counter-pressure filling

- Know the pressure rating of the system
- Ensure system shielding



Safety

Do not overfill a growler

- Always leave 5% headspace or fill to the manufacturers recommended fill line if one is shown.

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Cool	50	20.3	20.4
Room Temp	68	32.4	33.2
Hot Day	100	57.5	60
Car	120	74.2	78.4

Safety

- Fill heights can be deceptively low
- Fill heights will vary by container

Proper fill line



Safety

Imperfections in glass can cause weakness in glass

- Visually inspect every growler before filling.
- Do not fill glass or ceramic growlers with:
 - Cracks or chips
 - Engravings
 - Pitted or unsmooth glass surfaces as found in older growlers



System Maintenance

Having a clean draught system is imperative

Following guidelines from the Draught Beer Quality Manual:

- Clean every two weeks:
 - Caustic chemical solution at 80-110F
 - 2% solution, 3% for old or problem lines
 - Recirculate 15 minutes with an electric cleaning pump
- Disassemble and clean faucet at every cleaning
- Scrub Coupler at every cleaning
- Quarterly acid line cleaner – descaling
- Semi-Annual
 - Disassemble and detail FOBs
 - Disassemble and detail couplers

Seamer



- Semi-automatic
- Can is spun mechanically
- Seaming is done manually

Note: This style can be made to seam a variety of heights of the same ends

Seamer



The original All American

- Seaming is done automatically

Seamer



Production

- Designed to run continuously

Seamer

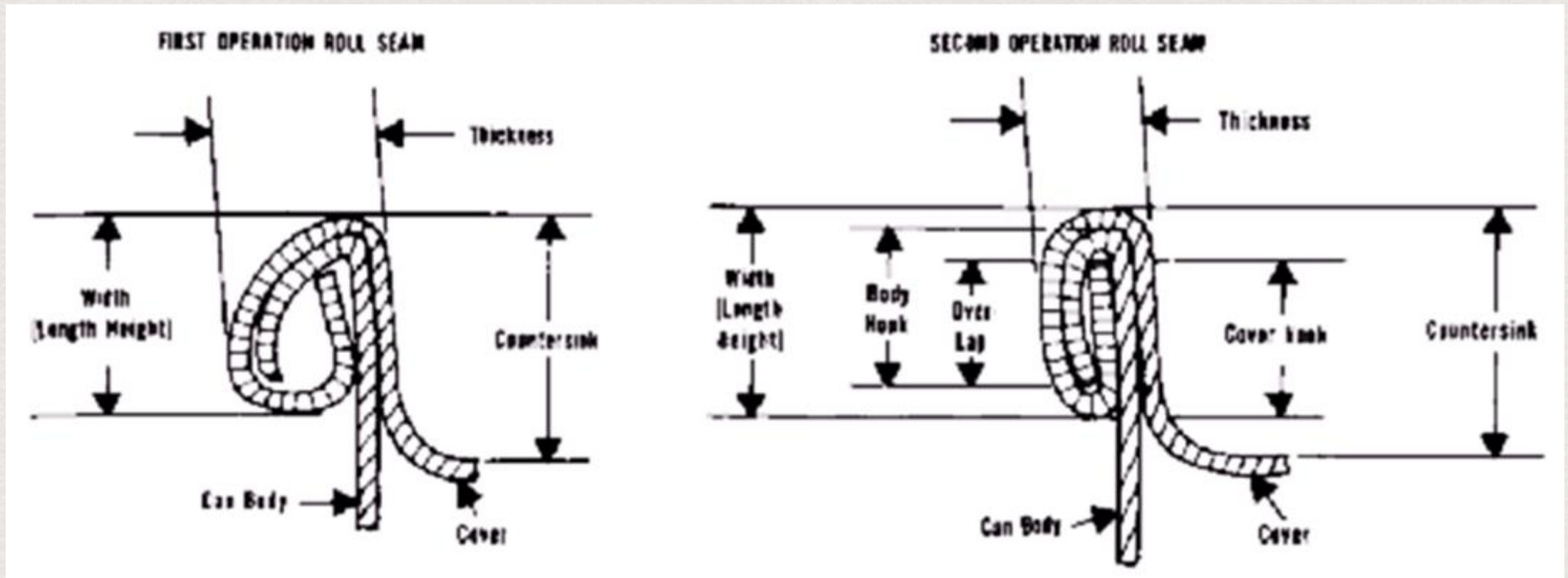


All seaming machines need to be maintained

- Daily lubrication
- Seam checks



Seams



Seam Checks

- Check first and second seams on a regular schedule.
- Easily done following seamers manufacturers instruction.
- Each container's manufacturers has its own specific tolerances.



Shelf Life

Recommendations for minimizing TPO

- Purge 5-10 seconds from the bottom
- Fill from the bottom until foam crowns the top Crowler
- Cap on foam, then seam
- No delay between steps

Bottom Line

- Not the same as packages filled from a professional packaging line
- Impossible to recreate the same oxygen evacuation
 - Elevated TPO is inevitable
 - Consumer education is critical
- Date coding on the label is recommended



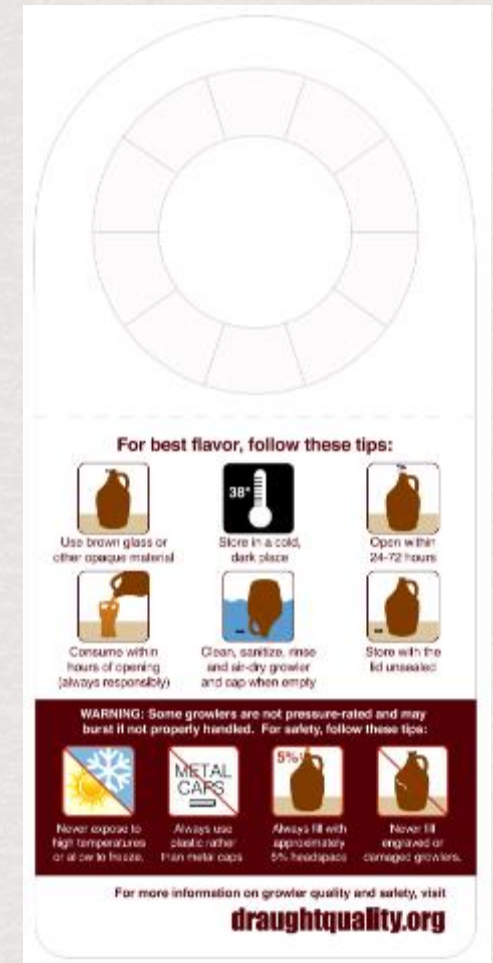
Consumer Education

The average customer doesn't understand shelf life like a brewer does:

