

## M20 BEER KEGS



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Beer keg and cask containers are manufactured from aluminum and stainless steel may still be pressurised from previous use. They are used to package, transport and dispense beers from over 700 breweries and micro-breweries in UK. Beer kegs and casks may be coated in paint for identification purposes. They are often used with compressed gas cylinders to activate and dispense the beer inside. They are of standard sizes to suit ease of delivery and handling and may display the name of supplier and beer. All beer kegs and casks should be returned to the original supplier or recycled by an accredited waste management company - refer to Further Reading below. **It is a crime** to illegally handle or dispose of beer kegs and casks or their parts.

## WASTE STREAMS

### DISPOSAL

Beer kegs and casks should never be disposed to landfill.

### RECOVERY

There are no options for recovering beer kegs or casks.

### RECYCLE

Beer kegs and casks should only be recycled by the original supplier, their representative or an accredited waste management company.

### RECLAIM

Beer kegs and casks should be returned to the original supplier for cleaning, checks and reuse. Use the Beer Keg Identity Tool in Further Reading.

## USAGE & PROBABLE LOCATIONS

Unwanted and unidentifiable beer kegs and casks are occasionally found on derelict sites where the previous use was a pub, club or entertainment venue. They may have been used for the previous function of the facility or for events and may be found in bars, store rooms or basements. They must be returned to the original supplier, their appointed representative or an accredited waste management facility.

## PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

PPE requirements indicated are for guidance purposes only. DRIDS has identified the PPE that is mandatory on all demolition projects and ones that may be required subject to site specific Risk Assessment & Method Statement (RAMS).



## REMOVAL, SEGREGATION & STORAGE

Unwanted or unidentifiable beer kegs or casks should be stored carefully and safely and arrangements made for return to the original supplier. They should be stored upright on pallets and taped together if possible. They should be stored safely and out of sight to prevent theft and away from all plant movements and site activities. Beer kegs and casks destined for return, reuse or recycling should only be released to the legitimate owner, their appointed representative or an accredited waste management facility. Refer to the Accredited Scrap Yard List or contact Keg Watch or the British Beer & Pub Association for further details - refer to Further Reading.

## TOOLS

Trolley, lock and chain, lockable compound or room.

## FIXTURES, FITTINGS & CONNECTIONS

Beer kegs and casks are generally stored in a basement, rack, cradle or stand designed specifically for that purpose. Racks and stands may be fixed in place with brackets, expansion bolts, nuts & bolts, screws or grout.

## HEALTH & SAFETY

**Subject to task-specific Risk Assessment & Method Statement (RAMS).** Use correct overalls and protective equipment for handling kegs or casks. Wear rubber coated gloves when handling kegs and casks to prevent irritation and maintain a strong grip. Wear eye protection in case of accidental discharge.

## FURTHER READING

Demolition Code of Practice  
Keg Watch to Prevent Crime  
WRAP Resource Efficiency in Brewing  
BBPA Keg & Cask Disposal  
Beer Keg Identify Tool  
Accredited Scrap Yard List  
Keg & Cask Disposal Best Practice  
Keg Watch Criminal Conviction Note  
Keg or Cask Disposal What to Do

## TRAINING

Manual Handling