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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 11-01-133, filed 12/21/10, effective 1/21/11)

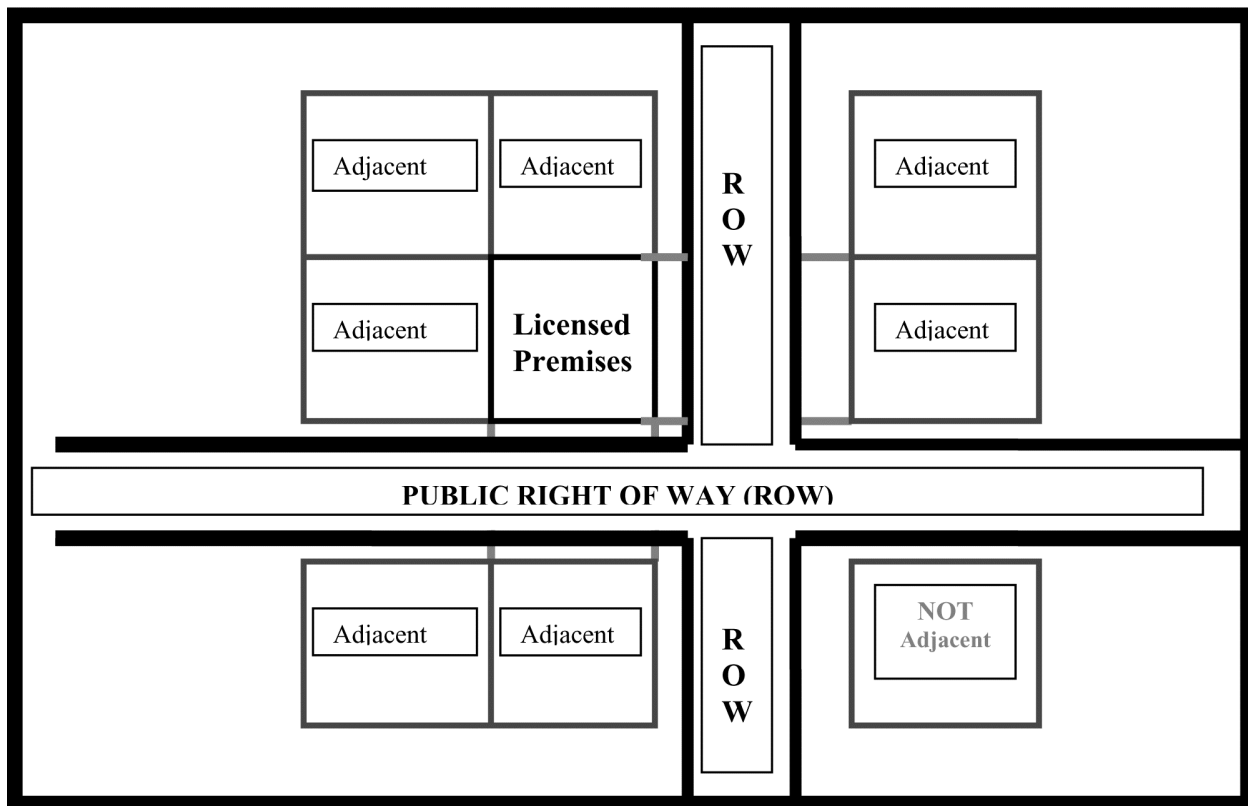
WAC 314-02-005 What is the purpose of chapter 314-02 WAC? Chapter 314-02 WAC outlines the qualifications for the following liquor licenses:

- (1) Spirits, beer, and wine restaurants;
- (2) Nightclubs;
- (3) Spirits, beer, and wine restaurant restricted;
- (4) Hotels;
- (5) Spirits, beer, and wine theater;
- (6) Beer and wine theater;
- (7) VIP airport lounge;
- (8) Beer and/or wine restaurants;
- ~~((6))~~ (9) Sports/entertainment facilities;
- ~~((7))~~ (10) Snack bars;
- ~~((8))~~ (11) Taverns;
- ~~((9))~~ (12) Motels;
- ~~((10))~~ (13) Nonprofit arts organizations;
- ~~((11))~~ (14) Grocery stores;
- ~~((12))~~ (15) Beer/wine specialty shops; (~~and~~
~~(13))~~ (16) Beer/wine gift delivery businesses;
- (17) Spirits retailer;
- (18) Caterers; and
- (19) Senior center.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 11-01-133, filed 12/21/10, effective 1/21/11)

WAC 314-02-010 Definitions. The following definitions are to clarify the purpose and intent of the rules and laws governing liquor licenses and permits. Additional definitions can be found in RCW 66.04.010.

