

THE SCIENCE OF BEER

PACKAGING QUALITY WORKSHOP

Wednesday, June 4, 2014



AGENDA

- TPO (30 min)
 - Charles Benedict Hach
 - What is it ?; What are approaches to analyse ? What are challenges to the methods ?
- Glass Quality (45 min)
 - Robert Shanteau Verallia
 - Glass manufacturing process step by step from the receipt of raw materials through to outbound shipments along with some discussion of the key inspection devices and quality control points as we go through the process
 - Rob Fraser SNBCO
 - What can breweries do?
- Brainstorm packaging quality MOA needs (30 min)
 - Rob Fraser/Rebecca Newman/Shawn Theriot



1. Starts beyond the brewery

Develop a partnership with your supplier

- 1. Understand each others business and process capabilities
- 2. Visit each others facilities and meet key stakeholders
- 3. Develop a glass specification manual together
- 4. Set up regular partnership meetings with key stakeholders alternating sites
 - Set up action log
 - Bring supporting information
 - » Breakage rates Filler / Line
 - » Defect log
- 5. Set up monthly quality conference calls
 - Create an agenda
 - Set up KPI's inventory, multiple lo

- 3. Glass Specification manual includes :
 - The general guidelines for glass bottle containers
 - A general description of the Glass Manufacturing requirements
 - Bottle Composition / Manufacturing Requirements
 - Glass bottle and finish drawings outlined
 - Bottle and process requirements
 - Glass specifications (AQL's) with defined reactions for critical, major, minor defects
 - Bottle performance requirements
 - Packing, shipping and handling requirements
 - Line performance requirements through the Glass Plant and Brewery processes
 - Bottle Manufacturing Qualification Criteria
 - Non conformances expectations



AQL'S - Acceptable Quality Limits

Critical = x % - An imperfection that could result in hazardous or unsafe conditions for consumers.

Major -Reaction Level = x %, Quarantine Level = x % - An imperfection that could cause difficulties or interruptions on the filling lines or jeopardize package integrity. Presents a low safety risk to the consumer. Major Defect can become classified as critical if there is high potential for consumer injury due to the type and location of defects.

Minor -Reaction Level = x % - An imperfection that is primarily cosmetic or aesthetic in nature. Since Minor Defects are not function defects, it is more subjective in regards to reaction. Minor Defects are purely aesthetic defects therefore reaction decision will be based on severity and frequency on an individual basis. Does not contribute to product or package integrity issues.

Reaction Level - Glass supplier will be notified if and when the reaction level is reached. Glass Supplier will investigate and help to determine corrective action. Glass Supplier will review production records and react appropriately to reduce the frequency of the defect.

Quarantine Level - Glass supplier will be notified when the quarantine level is reached. Based on the severity of the defect, determination will be made to isolate and quarantine empty ware and/or finished goods. Glass supplier will investigate and help to determine corrective action. Glass supplier will review production records and react appropriately to reduce the frequency of the defect

Bottle Performance Requirements

- Based on current process capability of respective glass plants and brewery needs and expectations
 - Should include fill pt , filler, crowner and line breakage reaction and quarentine levels



- Clearly define definitions of critical, major and minor defects
- Clearly outline corrective actions with roles and responsibilities





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2. At the brewery

- Incorporate traceability documentation at receipt and storage of bulk glass - Julian date/time check sheet
- Create inventory control mechanisms WMS

– Breakage

- Perform glass handling risk assessment
 - Install necessary guarding
- Install empty glass inspection equipment
 - Omnivision / Hueft
 - » Monitor reject rates per parameter
 - Validates glass suppliers inspection equipment
- Utilize IT or manual documentation date/time of glass burst
- Install fragment flush system on filler/crowner
 - Develop monitoring and corrective action SOP's
 - Develop verification and validation SOP's
- Purchase stereoscope to enable glass breakage
- Train your employees on glass breakage
 - AGR (American Glass Research institute)

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- Capacities
 - Request monthly bottle capacity report from glass supplier
 - Correlate to fill levels
 - Monitor and change our vent tubes when necessary
 - » Save beer
 - Stock rotation of glass critical