Educate the end user. Verbiage is available from BA

Remind customers:

- It's not a commercially filled can/bottle
- Store cold
- Consume growlers within 72 hrs
- Consume Crowlers® in 7 -10 days



Available Publications

<https://www.brewersassociation.org/educational-publications/facts-about-draught-beer-to-go-cans/>

<https://www.brewersassociation.org/educational-publications/draught-beer-quality-manual/>

<https://www.brewersassociation.org/educational-publications/draught-beer-quality-for-retailers/>

<https://brewersassoc.s3.us-west-2.amazonaws.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/Draught-Beer-Quality-Growler-Tags.pdf>



BREWERS ASSOCIATION FACTS ABOUT DRAUGHT BEER TO-GO CANS

Cans filled and sealed upon customer request, such as Crowler® cans, are a relatively new type of take-home draught beer package that has recently become very popular. These aluminum packages are typically large volume, up to 24 ounces, and are filled with draught beer and sealed directly after by the bartender or server. This document seeks to demonstrate some of the advantages this type of packaging has for brewers and draught beer retailers, limitations it puts on draught beer quality, and best practices brewers and retailers can employ to maintain beer quality.

OPERATION OF THE GROWLER

Aluminum containers used for draught beer are an evolution of the glass growler and serve the same function: to allow beer drinkers to take draught beer home with them. There are some key differences in the package, the most obvious of which is that while growlers are large glass bottles, these types of packages are large aluminum cans. Like other cans, they require a specialized seamer to seal the cans after filling. Sealers are typically small to medium-sized tabletop machines that are specifically designed to seam one can at a time, as opposed to one that runs on a professional canning line, seaming upwards of hundreds of cans per minute.

CLEANLINESS

Cans used in this manner are single-use containers and cannot be re-used. In order to maintain the quality of the beer being poured into it, there are some important storage and handling practices to follow.

- Cans should be stored upside down to keep out dust and foreign objects.
- Cans should be kept stacked and stored in a clean environment.
- When moving cans, care should be taken to not dent or bend the container, especially the top lip that will be used to form a seal.
- Cans should be stored with cold water before filling.

PERFORMANCE

To assist in extending the shelf life, it may be helpful to purge the package with carbon dioxide or nitrogen before filling.



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Questions?

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**MAXIMIZING PROFITS
THROUGH DRAUGHT
BEER QUALITY**

MATT MEADOWS
DIRECTOR OF FIELD QUALITY
NEW BELGIUM BREWING

TOPICS

- **Market Challenges**
- **System Design**
- **Line Cleaning**
- **Carbonation and Pouring**

INTRODUCTIONS

- **Brewer**
- **Distributor**
- **Retailer**
- **Line Cleaning or Install Company**
- **Equipment/Chemical/Gas Supplier**

DRAUGHT BEER CHALLENGES

What are we up against?
What objections do you face?