(1) "Adjacent" means having a common endpoint or border where the extension of the property lines of the licensed premises contacts that common border.



(2) "Appetizer" means a small portion of food served before the main course of a meal to stimulate the appetite. An appetizer does not qualify as minimum food service.

(3) "Banquet room" means any room used primarily for the sale and service of food and liquor to private groups.

(4) "Customer service area" means areas where food and/or liquor are normally sold and served to the public, i.e., lounges and dining areas. A banquet room is not considered a customer service area.

(5) "Dedicated dining area." In order for an area to qualify as a dedicated dining area, it must be a distinct portion inside of a restaurant that is used primarily for the sale, service, and consumption of food, and have accommodations for eating, e.g., tables, chairs, booths, etc. See WAC 314-02-025 for more information.

(6) "Designated area" means a space where alcohol may be sold, served, or consumed.

(7) "Entertainer" means someone who performs for an audience such as a disc jockey, singer, or comedian, or anyone providing entertainment services for the licensee. An entertainer is considered an employee of the liquor licensee per WAC 314-01-005. Patrons participating in entertainment are not considered employees.

(8) "Entertainment" means dancing, karaoke, singing, comedy shows, concerts, TV broadcasts, contests with patron participation and/or performing for an audience.

(9) "Food counter" means a table or counter set up for the primary purpose of food service to customers who sit or stand at the counter. Any alcohol served is incidental to food service.

(10) "Game room" means an area of a business set up for the primary purpose of patrons using games or gaming devices.

(11) "Limited food service" means items such as appetizers, sandwiches, salads, soups, pizza, hamburgers, or fry orders.

(12) "Liquor bar" means a table or counter where alcohol is stored or prepared and served to customers who sit or stand at the bar. Liquor bars can only be in lounges or in premises where minors are not allowed at any time.

(13) "Lounge" means the portion of a restaurant used primarily for the preparation, sale, and service of beer, wine, or spirits. Minors are not allowed in a lounge (see RCW 66.44.316 for information on employees and professional musicians under twenty-one years of age).

(14) "Minimum food service" means items such as sandwiches, salad, soup, pizza, hamburgers, and fry orders.

(15) "Minor" means a person under twenty-one years of age.

(16) "On-premises liquor licensed premises" means a building in which a business is located inside that is allowed to sell alcohol for consumption on the licensed premises.

(17) "Service bar" means a fixed or portable table, counter, cart, or similar work station primarily used to prepare, mix, serve, and sell alcohol that is picked up by employees or customers. Customers may not be seated or allowed to consume food or alcohol at a service bar.

(18) "Snack food" means items such as peanuts, popcorn, and chips.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 15-01-001, filed 12/3/14, effective 1/3/15)

WAC 314-02-015 What is a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license? (1) Per RCW 66.24.400, this license allows a restaurant to:

(a) Serve spirits by the individual glass for on-premises consumption;

(b) Serve beer by the bottle or can or by tap for on-premises consumption;

(c) Serve wine for on-premises consumption;

(d) Allow patrons to remove recorked wine from the licensed premises;

(e) Sell wine by the bottle for off-premises consumption with the appropriate endorsement; and

(f) Sell kegs of malt liquor with the appropriate endorsement. This endorsement also allows the sale of beer or cider as defined in RCW 66.24.210(6) to a purchaser in a sanitary container brought to the premises by the purchaser or furnished by the licensee and filled at the tap by the retailer at the time of sale.

(2) To obtain and maintain a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license, the restaurant must be open to the public at least five hours a day during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m., three days a week.

