

On behalf of the Canadian Cannabis Jurisdictional Leadership (CCJL)

Dear Licensed Producer,

The CCJL brings together cannabis wholesalers and provincial bodies from across Canada and we have been working together to deliver a National Barcode Standard Initiative. To improve operational effectiveness, each jurisdiction has worked closely with its Licensed Producer community to ensure this initiative is rolled out and implemented effectively and efficiently.

As you may have received notification from each jurisdiction separately, we would like to come together to summarize the rollout and implementation dates for each province and territory.

Jurisdiction	Start Date to Accept New Barcode	Transition Period	End Date in Accepting Old Barcode
Yukon	-	-	-
Northwest Territories	Feb. 28 2021	Nov. 26 2020 -Feb. 28 2021	Feb. 28 2021
Nunavut	-	-	-
British Columbia	Oct. 19 2020	Oct. 19 2020 – Mar. 31 2021	Apr. 1 2021
Alberta	Feb. 28 2021	Nov. 26 2020 -Feb. 28 2021	Feb. 28 2021
Saskatchewan	N/A	N/A	N/A
Manitoba	Jan 1st, 2021	Jan. 1 - March 31, 2021	Apr. 1, 2021
Ontario	Jan. 18 2021	Jan.18 – Mar. 31 2021	Apr. 1 2021
Quebec	Dec. 5 2020	Dec. 5 2020 – Mar. 31 2021	Apr. 1 2021
Newfoundland and Labrador	Jan. 18 2021	Jan.18 – Mar. 31 2021	Apr. 1 2021
PEI	Jan. 4 2020	Jan. 4 – Feb. 28, 2021	Mar. 1 2021
New Brunswick			
Nova Scotia	Jan. 1 2021	Jan. 1– Mar. 31 2021	Apr. 1 2021

As mentioned previously, this National Barcode Standard Initiative will affect the GS1 DataBar Expanded and GS1 DataBar Expanded Stacked Barcodes. In this new standard, Application Identifier (17) *Expiration date* is replaced with Application Identifier (13) *Packaging Date*.

Example:



(01)00612121003756(13)190420(10)ABC123

We would like to extend our gratitude and commend the efforts of our licensed producer partners in helping us get to this national standard.

Thank you,

CCJL