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DRAUGHT BEER QUALITY MANUAL



FOURTH EDITION

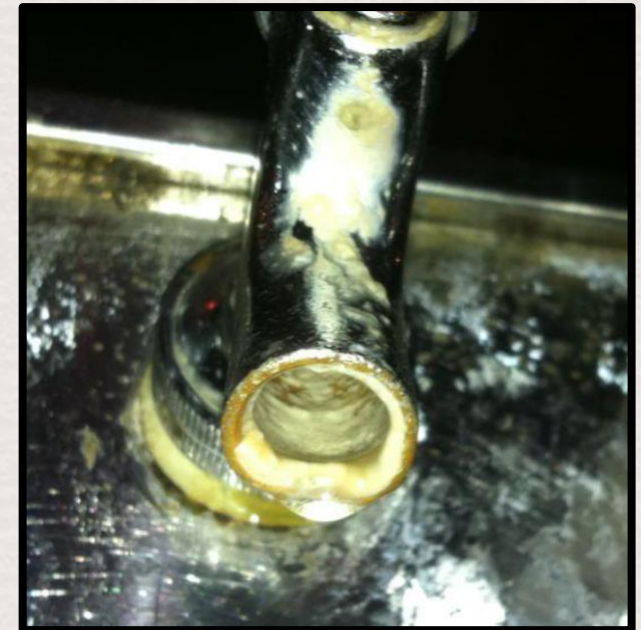
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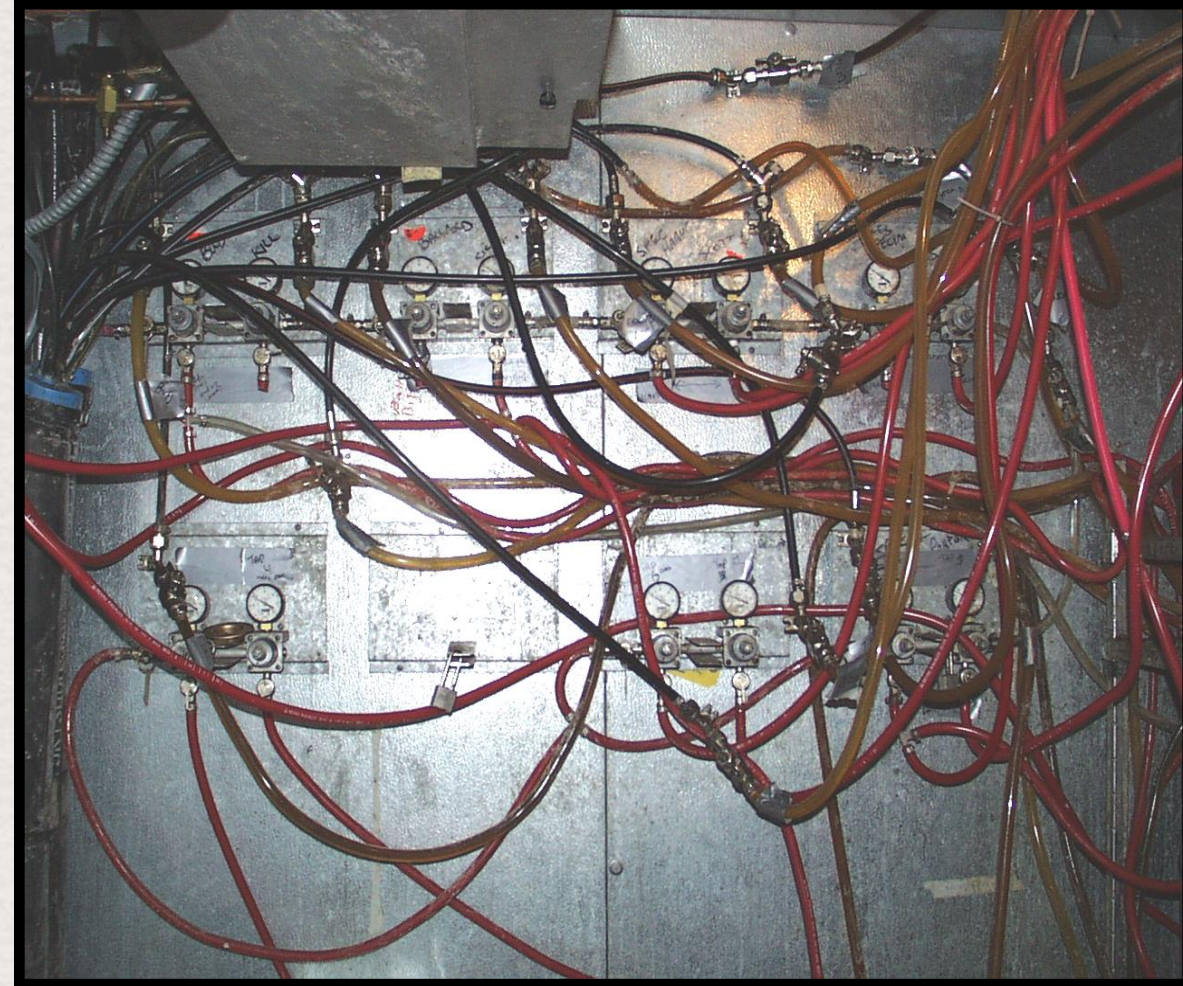
CONDITION & AGE OF SYSTEM...



HARDWARE CLEANLINESS...



COOLER CONDITIONS...



Sonic Cleaners

Devices that purport to electrically or sonically clean draught lines are not a suitable substitute for chemical line cleaning. Although some sonic cleaners may inhibit bacteria and yeast growth, they have little or no cleaning effect on draught hardware and fittings. The success of sonic cleaners can be affected by the beer style and length of system, and can be interrupted by metal components in the system. Sonic cleaners may add some benefit to deter certain types of bacteria while having little to no effect on others. A maximum two-week chemical line cleaning cycle is recommended on all draught systems regardless of the use of a sonic cleaner.

DRAUGHT BEER QUALITY MANUAL



EXPECTATIONS OF A SYSTEM SERVICE PROVIDER

Two-week Cleaning Cycle: All system cleaning service providers and wholesalers should have clearly posted documentation of line cleaning.

2%-3% Caustic: Draught systems should be cleaned with a caustic solution of 2% or greater for routine cleaning, or 3% for older or more problematic lines. Service providers should maintain a solution temperature of 80 to 110° F during the cleaning process. Systems should be pre-rinsed with water prior to introducing caustic chemical.

Recirculation Pump: Electric recirculation pump cleaning is the recommended cleaning method for all system types. Caustic solution should circulate through the lines at a minimum of 15 minutes at a flow-rate of up to 2 gallons per minute. If static of pressure pot is used (though not recommended) the solution needs to be left standing in the lines for no less than 20 minutes.

Hardware Cleaning: Service providers should disassemble, service, and hand clean faucets. Couplers and FOB's should also be cleaned of visible build-up every two-weeks.

Rinse: Entire system should be completely rinsed with cold water until pH matches that of the tap water to ensure all cleaning chemicals have been removed.

Quarterly: Draught beer lines should be de-stoned with an acid line cleaning chemical.

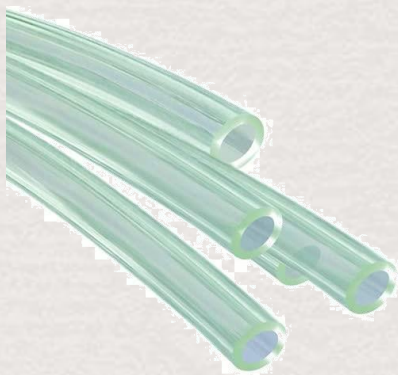
Semi-Annually: All coupler and FOB-stop devices should be completely disassembled and detailed.