(3) All applicants for a spirits, beer, and wine license must establish, to the satisfaction of the board, ~~((that))~~ the premises will operate as a bona fide restaurant. The term "bona fide restaurant" ~~((is defined in RCW 66.24.410(2)))~~ means a business where the board can clearly determine that the primary purpose of the business is the service of complete meals. "Complete meals" is defined in WAC 314-02-035.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 11-23-045, filed 11/9/11, effective 12/10/11)

WAC 314-02-020 What are the fee categories for a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license? (1) Per RCW 66.24.420, the annual fee for a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license is graduated, as follows:

Amount of customer service area dedicated to dining	Annual fee
100%	\$1,000
50 - 99%	\$1,600
Less than 50%	\$2,000

(2) In order for an area to qualify as a dedicated dining area it must be a separate and distinct portion inside of a restaurant that is used primarily for the sale, service, and consumption of food, and have accommodations for eating, e.g., tables, chairs, booths, etc. Areas dedicated to live music or entertainment, such as dance floors or stages are not considered dedicated dining areas. Dedicated dining areas may not contain:

- (a) Liquor bars (see definition under WAC 314-02-010(2)); or
- (b) Areas dedicated to games or gaming devices.

(3) The fee for a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license outside of an incorporated city or town will be prorated according to the calendar quarters the licensee is open for business. This proration does not apply in the case of a suspension or revocation of the license.

(4) A duplicate license is required in order to sell liquor from more than one site on your property. These sites must be located on the same property and owned by the same licensee. The following types of businesses may apply for a duplicate license:

Type of Business	Annual fee per duplicate license
Airport terminal	25% of annual license fee
Civic center (such as a convention center)	\$10
Privately owned facility open to the public	\$20

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 11-01-133, filed 12/21/10, effective 1/21/11)

WAC 314-02-025 What are the floor space requirements to obtain and maintain a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license or a beer and wine restaurant license? (1) The liquor ~~((control))~~ and cannabis board has the responsibility to classify what licensed premises or what portions of the licensed premises are off-limits to minors. (RCW 66.44.310(2).) Minors may not purchase, possess, or consume liquor, and may not enter any areas that are classified as off-limits to minors. (RCW 66.44.290 and 66.44.310.) The purpose of this rule is to

clarify the ways in which licensees can prevent minors from consuming alcohol or entering restricted areas.

(2) Dedicated dining areas - If a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensee or a beer and wine restaurant licensee that allows minors chooses to have live music, Karaoke, patron dancing, live entertainment, or contests involving physical participation by patrons in the dedicated dining area after 11:00 p.m., the licensee must either:

(a) Request board approval to reclassify the dining area to a lounge for the period of time that live entertainment is conducted, thus restricting minors during that time; or

(b) Notify the board's licensing and regulation division in writing at least forty-eight hours in advance that the sale, service, and consumption of liquor will end in the dedicated dining area after 11:00 p.m.

Request or notifications may cover one event or a series of recurring events over a period of time.

(3) **Barriers** - Licensees must place barriers around areas that are classified as off-limits to minors and around game rooms.

(a) The barriers must clearly separate restricted areas, and must be at least forty-two inches high.

(b) The barriers must be permanently affixed (folding or retractable doors or other barriers that are permanently affixed are acceptable). A portable or moveable rope and stanchion is not acceptable. Those licensees that have been approved by the board for moveable barriers prior to the effective date of this rule may keep their (~~moveable~~) moveable barriers until the licensee requests alterations to the premises or the premises change ownership.

(c) (~~Liquor bars cannot be used as the required barriers (see definition of liquor bar in WAC 314-02-010(10)).~~) Structures where customers can sit or stand and consume food or liquor are not acceptable as a barrier.

(d) Entrances to restricted areas may not be wider than ten feet. If a licensee has more than one entrance along one wall, the total entrance areas may not exceed ten feet.

(e) "Minor prohibited" signs, as required by WAC 314-11-060(1), must be posted at each entrance to restricted areas.

(4) If the business allows minors, the business's primary entrance must open directly into a dedicated dining area or into a neutral area, such as a lobby or foyer, that leads directly to a dedicated dining area. Minors must be able to access restrooms without passing through a lounge or other age-restricted area.

(5) **Floor plans** - When applying for a license, the applicant must provide to the board's licensing and regulation division two copies of a detailed drawing of the entire premises. The drawing must:

(a) Be drawn one foot to one-quarter-inch scale;

(b) Have all rooms labeled according to their use; e.g., dining room, lounge, game room, kitchen, etc.; and

(c) Have all barriers labeled in a descriptive way; e.g., "full wall," "half wall," etc.

(6) **Convention centers** - To qualify for a convention center there must be two or more rooms that provide space and accommodations for private events only. Licensees holding a convention center may only sell alcohol for private events at the licensed premises.

