



Washington State
Liquor Control Board


Liquor Control Board Interim Policy BIP-04-2015

Subject: Special Distillery/Craft Distillery Permit
Effective Date: July 24, 2015
Ending Date: Upon adoption of rules to implement this policy.

Approved:



Jane Rushford, Chairman



Ruthann Kurose, Board Member



Russ Hauge, Board Member

Purpose:

SSB 5353 created a distillery/craft distillery permit for a manufacturer of spirits. The permit becomes effective July 24, 2015. This interim policy will provide assistance and clarity to persons applying for the special distillery/craft distillery permit until permanent rules can be adopted by the board.

Policy Statement

- (1) A special distillery/craft distillery permit is for Washington distillers only.
- (2) A special distillery/craft distillery permit allows a manufacturer of spirits to have an event not open to the general public at a specific place and date for the purpose of tasting spirits and selling spirits of its own production for off-premises consumption.
- (3) The distillery or craft distillery must obtain the special permit by submitting an application for a Class 19 Special Distillery/Craft Distillery Permit to the board with a ten dollar permit fee.
 - The application must be submitted to the board at least ten days prior to the event.
 - The special permit must be posted at the event.
- (4) The licensee is limited to twelve events per calendar year.