SYSTEM DESIGN



UPFRONT INVESTMENT



TUBING QUALITY

Type	Size	Resistance (lb./ft.)*	Volume (fl. oz./ft.)
Vinyl/flexible	3/16" ID	3.00	1/6
Vinyl/flexible	1/4" ID	0.85	1/3
Vinyl/flexible	5/16" ID	0.40	1/2
Vinyl/flexible	3/8" ID	0.20	3/4
Vinyl/flexible	1/2" ID	0.025	1 1/3
Barrier	1/4" ID	0.30	1/3
Barrier	5/16" ID	0.10	1/2
Barrier	3/8" ID	0.06	3/4
Stainless	1/4" OD	1.20	1/6
Stainless	5/16" OD	0.30	1/3
Stainless	3/8" OD	0.12	1/2

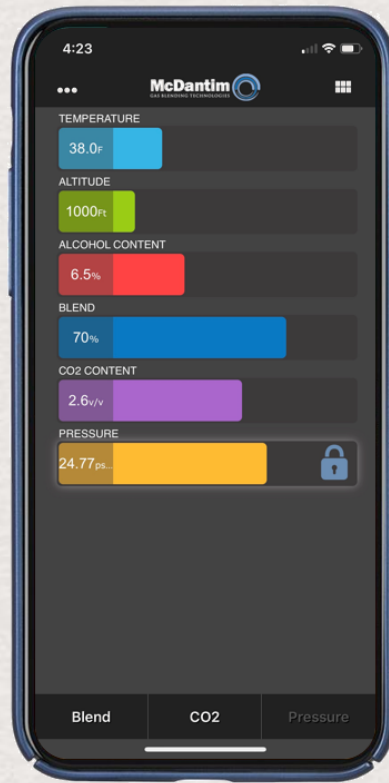
TUBING SIZE



STAINLESS STEEL

GAS SOURCE

Understanding the correct blend and pressures for your system

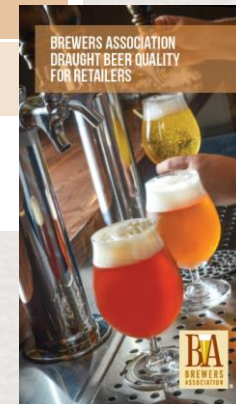


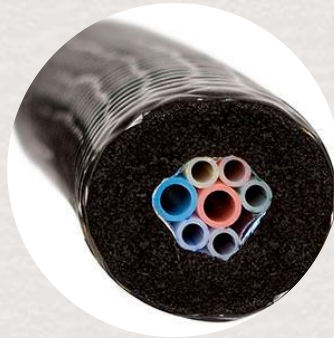
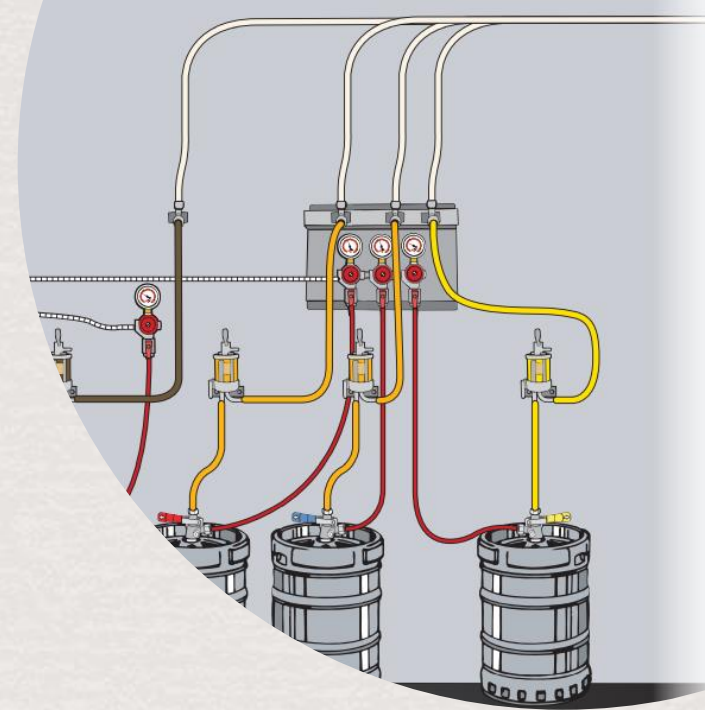
GAS SOURCE

A “Nitro Gas” cylinder ends up costing DOUBLE the cost of blended gas or beer pumps

GAS COST ANALYSIS FOR BEER DISPENSED AT 25 PSI				
Gas Type	Price	Cu. Ft	Kegs Dispensed*	Gas cost per keg
Pre-Mix (25%/75%)	\$33.00	244	45.2	\$0.73
CO ₂ (50lb.)	\$16.00	405	75.0	\$0.21
N ₂	\$25.00	244	45.2	\$0.55
Self Mix (70% CO ₂ -30%N ₂)				\$0.32
*A keg dispensed at 25 PSIG uses 5.4 Cu. Ft. of Gas – Calculations assume no waste				

This is typically around \$1000 savings every year.





TEMPERATURE

Strictly monitoring temperatures



ECONOMICS OF DRAUGHT SYSTEM CLEANING

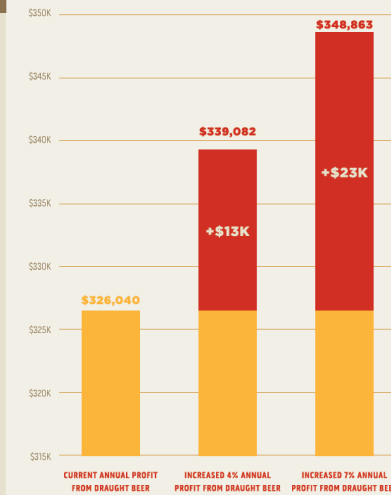


MAXIMIZING PROFITABILITY THROUGH DRAUGHT SYSTEM CLEANING

The need for more frequent draught system cleaning may not always be as evident as customer complaints or significant off flavors in the beer. Instead, this is more often a hidden cost that comes in the form of lost repeat sales or customers moving to less profitable alternatives. This idea is proven in two different studies that have examined the relationship of draught system cleaning and profitability (Draught Beer Quality Subcommittee: "The Economic Benefits of Line Cleaning" and David Quain: "Draught Beer Quality – Challenges and Opportunities"). These studies show an increase of 4% to 7% in sales growth when establishments move to more frequent line cleaning cycles!