WAC 314-02-035 What are the food service requirements for a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license? (1) A spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensee must serve at least eight complete meals. The board may make an exception to the eight complete meal requirement on a case-by-case basis. Establishments shall be maintained in a substantial manner as a place for preparing, cooking and serving of complete meals. For purposes of this title:

(a) "Complete meal" means an entree and at least one side dish.

(b) "Entree" means the main course of a meal. Some examples of entrees are fish, steak, chicken, pork, pasta, pizza, hamburgers, seafood salad, Cobb salad, chef's salad, sandwiches, and breakfast items (as long as they include a side dish). Entrees do not include snack items, or menu items which consist solely of precooked frozen food that is reheated, or consist solely of carry-out items obtained from another business.

(c) Examples of side dishes are soups, vegetables, salads, potatoes, french fries, rice, fruit, and bread. Garnishes such as, but not limited to, pickles, salsa, and dips do not qualify as a side dish.

(2) The restaurant must maintain the kitchen equipment necessary to prepare the complete meals required under this section.

(3) The complete meals must be prepared on the restaurant premises.

(4) A chef or cook must be on duty while complete meals are offered.

(5) A menu must be available to customers.

(6) The food items required to maintain the menu must be on the restaurant premises. These items must be edible.

(7) Restaurants that have one hundred percent dedicated dining area must maintain complete meal service any time liquor is available for sale, service, or consumption.

(8) Restaurants with less than one hundred percent dedicated dining area must maintain complete meal service for a minimum of five hours a day during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m., ~~((five))~~ three days a week. ~~((The board may consider written requests for exceptions to this requirement due to demonstrated hardship, under such terms and conditions as the board determines are in the best interests of the public.))~~

Limited food service, such as appetizers, sandwiches, salads, soups, pizza, hamburgers, or fry orders, must be available outside of these hours. Snacks such as peanuts, popcorn, and chips do not qualify as limited food service.

(9) The hours of complete meal service must be conspicuously posted on the premises or listed on the menu. A statement that limited food service is available outside of those hours must also be posted or listed on the menu.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 10-01-091, filed 12/16/09, effective 1/16/10)

WAC 314-02-037 What are the floor space requirements for a spirits, beer, and wine nightclub license? (1) The liquor ~~((control))~~ and cannabis board has the responsibility to classify what licensed premises or what portions of a licensed premises are off limits to minors.

(a) Any areas in the licensed premises where alcohol is sold, served, or consumed is classified as off-limits to minors (RCW 66.44.310(2)).

(b) Minors may be allowed on the licensed premises but only in areas where alcohol is not served or consumed.

(2) **Barriers** - Licensees must place barriers separating restricted areas from areas where minors will be allowed.

(a) The barriers must clearly separate restricted areas and must be at least forty-two inches high.

(b) The barriers may be moveable.

(c) ~~((Liquor bars cannot be used as barriers (see definition of liquor bar in WAC 314-02-010(10)).~~

~~((d))~~ Entrances to restricted areas may not be wider than ten feet. If a licensee has more than one entrance along one wall, the total entrance areas may not exceed ten feet.

~~((e))~~ (d) "Minor prohibited" signs, as required under WAC 314-11-060(1), must be posted at each entrance to a restricted area.

(3) If the business allows minors, the primary entrance must open directly into a nonrestricted area. Minors must be able to access restrooms without passing through a restricted area.

(4) **Floor plans** - When applying for a spirits, beer, and wine nightclub license, the applicant must provide to the board's licensing and regulation division two copies of a detailed drawing of the entire premises. If there will be different floor plans for different types of events that change the location and/or dimensions of the restricted area(s), the applicant must provide two copies of a detailed drawing for each floor plan. All restricted areas must be designated on the floor plan(s) and be approved by the board. The drawing must be labeled with the type of event. The drawing must:

(a) Have all rooms labeled according to their use; e.g., lounge, dance floor, stage area, foyer, restrooms, etc.; and

(b) Have all barriers labeled in a descriptive way; e.g., "full wall," "half wall," etc.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 11-23-045, filed 11/9/11, effective 12/10/11)

WAC 314-02-043 What is a VIP airport lounge license? (1) Per RCW ~~((66.24.XXX))~~ 66.24.610, a VIP airport lounge liquor license allows a VIP airport lounge licensee to sell or provide spirits, wine, and beer for on-premises consumption as a retail licensed premises.

(a) A VIP airport lounge is a retail establishment in an international airport, beyond security checkpoints.

