

Container master database

Instructions for use

The container master database is intended to hold details of all colour bands registered to brewers. This predominantly applies to UK brewers but containers from other nations are also included. The database goes further than the previous register of bands by including details on height, weight, sizes in use and also has the ability to display photos. The search function is also much more user-friendly so should make identifying foreign containers simpler. The database can be found [here](#).

Basic search function

The database is set up with the option to select three colour bands. The search function is very straightforward. If a colour is selected in 'Band 1' and the other bands are left as 'Select Colour' then it will search for all containers that have that colour at the top regardless of how many colour bands there are.

If a colour is selected in 'Band 1' and the other bands are set to 'None' then only one-band red containers will be returned. These principles apply for two and three colour bands as well.

Once the search terms are returned you are able to look at details of each brewer with containers that match the search criteria. This will also list other containers owner by that brewer.

Advanced search function

Next to the search button is an advanced search button. Pressing this takes you to a new list of criteria. This works along the same lines as above but allows the user to search on brewer name, previous owner, size, height and weight, as well as colour.

Adding company details

Companies must be set up by the BBPA and only the BBPA can register colours to a brewer. Once the brewer is registered log-in details will be sent out. Once logged-in the brewer can edit their details by clicking on 'My company details' in the top-right hand corner. This will list the current details held about the brewer. Clicking on 'Edit Details' will allow the user to make changes to the current settings.

Changes can be made to the address and contact details, and there is also the option to add a regional office (this could be particularly useful for SIBA members who use a SIBA depot). At the bottom of this page is a listing of the kegs registered to the company. Clicking 'Edit Keg Details' allows the user to access more detailed information and also to add, edit or remove different container sizes. The comments field allows the brewer to flag up and distinctive points about the keg that may assist in repatriation.

Spa-Trak

There is a link in the top-right hand corner of the database that will open up Spa-Trak in a new window, allowing brewers identifying the owner of containers to then input them on Spa-Trak, alerting the owner.