**4-7%
SALES
GROWTH**

POTENTIAL ANNUAL PROFIT GROWTH



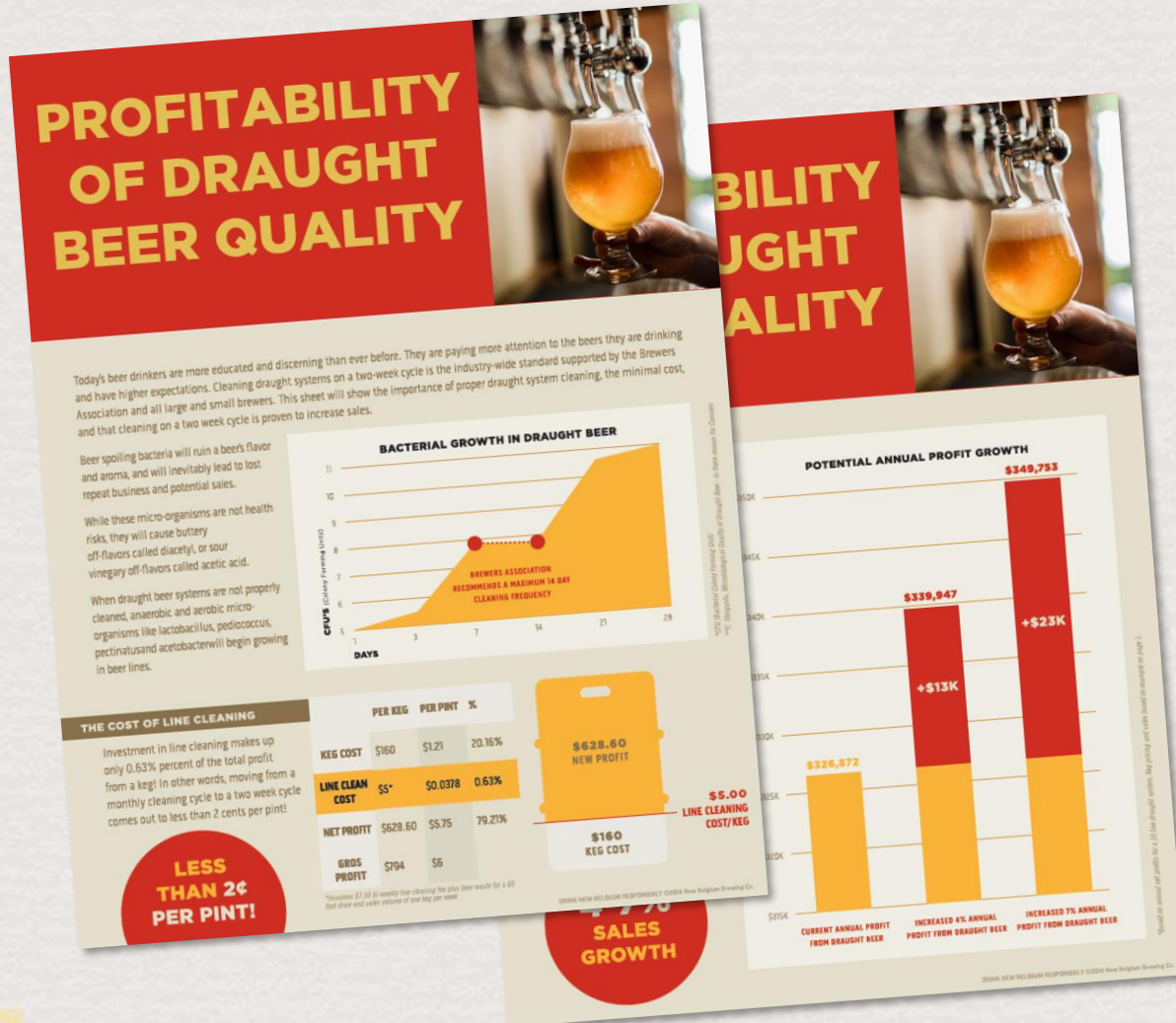
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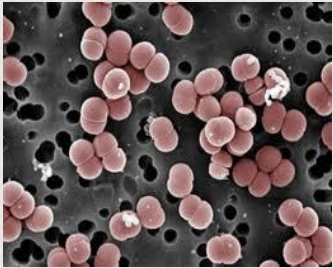
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PROFITABILITY OF QUALITY



1. The importance of proper system cleaning
2. The minimal cost involved in system cleaning
3. Cleaning lines properly is proven to increase sales