(b) The VIP airport lounge liquor licensee must be the entity in control of the day-to-day operations of the VIP airport lounge.

(c) Spirits, beer, and wine to be sold or provided complimentary by the individual serving for on-premises consumption to persons at least twenty-one years of age or older.

(d) Customers may not remove spirits, beer, and wine from the premises at any time.

(e) The VIP airport lounge licensee may only serve liquor from a service bar. A service bar is a work station primarily used to prepare and sell alcoholic beverages that are picked up by the customer. Customers are not permitted to mix their own drinks, sit or consume food or alcohol at the service bar.

(f) All alcohol servers must have a valid MAST permit.

(2) The annual fee for this license is two thousand dollars.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 11-23-045, filed 11/9/11, effective 12/10/11)

WAC 314-02-044 Application process and guidelines for a VIP airport lounge liquor license. (1) RCW 66.24.010 states the board will only issue licenses and permits to applicants and locations that meet certain qualifications. Please see chapter 314-07 WAC for liquor license qualifications and application process.

(2) An applicant for a VIP airport lounge license must include a sketch of the VIP airport lounge area including the service bar area and where the alcohol inventory will be stored.

(3) All alcohol inventory must be stored on the VIP airport lounge licensed premises.

~~(4) ((All spirits must be purchased from the board at the assigned liquor store. Beer and wine must be purchased from a licensed distributor or retail outlet. A VIP lounge licensee may purchase wine directly from a licensed manufacturer if the licensee holds an endorsement to receive direct shipments from a manufacturer.~~

~~(5))~~ Access to a VIP airport lounge is generally limited to:

(a) Ticketed airline passengers of any age who have first class, executive, or business class tickets;

(b) Qualified members or guests of loyalty incentive programs, members or guests of enhanced amenities programs;

(c) Passengers or airline employees issued a pass by the airline for access; and

(d) Airport, airline employees, government officials, and attendees of airport authority or airlines for business promotion with controlled access by the VIP airport lounge licensee.

~~((6))~~ (5) Between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m., licensees or employees may not:

(a) Provide, offer, or sell liquor;

(b) Deliver liquor (except that beer and/or wine distributors may deliver beer and/or wine to retail licensees between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m.);

(c) Allow liquor to be consumed on the premises; or

(d) Possess liquor, except that persons working on the premises may possess liquor between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. while in the performance of their official duties.

~~((7))~~ (6) A local government subdivision may fix later opening hours or earlier closing hours than those specified in this rule, so long as the hours apply to all licensed premises in the local govern-

ment subdivision's jurisdiction. See WAC 314-12-215(3) for exceptions when a premises is in a board recognized alcohol impact area.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 11-01-133, filed 12/21/10, effective 1/21/11)

WAC 314-02-056 Sports/entertainment facility license—Purpose.

(1) **What is the purpose of the rules governing the use of alcohol in sports/entertainment facilities?**

(a) In RCW 66.24.570, the legislature established a spirits, beer, and wine license for arenas, coliseums, stadiums, or other facilities where sporting, entertainment, and special events are presented.

(b) These rules provide a framework for the enforcement of liquor laws and regulations, particularly those prohibiting the sale of alcohol to persons under twenty-one years of age or persons who are apparently intoxicated.

(c) This framework recognizes the unique conditions associated with events attended by large crowds consisting of diverse age groups.

(2) **Will the liquor (~~control~~) and cannabis board recognize the differences between types of sports/entertainment facilities; professional sports/entertainment facilities, amateur sporting facilities, and racetracks?** Yes. A sports/entertainment facility must submit an operating plan, which must be approved by the board prior to the issuance of a license. All plans are required to meet the minimum standards outlined in WAC 314-02-058. The board will take into consideration the unique features of each facility when approving an operating plan, including the seating accommodations, eating facilities, and circulation patterns. The board will allow proration of the sports/entertainment license fees under certain conditions:

(a) The licensee is an amateur sports organization; or

(b) The licensee is a racetrack that meets specific criteria.

(3) **Amateur sports organizations** must meet the following criteria:

(a) Season length must not be more than three months, with an additional month allowed for playoffs if applicable (requests/approval for any additional months must be made on a case-by-case basis). The venue must remain closed for the remainder of the year.

(b) Must comply with all elements contained in WAC 314-02-056 through 314-02-059.

(c) Must provide proof of amateur status.

