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Oregon Liquor Stores Pull Russian Made Liquor

Supports universal economic sanctions in wake of unprovoked invasion of Ukraine

PORTLAND, OR. – Today the Oregon Liquor & Cannabis Commission (OLCC) directed the operators of Oregon's independently owned liquor stores to stop selling all Russian manufactured distilled spirits. The OLCC has sequestered the remaining supply of Russian spirits in its Portland warehouse.

The following Russian manufactured liquor products below are no longer available for purchase:

RUSSIAN STANDARD VODKA	JEWEL OF RUSSIA ULTRA
RUSSIAN STANDARD VODKA	MAMONT VODKA
RUSSIAN STANDARD PLATINUM	ZYR RUSSIAN VODKA
BELUGA GOLD LINE VODKA	FORTY DEGREES RUSSIAN
HAMMER + SICKLE VODKA	GREEN MARK VODKA
BELUGA NOBLE VODKA	GREEN MARK VODKA
RUSSIAN STANDARD GOLD VODKA	HAMMER + SICKLE VODKA
JEWEL OF RUSSIA CLASSIC	IMPERIA VODKA
JEWEL OF RUSSIA ULTRA BLACK	KUTSKOVA RUSSIAN VODKA
IMPERIAL VODKA	RUSSIAN ICE VODKA
RUSSIAN STANDARD 12-50ML	RUSSIAN STANDARD W/2 SHOT
BELUGA NOBLE CELEBRATION	ST. PETERSBURG RUSSIAN VODKA

Across the state, about 5,000 bottles of Russian-made liquor are currently for sale in 281 liquor stores. More than 6,200 bottles remain in the OLCC warehouse distribution center. Effective immediately, liquor stores have started removing all bottles of Russian-made liquor from their store shelves, and the OLCC has stopped fulfilling orders for those products from its warehouse.

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The OLCC is taking this action as a result of the Russian invasion of Ukraine. Removing these products aligns with other states that have acted to ban the sale of Russian made products as a part of economic sanctions against Russian operated businesses. Economic sanctions against the Russian government are designed to bring this conflict to an end.

As Oregon Governor Kate Brown has [reflected](#), "The actions of the Russian Government are not the actions of the Russian people. We value our Russian community here in Oregon, and many Russian families are being impacted by this conflict."

Oregon Liquor stores are also prohibited from fulfilling any customer "special order" requests for Russian manufactured liquor.

Consumers can still find all other brands of vodka including those branded with Russian names, *but not purchased from distilleries located in Russia*, for sale in Oregon liquor stores.

"The OLCC understands that there are times when we must respond to a higher calling in the interest of humanity, and this is a but a small step the OLCC and the State of Oregon can take," said Paul Rosenbaum, Chair of the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission.

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