



Application Form

Directions: This form is to be completed by breweries applying to become members of the New York Green Business (NYGB) program. This program is voluntary. There is no cost to apply or participate. For more information regarding NYGB program requirements, refer to the NYGB Brewery Guidance. Contact the Pollution Prevention Unit at nygb@dec.ny.gov or 518-402-9159 with any questions.

Completed applications must have an original or electronic signature by the brewery owner or authorized party. Submit application via email to nygb@dec.ny.gov. A confirmation email will be provided.

Section A: Brewery Information:

Name of Brewery

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Contact Person's Name

Contact Person's Phone:

Contact Person's Email

Brewery Website (or Facebook page)

Mailing Address (if different than street address)

How did you hear about NYGB

Does the brewery serve food? (this does NOT include having food trucks on site) If yes, then please fill out Section E.

Yes

No

License(s) that the brewery holds

Traditional Brewery License

Microbrewery License

Farm Brewery License

Restaurant Brewery License

Section B: Background Information:

1. Please provide a brief description and history of the brewery: (include information on size (including amount of barrels produced per year), type of beer/food served, and the community/neighborhood it is located in)

2. Please provide a brief description and history of the brewery's sustainability program and related initiatives: (include information on how the program began, what impact areas it covers, awards or honors won, previous and ongoing projects, participation in charitable work or donations, etc.)

Section C: Commitment to Compliance

To become a member of NYGB a brewery must demonstrate a commitment to compliance with all applicable federal, state, local, and tribal laws and requirements. Breweries applying to become members of NYEL must also meet the basic compliance standards for entrance to NYGB, which can be found in the [NYGB Guidance](#).

If the brewery holds a farm brewery license, compliance with the local purchasing requirements is necessary for entrance and continued participation in NYGB.

Breweries must also be in compliance with the [New York State Bottle Bill](#) to become a member of NYGB.

In addition, the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) will conduct a compliance screening on all applicants via the process outlined in the NYGB Guidance to ensure that applicants meet the NYGB compliance standards.

This brewery is in compliance with all applicable federal, state, local and tribal laws and requirements and commits to staying in compliance while a member of NYGB.

If you are currently not in compliance, and still believe that you meet the basic compliance standard for entry to NYGB, please discuss your situation below:

As part of their commitment to compliance, breweries in NYGB must ensure that their wastewater is treated properly. Please list below either the name of the municipal wastewater treatment system that the brewery discharges to or its State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (SPDES) permit number if it has on-site treatment and discharge.

Section D: Brewery Requirements

Note: Breweries must meet all of the requirements below to become a member of NYGB. More information on these requirements can be found in the NYGB Brewery Guidance. *Please check the box under each requirement* to affirm that the brewery meets it and fill in any required responses below.

I certify that this brewery:

1. Has a written sustainability statement that communicates its commitment to sustainability.

Please enter your sustainability statement below:

2. Has a system in place to track the following per barrel of beer produced:

•Electricity Usage • Fuel Usage • Water Usage •Waste Generation

3. Diverts its spent grain from landfill.

Please describe below how it disposes of its spent grain. (include information on where it goes, how it is transported, and how it is ultimately used)

4. Uses non-disposable glassware/cups/plates/bowls/silverware, unless otherwise required by local law or permit, such as at an outdoor event.

5. Recycles the following items:

• Plastics • Paper • Glass • Metals • Waste Kitchen Oil (if applicable) • Electronics • Ink Cartridges

6. Does not sell its products in single use or disposable kegs.

7. Has installed energy efficient lighting, defined as light emitting diodes (LEDs), compact fluorescent lights (CFLs), or T-5 fluorescent lamps, or any combination of these, in all fixtures that are controlled by the brewery. This does NOT include marquee, accent, or neon lighting.

Once a member of NYGB, this brewery will install lighting products that are of the types mentioned above and are [Energy Star](#) labeled as it replaces its lighting.

8. Has a system in place to recover and reuse heat from the brewing process.

Please describe the system that the brewery uses to recover and reuse waste heat:

9. Commits to purchasing [Energy Star](#) labeled products, where applicable, to replace items and appliances that are at the end of their useful life once a member of NYGB.

10. Has insulated fermentation tanks.

11. Has insulated glycol lines.

12. Has a physical barrier (a door, plastic curtains, etc.) between its cold storage areas and its production area.

13. Carries out a regular preventative maintenance program for its chillers and boilers.

14. Commits to having [Water Sense](#) labeled fixtures, faucets, and sprayers installed in all applications, where applicable, by the end of its three year membership period.