(d) Must provide a statement regarding removal/disposal of alcohol inventory at the end of the season.

(e) Seating capacity of the venue may not exceed five thousand.

(4) **Racetracks** must meet the following criteria:

(a) Must be a seasonal operation of two quarters or less (requests/approval for any additional quarters must be made on a case-by-case basis).

(b) Seating capacity of the venue may not exceed five thousand.

(c) Maximum number of race days allowed per week is two.

(d) Per RCW 66.24.010(9) a motor sports facility is required to enforce a program reasonably calculated to prevent alcohol or alcoholic beverages not purchased within the facility from entering the fa-

cility and such program must be approved by the local law enforcement agency. A copy of this program showing the local law enforcement approval must be submitted to the board's licensing division.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 15-18-040, filed 8/26/15, effective 9/26/15)

WAC 314-02-057 Definitions. (1) **Premises** - Buildings, parking lots, and any open areas that are adjacent to and owned, leased, or managed by the licensee and under the licensee's control.

(2) **Event categories** - Types of events that the licensee expects to hold on the premises:

(a) **Professional sporting event** - A contest involving paid athletes and sanctioned by a professional sports organization that regulates the specific sport.

(b) **Amateur sporting event** - A contest or demonstration involving athletes who receive no monetary compensation that is sanctioned by a national or regional amateur athletic regulatory organization.

(c) **Entertainment event** - A concert involving a live musician, a live comedy act, or similar event intended for the entertainment of the audience. Broadcast television or background videos or music does not qualify as live entertainment.

(d) **Special event** - A convention, trade show, or other like public event with prior approval.

(e) **Private event** - An event not open to the public such as a wedding, private party, or business meeting, where the facility or a portion of the facility where the event is held is not accessible to the general public during the time of the private event.

(3) **Hawking** - The practice of selling alcohol in seating areas by roving servers who carry the beverages with them, as outlined in WAC 314-02-058(4). Because of row seating arrangements, servers normally do not have direct access to customers. Therefore, service usually requires that drinks, money, and identification be passed down rows, involving other spectators. Hawking is only allowed at professional sporting events.

(4) **Club seats** - A specifically designated and controlled seating area that is distinct from general seating with food and beverage service provided by servers directly to the customer.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 15-18-040, filed 8/26/15, effective 9/26/15)

WAC 314-02-058 Sports/entertainment facility licenses—Operating plans. (1) **What requirements govern the submission of operating plans?**

(a) To receive a license, a sports/entertainment facility must submit an operating plan for board approval.

(b) Once approved, the plan remains in effect until the licensee requests a change or the board determines that a change is necessary due to demonstrated problems or conditions not previously considered

or adequately addressed in the original plan. Changes to an operating plan must be submitted to the board's licensing division for approval.

(c) The plan must be submitted in a format designated by the board.

(d) The plan must contain all of the following elements:

(i) How the sports/entertainment facility will prevent the sale and service of alcohol to persons under twenty-one years of age and those who appear to be intoxicated.

(ii) The ratio of alcohol service staff and security staff to the size of the audiences at events where alcohol is being served. The minimum ratio allowed is one staff person to fifty attendees at the event.

(iii) Training provided to staff who serve, regulate, or supervise the service of alcohol. Mandatory alcohol server training is required for all staff.

(iv) The facility's policy on the number of alcoholic beverages that will be served to an individual patron during one transaction. Two alcoholic beverages is the maximum number allowed to be sold and served to an individual patron during one transaction.

(v) An explanation of the alcoholic beverage containers that will be used to ensure they are significantly different from containers utilized from nonalcoholic beverages.

(vi) A list of event categories (see WAC 314-02-057(2)) to be held in the facility at which alcohol service is planned, along with a request for the level of alcohol service at each event.

(vii) The date must be included in the operating plan.

(viii) The pages must be numbered in the operating plan.

(ix) A site plan designating all alcohol service areas. Identify all beer garden areas to include dimensions of the area, capacity, number of alcohol service/security employees staffing the area, and what type/size of barrier will surround the alcohol service area.

(x) The operating plan must be signed by a principal of the licensed entity.

(e) Prior to the first of each month, the licensee must provide a schedule of events for the upcoming month to the facility's local liquor enforcement office. This schedule must show the date and time of each event during which alcohol service is planned. The licensee must notify the local enforcement office at least seventy-two hours in advance of any events where alcohol service is planned that were not included in the monthly schedule. Notice of private events is not required when the event is being held in conjunction with a professional or amateur sporting event, an entertainment event, or a special event as outlined in WAC 314-02-057(2).