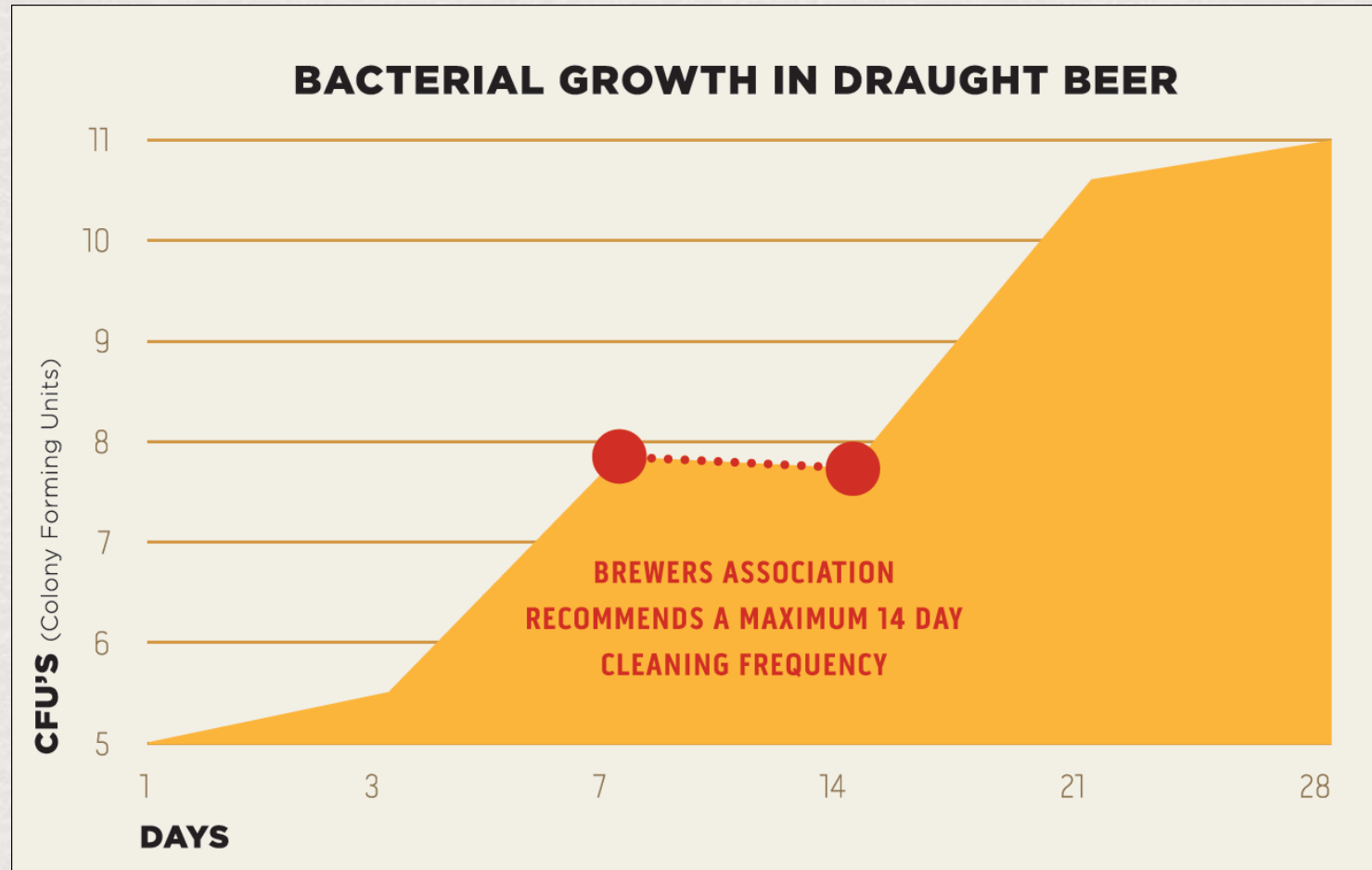
THE IMPORTANCE OF SYSTEM CLEANING



Pediococcus



Acetobacter



LINE CLEANING IS INEXPENSIVE



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THE COST OF LINE CLEANING

Investment in line cleaning makes up only 0.63% percent of the total profit from a keg! In other words, moving from a monthly cleaning cycle to a two week cycle comes out to less than 2 cents per pint!

**LESS
THAN 2¢
PER PINT!**

	PER KEG	PER PINT	%
KEG COST	\$160	\$1.21	20.20%
LINE CLEAN COST	\$5*	\$0.038	0.63%
NET PROFIT	\$627	\$4.75	79.17%
GROSS PROFIT	\$792	\$6	

**Assumes \$7.50 bi-weekly line cleaning fee plus beer waste for a 60 foot draw and sales volume of one keg per week*



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LINE CLEANING IS PROVEN TO INCREASE SALES



ECONOMICS OF DRAUGHT LINE CLEANING

Retail confidence in draught beer is growing. According to Beer Institute, U.S. draught beer volume grew by over 3% from 2009 to 2013. 3% growth equaled an additional 1,246,000 ½ barrels.

A recent white paper (Draught Beer Quality Subcommittee: "The Economic Benefits of Line Cleaning") used Wisconsin industry data to show that a two-week line cleaning cycle drove a **4% higher** growth rate than locations not using the two-week cycle. This built on an earlier industry study (David Quain: "Draught Beer Quality – Challenges and Opportunities"), which showed similar draught sales gains (2%) from systems cleaned weekly. Quain's study also found that retail locations which only cleaned their lines every 5 to 8 weeks saw a **7% decline** in draught beer sales.

CASE STUDY V: INFREQUENT DRAUGHT LINE CLEANING IMPACT ON REVENUE

15 ½ bbl kegs sold per week = 780 ½ bbl kegs per year sold

7% decline in sales = 55 less ½ bbl kegs per year

Profit from a \$100 ½ bbl keg sold at \$4.00 per pint = \$428.00

55 ½ bbl kegs x \$428.00 = \$23,540.00 in lost revenue by going to a 5 to 8 week cleaning frequency.

Brewers from the U.S. report similar experiences with various retail accounts. Draught beer can and will deliver sales and profits, but only when equipment is properly maintained. The upward trend in U.S. draught beer sales is due to many factors. Brewer, wholesaler and retailer investment in education is paying off. Sales and service from draught professionals are generating profits that will sustain a rise in U.S. draught beer sales for years to come.

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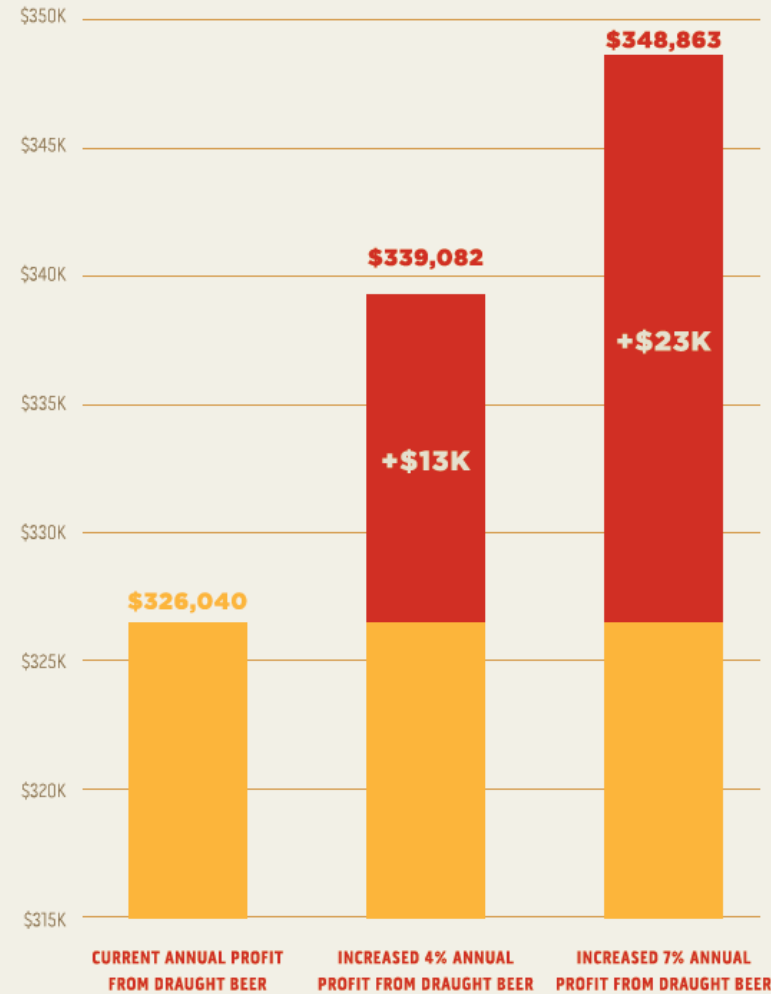