MOA

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Packages and Packaging Materials Method

Introduction

Bottles

Bottles 1. Dimensions 1999

VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD

A. Height [Release date 1999] B. Outside Diameter [Release date 1999] C. Out-of-Perpendicular [Release date 1999] D. Identification Marks [Release date 1999] E. Glass Distribution [Release date 1999] F. Weight 1999 [Release date 1963] G. Locking Ring "A" Diameter [Release date 1999] H. Reinforcing Ring "B" Diameter [Release date 1999] J. Width of Locking Ring [Release date 1999] J. Throat "I" Diameter [Release date 1999] K. Finish [Release date 1999]

Bottles 2. Defects [Release date 1999] VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD

Bottles 3. Color

VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD

A. Amber Color [Release date 1999] B. Redness Ratio [Release date 1999]

Bottles 4. Capacity

VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD A. Overflow [Release date 1999] B. Fill Point [Release date 1999]

Bottles 5. Surface Protective Coatings

Bottle Closures

Bottle Closures 1. Defects Glossary and Classification [Release date 1999] VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD

Bottle Closures 2. Test Pressure

VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD

A. Internal Pressure Test for Crowns [Release date 1995]

- B. Internal Pressure Test for 28-mm Topside Pilferproof Closures [Release date 1995]
- C. Internal Pressure Test for Plastic-Lined Convenience Two-Way Crown Applied to GPI 500 Series Finishes [Release date 1995]
- D. Secure Seal Tester (SST) Internal Pressure Test [Release date 1995]

Bottle Closures 3. Gas Retention Capability of Crowns [Release date 1968] VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD

Bottle Closures 4. Lithography Resistance to Pasteurization Conditions for Steel Crowns and Roll-On Pilferproof Aluminum Closures [Release date 1999] VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD

Bottle Closures 5. Removal Torque Procedure

VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD

A. For Aluminum Closures [Release date 1993] B. For Crowns [Release date 1993]

Bottle Closures 6. Crimp Determination Test -- Crowns [Release date 1994] VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD





Cans

Cans 1. Defects Classification and Glossary for Seamless Two-Piece Cans

VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD

- A. Can and End Defects Classification [Release date 2004]
- B. Can Defects [Release date 1999]
- C. End Defects [Release date 1999]

Cans 2. Evaluation of Rusting Tendency of Beer Cans* [Release date 1970]

Cans 3. Dimensions

VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD

- A. Metal Gauge Thickness [Release date 2004]
- B. Flange Width [Release date 2004]
- C. Filled Can Countersink Depth [Release date 2004]

Cans 4. Ends

VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD

- A. Curl Opening [Release date 2004]
- B. Seaming Chuck Fit [Release date 2004]
- C. Ring-Pull-End Pop and Pull Test [Release date 2004]

Cans 5. Capacity

VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD

A. Overflow [Release date 2004] B. Headspace [Release date 2004]

Cans 6. Enamel Rater for Evaluating Metal Exposure [Release date 2004] VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD

Cans 7. Beverage Can Terminology [Release date 2009] VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD

Cans 8. Copper Sulfate Test [Release date 2009] VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD

Fills

Fills 1. Total Contents of Bottles and Cans by Calculation from Measured Net Weight [Release date 1991] VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD

Fills 2. Total Contents of Cans of Known Tare Weight [Release date 1991] VIEW SUMMARY | VIEW METHOD



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- Supplier packaging raw materials
 - Incoming raw material analysis ie/ how do you assess labels, cartons, glass, cans before they are put on the line - there are many checks and approaches to this
 - Raw material defects this is a course on its own and main quality problems we face - again there are many methods out these for this that can be shared
- Analytical quality TPO, C02, headspace 02, fills, residual water in bottles
- Micro quality best practices on sanitation, methods for analyzing chemical usage, methods for assessing hygiene
- Label quality many different quality problems here and methods for assessing quality
- Carton "box" checks ie when bottles are put in boxes there are many different approaches to assess quality here
- Coding

