# LIGHT STABLE KETTLE EXTRACT



### **OVERVIEW**

- Light Stable Kettle Extract (LSKE) is produced from CO<sub>2</sub> extract and can be used as a complete replacement for regular kettle extract in the brewing process.
- LSKE contains reduced (rho) isomerized alpha acids (in their potassium salt form), beta acids and hop essential oils.
- LSKE provides substantial protection against light-struck flavor when used as the sole source for bitterness.
- LSKE is the only light stable hop product which can be added during wort boiling, contributing to both, bitterness and hop aroma.

PROPERTIES	
APPEARANCE	Reddish or yellow-green in colour, <b>LSKE</b> is a thick syrup that becomes more fluid when warmed.
UTILISATION	Based on HPLC analysis of the finished beer, utilsation of rho Iso-Alpha acids within a range of 45 - 55% can be expected. Utilsation is likely to be at least 50% higher than that achieved with regular CO <sub>2</sub> Extracts. Late additions of <b>LSKE</b> greatly enhance hop oil retention. Actual utilsation with vary from brewery to brewery due to differences in
	equipment and process conditions.
FLAVOUR	Unlike other rho iso-products added postfermentation, the flavor characteristics of <b>LSKE</b> are similar to those of regular CO <sub>2</sub> Extract. The additional presence of both beta acids and hop oils in this extract imparts a more rounded and fuller flavor to beer.  Compared to regular Iso-Alpha products reduced Iso-Alpha (rho) lend a smoother, non-lingering bitterness to beer. Depending on the total bitterness and type of beer, the intensity of the bitterness of rho iso-alpha acids is 60 - 70% of that achieved with regular Iso-Alpha acids. Thus, the sensory factor of rho iso-alpha acids is 0.6 - 0.7 times the bitterness of iso-alpha acids at the value of 1.0.  If added at the end of the boil, <b>LSKE</b> imparts a typical late hop aroma to the
	beer.
QUALITY	All Ellerslie Australia products are processed in facilities which fulfill internationally recognized quality standards.

QUICK SPECS	
DESCRIPTION	Reddish to yellow-green, semi-fluid syrup or paste.
RHO ISO-ALPHA ACIDS*	35 - 45%
ISO-ALPHA ACIDS	Below detection limit
ALPHA ACIDS	Below detection limit
BETA ACIDS*	5 - 30%
HOP OIL*	3.0 - 10%
РН	7.5 - 8.0 (in water)
VISCOSITY	200 - 600 mPas at 50°C (122°F)
DENSITY	1.05 - 1.10g/ml at 20°C (68 °F)

<sup>\*</sup>dependent on variety and crop year

# TYPICAL COMPARISON OF PRIMARY COMPOUNDS IN LSKE & CO2 EXTRACT ALPHA ACIDS ISO-ALPHA RHO ISO-ALPHA ACIDS BETA ACIDS BETA ACIDS LSKE CO2 EXTRACT

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PROPERTIES	
LIGHT STABILITY	<b>LSKE</b> only provides protection against light struck flavor in the complete absence of alpha acids and Iso-Alpha acids.
	<b>LSKE</b> can be used in conjunction with any Ellerslie Australia light stable product to achieve light stability.
CHEMICAL RESIDUES	Nitrates and heavy metals are almost entirely eliminated in <b>LSKE</b> . In addition, pesticide residues are also largely removed by the CO <sub>2</sub> extraction process.
PACKAGING	<b>LSKE</b> can be packed in cans, pales and drums according to customer requirements:
	Cans: 0.5 - 4kgs (USA)
	0.5 - 4.2kgs (Germany)
	Pales: 4 - 20kgs (USA only)
	Drums: 50 and 200kgs
	<b>LSKE</b> can be produces to the rho Iso-Alpha acid concentration desired by our customer and packaged in cans (E.G. 450g of alpha acids per can).

PRODUCT USE	
STORAGE	<b>LSKE</b> should be stored in sealed containers at temperatures < 10° (50°F). Opened containers should be used within a few days.
BEST BEFORE DATE	<b>LSKE</b> is stable for 6 years from the date it was produced/packaged if stored under the recommended conditions.
SAFETY	LSKE is derived from natural raw materials and may be safely handled using routine precautions to avoid contact with skin and, in particular, the eyes. Any products coming into contact with the skin should be washed of immediately with soap and water or an appropriate hand cleanser.  If LSKE gets into the eyes, flush with copious amounts of water until clear and seek medical attention.

### **PRODUCT USE**

**LSKE** is typically added to the wort kettle as a complete or partial replacement for any other light stable hop product. Furthermore, the dosage of **LSKE** during wort boiling reduces the risk of bacterial infection.

### DOSAGE

Kettle additions of **LSKE** are based on the concentration of rho Iso-Alpha acids, an estimated or known utilization, the sensory factor of rho Iso-Alpha acids and the desired intensity of bitterness in the beer.

**LSKE** can be added in a manner similar to regular kettle extracts. For instance, **LSKE** can be added in the kettle when the transfer of lauter wort to the kettle commences, at the beginning of the boil or up to 5 minutes before casting out the wort.

### **ADDITION**

Pre-warming cans of **LSKE** is not necessary. Suspending punctured cans in the boiling wort will ensure that all of the extract is completely flushed out into the kettle.

If **LSKE** is added by means of automatic dosing units, it should be warmed to 50 - 60°C (112 - 140°F) and gently mixed to ensure perfect dosing.

For maximum protection against lightstruck flavor, it is essential that no other sources of non-reduced Iso-Alpha acids are inadvertently introduced into the wort or beer. Therefore, the following must be carefully implemented:

# FOR LIGHT STABLE BEER

- Exclusive use of light stable hop products throughout the entire process.
- Avoid contamination through equipment surfaces previously in contact with regular Iso- Alpha acids.
- Never pitch wort with yeast that has been in contact with regular alpha and iso-alpha acids.

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### **ANALYTICAL METHODS**

# CONCENTRATION OF BITTER SUBSTANCES

The concentrations of rho iso-alpha acids, beta acids and residual isoalpha and alpha acids can be measured using the following methods:

- HPLC according to Analytica
  - EBC 7.8 and 7.9

# CONCENTRATION OF RESIDUAL HOP OIL

The hop oil concentration can be measured using the following methods:

- Analytica EBC 7.10
- ASBC Hops 13

# CONCENTRATION OF REDUCED ISO-ALPHA ACIDS IN BEER

The concentration of reduced iso-alpha acids in beer can be measured by HPLC according to Analytica-EBC 9.47.

Note: It is possible that analysis results for the corresponding value for bitterness must be adjusted. The factor used in this analysis will result in lower values if reduced hop products were used as the exclusive source for bitterness or in higher amounts.

### **TECHNICAL SUPPORT**

We are pleased to offer assistance and advice on the full range of Ellerslie Australia products:

- · Copies of all relevant analytical procedures
- Safety Data Sheets (SDS)
- Assistance with pilot or full-scale brewing trials
- Special analytical services

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