MAXIMIZING PROFITABILITY THROUGH DRAUGHT SYSTEM CLEANING

The need for more frequent draught system cleaning may not always be as evident as customer complaints or significant off flavors in the beer. Instead, this is more often a hidden cost that comes in the form of lost repeat sales or customers moving to less profitable alternatives. This idea is proven in two different studies that have examined the relationship of draught system cleaning and profitability (Draught Beer Quality Subcommittee: "The Economic Benefits of Line Cleaning" and David Quain: "Draught Beer Quality – Challenges and Opportunities"). These studies show an increase of 4% to 7% in sales growth when establishments move to more frequent line cleaning cycles!

**4-7%
SALES
GROWTH**

POTENTIAL ANNUAL PROFIT GROWTH



*Based on annual net profits for a 10 line draught system. Keg pricing and sales based on example on page 1.

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TOTAL PROFIT:

Total annual cost of moving from
a monthly to a two-week cycle:
\$1300

Additional annual profit:
\$13,000 - \$23,000

Money on the table:
\$11,700 to \$21,700

POURING AND PROFITABILITY



PROPER POURING TECHNIQUE

1. Hold glass at 45° angle
2. Control faucet at base
3. Gradually tilt glass upright once beer has reached about the halfway point in the glass.
4. Pour beer straight into the glass, working the glass to form a one inch collar of foam (“head”). For Presentation as well as Carbonation Release.
5. Close faucet quickly to avoid overflow.



PROPER POURING TECHNIQUE

- Ownership of the glass: Pourer: Bottom/Exterior, Customer: Top/Interior
- In no instance should a faucet touch the inside of the glass.
- Nozzles can potentially transfer germs from one glass to another.
- In no instance should the faucet become immersed in the consumer's beer.
- Nozzles dipped in beer become a breeding ground for microorganisms.



DEMONSTRATION



DOES A 2_{oz.} OVERPOUR REALLY COST ME THAT MUCH?



- 124 Pints/Keg
- $124 \times \$6 = \744
- $\$744 - \$160 \text{ keg} = \$584$
- **\$584 Net Profit**

- 142 Pints/Keg
- $142 \times \$6 = \852
- $\$852 - \$160 \text{ keg} = \$692$
- **\$692 Net Profit**

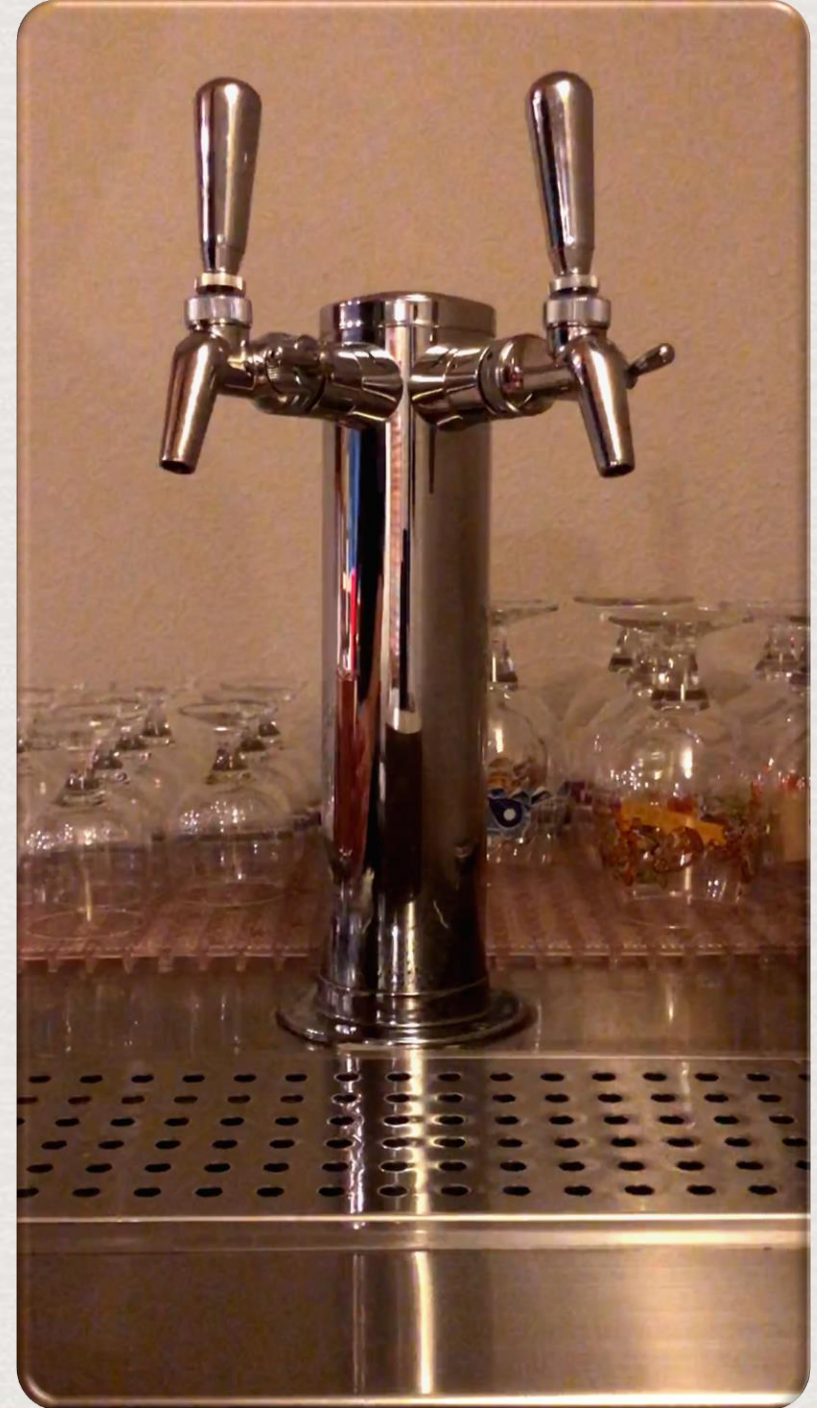
- $\$692 - \$584 = \$108 / \text{keg}$
- At a keg per week = $\$5,616 / \text{year}$
- For a 10 line system:

