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## NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE IN FORENSIC SERVICES: BEVERAGE ALCOHOL TESTING

Please be advised that due to limited agency requests for quantitative testing of alcohol in nonbiological liquid evidence items (e.g., beverages), the Massachusetts State Police Crime Laboratory (MSPCL) has made the decision to discontinue in-house quantitative testing only for these items.

Please note that this change in service does not impact qualitative testing. Nonbiological liquid submissions will continue to be tested for the presence of alcohol (e.g., ethanol, methanol), however, a quantitative determination for alcohol content will not be performed.

If your agency requires quantitative testing for alcohol content in nonbiological liquid evidence, the MSPCL will assist with identifying a laboratory providing this service and facilitate the request for testing as needed.

If you have any questions regarding this notice or if you require assistance with locating an alternative testing laboratory, please contact the MSPCL Case Management Unit at 978-451-3440 or <a href="mass.gov">mspclcmu@mass.gov</a>.