(2) **May the liquor (~~control~~) and cannabis board impose any other mandatory standards as a part of an operating plan?** Yes. To prevent persons who are under twenty-one years of age or who appear intoxicated from gaining access to alcohol, the board may impose the following standards as part of an operating plan:

(a) The board may require that an operating plan include additional mandatory requirements if it is judged by the board that the plan does not effectively prevent violations of liquor laws and regulations, particularly those that prevent persons under twenty-one years of age or who are apparently intoxicated from obtaining alcohol.

(b) To permit alcohol servers to establish the age of patrons and to prevent over-service, sports/entertainment facilities must meet minimum lighting requirements established by WAC 314-11-055 in any area where alcohol is served or consumed. For the purpose of estab-

lishing a permanent technical standard, an operating plan may include a lighting standard measured in foot candles, so long as the candle power of the lighting is, at all times, sufficient to permit alcohol servers to establish the validity of documents printed in eight point type.

(3) **Where will spirits, beer, and wine be allowed in a sports/entertainment facility?** The purpose of the following matrix is to outline where and when alcohol service will normally be permitted. Due to the unique nature of each facility, the board will determine the permitted alcohol service based on the facility's approved operating plan.

(a) Self-service of alcohol is prohibited.

(b) If alcohol service is requested outside of the parameters listed below, a special request with justification for the alcohol service area must be submitted with the operating plan for consideration by the board.

Type of event as defined in WAC 314-02-057	Beer, wine, and spirits may be sold and served in approved restaurants, lounges, private suites, and club rooms	Beer, wine, and spirits may be sold and served in temporary lounges, beer gardens, or other approved service areas	Spirits, beer, and wine may be served and consumed in club seats during events	Beer and wine may be consumed throughout seating areas during events	Hawking - beer may be served throughout seating areas, subject to the provisions of WAC 314-02-058(4)
Professional sporting events of baseball, football, basketball, soccer, tennis, volleyball, horse racing, hockey, and track and field events	x	x	x	x	x
All other professional sporting events including WWE, UFC, rodeo, motorcross, national auto racing, and monster truck events (level of alcohol service will be determined on a case-by-case basis per the approved operating plan)	x	x	x	x	
Amateur sporting events (nonpaid athletes)	x	x		x	
Entertainment events	x	x			
Special events (trade shows, conventions)	x	x			
<u>Darkened house events</u>	x	x	x	x	

~~((b))~~ (c) For private events, beer, wine, and spirits may be served in the area where the event is held. This area may be a separate meeting or banquet room or the entire facility.

~~((e))~~ (d) In order to minimize youth access to alcohol, the board may prohibit or restrict the service of alcohol at events where the attendance is expected to be over thirty percent persons under twenty-one years of age. This restriction will not apply to the professional sporting events outlined in WAC 314-02-057 (2)(a).

~~((4))~~ (e) To request approval for walk around beer and/or wine consumption at special events, the licensee must provide the board the following information about the event:

(i) Type of event;

(ii) Demographics of the event;

(iii) Lighting at the event; and

(iv) If the event is located indoors or outdoors.

(4) **Darkened house.** Consumption of alcohol within the darkened seating portions of the venue during entertainment activities are subject to the following conditions:

(a) Request for darkened house activities will be part of the operating plan.

(b) The board will only approve darkened house events after notification to the local authority as identified by the licensing division and approval by the designated local authority. The notification will clearly state:

(i) Primary responsibility for the control of the darkened area of the establishment will rest with the licensee and local law enforcement authorities; and

(ii) The board will not entertain contradictory recommendations from subdivisions of the local jurisdictions.

(c) Violation of the darkened house addendum to the operating plan will be viewed as an aggravating factor to a violation rather than a primary enforcement issue.

(5) **Will hawking be allowed at sports/entertainment facilities?** Subject to the provisions of this rule, hawking may be permitted in general seating areas for the sale and consumption of beer, at the professional sporting events of baseball, football, basketball, soccer, tennis, volleyball, horse racing, hockey, and track and field events only, as defined by WAC 314-02-057 (2)(a).

(a) An operating plan must include procedures for hawkers to verify the age of purchasers and to prevent service to apparently intoxicated persons.