Additional Annual Profit:

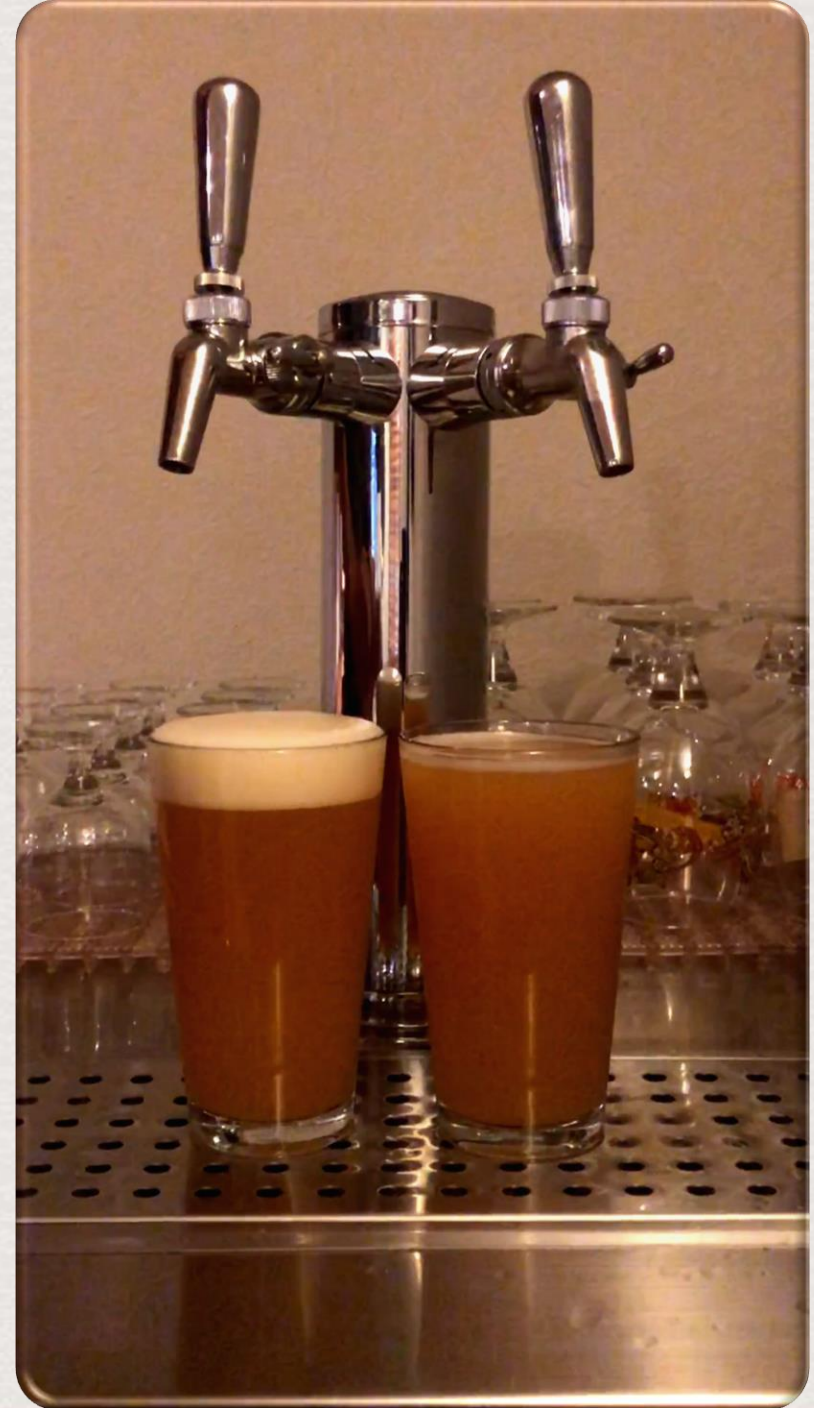
\$56,160 / year



POURING TECHNIQUE & GAS BREAKOUT



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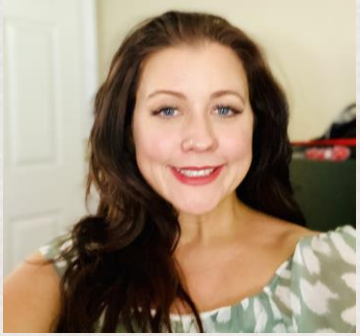
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Draught beer makes me sick.

Beer doesn't go bad.



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**My bar has been closed for months,
so there's no need to clean yet.**



**My system uses beer gas (25/75),
and all my beer pours great!**

**I don't want any head on my beer,
because it makes me gassy.**

Frozen mugs helps me sell more beer.

The best way to tell if there's still caustic in the line is by feeling if the rinse water is still slick to the touch.

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