15. Uses green cleaning products in its taproom/tasting room, food service area (if applicable), retail areas, and restrooms, defined as products that are certified and carry the label of either [Green Seal](#) or UL [EcoLogo](#).

[Note: This does NOT include food contact or laundry sanitizers. It also does NOT include cleaning necessary for the brewing process or in the brewhouse.]

16. Effectively communicates its sustainability commitment to its customers and employees, including providing training on sustainability initiatives to employees and gathering overall feedback on its program.

Please describe your sustainability communications and employee training below:

While not a requirement for NYGB, it is recommended that breweries also recycle the plastic strapping that holds their pallets, shrink wrap that comes with ingredients, and their grain bags. If this brewery recycles these items, please describe the process you use below, including the name of the recycling service you use:

While also not a requirement for NYGB, it is recommended that breweries utilize a clean in place method of cleaning brewing equipment. Please check the box below if this brewery uses a clean in place method of cleaning.

Section E: Food Service Requirements

Note: Please only read and fill out this section if the brewery serves food. This does NOT include breweries that have food trucks on site, but do not serve food themselves. The brewery must meet all of the following requirements to become a member of NYGB. More information on these requirements can be found in the NYGB Brewery Guidance document. *Please check the box under each requirement* to affirm that the brewery meets it and fill in any required responses below.

I certify that this brewery:

1. Purchases at least 10% of its food from New York State growers and producers.

Please list and describe the New York State foods that the brewery serves. Include information on the type of food, where it is produced, and, if possible, the overall percentage of food purchased that comes from within New York State.

2. Does not use or give customers polystyrene, or polystyrene foam (also known as styrofoam), containers, such as take out boxes and coffee cups.

While not a requirement for entrance to NYGB, many breweries divert their food waste from landfills by donating, composting, or sending it to an anaerobic digester. If this brewery diverts its food waste, please describe the process below:

Section G: Future Sustainability Commitment

Breweries that are members of NYGB must commit to make an improvement(s) in one area of their environmental footprint. Breweries that hold a traditional brewery license must make two commitments. Breweries that hold a farm, micro, or restaurant brewery license must make one commitment.

Commitment(s) must go beyond compliance with environmental laws and regulations. The brewery will work towards achieving the commitment during its three year membership period in NYGB with the expectation that it will either achieve, or make significant progress towards, the commitment by the end of its membership period.

The category should be what you are impacting (energy use, materials purchased, water use), the indicator should be the specific part of that impact (total electricity use, local food purchased, total water use), and the units should be how the amount is measured (kWh, percentage of total food purchased, gallons). The baseline year should be the last year that you have complete data for (Ex. 2016 if applying in 2017). Samples of completed sustainability commitment sections and a list of ideas for sustainability commitments can be found in the NYGB Brewery Guidance.

Sustainability Commitment 1

Category Indicator Units

Baseline Year Baseline Amount Goal Year Goal Amount

How will this commitment be achieved:

If this commitment is regulated, please discuss how it goes beyond compliance with current regulations:

What is the time line for completing this commitment:

What are the environmental benefits of this commitment:

Will progress on this commitment be reported in a normalized manner? If so, describe the normalization factor used below:

Sustainability Commitment 2

Category

Indicator

Units

Baseline

Year

Baseline Amount

Goal Year

Goal Amount

How will this commitment be achieved:

If this commitment is regulated, please discuss how it goes beyond compliance with current regulations:

What is the time line for completing this commitment:

What are the environmental benefits of this commitment:

Will progress on this commitment be reported in a normalized manner? If so, describe the normalization factor to be used below:

Section I: Application and Commitment Statement

- I have read and agree to the terms and conditions for application and participation in the NYGB program, as specified in the NYGB Brewery Guidance and the NYGB Guidance
- I have personally examined and am familiar with the information contained in this application. The information contained in this application is, to the best of my knowledge and based on reasonable inquiry, true, accurate, and complete.
- Based on the foregoing compliance assessment and subsequent correction actions (if any were necessary), my facility is, to the best of my knowledge and based on reasonable inquiry, currently in compliance with applicable federal, state, local, and tribal requirements.
- I understand that this application does not guarantee acceptance into the NYGB program and is contingent upon DEC approval of the application and potential verification visit by NYGB staff.
- I understand that verification of the requirements for entry will be conducted during an on site visit by NYGB staff if the restaurant is accepted into the NYGB program.
- I am the owner or authorized facility signatory, and am fully authorized to execute this statement on behalf of the brewery that is applying to this program.

Applicant Signature

Print Name:

Signature:

Title:

Date: