



The British Association of Flower Essences Producers

BAFEP Statement on 'Essence Plagiarism'

It has been brought to BAFEP's attention on several occasions that people buying essences off BAFEP producers are then using those essences to make up their own essences and selling them under their own label.

This we have come to recognise this as 'essence plagiarism'.

It is akin to buying a book and because you paid for the book, you consider you are free to quote or use sections of that book in your own publication, without permission of the original author. This is recognised as plagiarism and breaches the original author's copyright. People doing this are likely to be taken to court and the author to seek redress or compensation for the plagiarism.

This is very similar to using a producer's essence(s) to make up separate, saleable essences or combinations under a new label...**without the written permission of the original producer.**

It is unethical to use a producer's essences in this way and it could leave the person who misuses products they have bought, open to prosecution in the civil courts.

This has nothing to do with essence practitioners making up dosage bottles for their clients. Use of bought essences in this way does not constitute 'essence plagiarism'.

If you have queries about essences you have been sold, please contact:

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