(b) During hawking, any patron may decline to handle alcoholic beverages, either on behalf of themselves and for any person under their supervision. When a patron objects to handling alcohol, hawkers must accommodate the objection. The facility operating plan will address how hawking will be managed, including how hawkers will respond to patron objections to handling alcohol.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 11-23-045, filed 11/9/11, effective 12/10/11)

WAC 314-02-060 What is a caterer's endorsement? (1) A spirits, beer, and wine restaurant and a beer and/or wine restaurant applicant or licensee may apply for a caterer's endorsement, in order to extend

the on-premises license privilege to allow the sale and service of liquor at ((approved)) locations other than ((the)) liquor licensed premises. See RCW 66.24.420(6) and 66.24.320(2) for more information about this endorsement.

(2) The annual fee for this endorsement is three hundred fifty dollars.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 15-01-001, filed 12/3/14, effective 1/3/15)

WAC 314-02-070 What is a tavern license? (1) Per RCW 66.24.330 and 66.24.354, this license allows a tavern to:

Privilege	Annual fee
(a) Serve beer by the bottle or can or by tap for on-premises consumption.	\$200
(b) Serve wine for on-premises consumption.	\$200
(c) Sell beer and/or wine in the original, unopened containers for off-premises consumption.	\$120
(d) Sell tap beer for off-premises consumption in a sanitary container holding less than four gallons of beer, ((and brought to the premises by the purchaser)) <u>provided by the purchaser, licensee, or manufacturer and filled by an employee at the time of purchase.</u>	In conjunction with off-premises privilege outlined in (c) of this subsection.
(e) Sell cider as defined in RCW 66.24.210(6) for off-premises consumption to a purchaser in a sanitary container brought to the premises by the purchaser or provided by the licensee and filled at the tap in the tavern at the time of purchase. The licensee must comply with federal regulations.	In conjunction with off-premises privilege outlined in (c) of this subsection.
(f) Sell beer in kegs or other containers holding at least four gallons of beer (see WAC 314-02-110 regarding the requirements for registering kegs).	In conjunction with off-premises privilege outlined in (c) of this subsection.

(2) A tavern licensee may not allow persons under twenty-one years of age on the premises at any time (see RCW 66.44.316 for information regarding employees and professional musicians under twenty-one years of age).

WAC 314-02-087 What is a spirits, beer, and wine theater license? (1) A spirits, beer, and wine theater is a place of business where motion pictures or other primarily nonparticipatory entertainment or events are shown. The holder of a beer and wine theater license is allowed to sell spirits, beer, strong beer, and wine, at retail, for consumption on the licensed premises.

(2) The requirements for the spirits, beer, and wine theater license are as follows:

(a) The theater has no more than one hundred twenty seats per ~~((screen))~~ theater room.

(b) All servers of beer and wine are required to attend a mandatory alcohol server training (MAST) program.

(c) The serving size for spirits is one and one quarter ounce. The serving size for wine is five ounces. The serving size for beer is twelve ounces.

(d) There must be tabletop accommodations for in theater dining.

(e) If the theater premises will be frequented by minors an alcohol control plan agreement must be signed and submitted to the board during the application process.

(3) A spirits, beer, and wine theater licensee must serve at least eight complete meals. Establishments shall be maintained in a substantial manner as a place for preparing, cooking, and serving of complete meals.

(a) "Complete meal" means an entree and at least one side dish.

(b) "Entree" means the main course of a meal. Some examples of entrees are fish, steak, chicken, pork, pasta, pizza, hamburgers, seafood salad, Cobb salad, chef's salad, sandwiches, and breakfast items (as long as they include a side dish). Entrees do not include snack items, or menu items which consist solely of precooked frozen food that is reheated, or consist solely of carry-out items obtained from another business.

(c) Examples of side dishes are soups, vegetables, salads, potatoes, french fries, rice, fruit, and bread. Garnishes such as, but not limited to, pickles, salsa, and dips do not qualify as a side dish.

(d) The restaurant must maintain the kitchen equipment necessary to prepare the complete meals required under this section.

(e) The complete meals must be prepared on the restaurant premises.

(f) A chef or cook must be on duty while complete meals are offered.

(g) A menu must be available to customers.

(h) The food items required to maintain the menu must be on the restaurant premises. These items must be edible.

(4) The alcohol control plan agreement will be provided on a form by the board and includes the following requirements:

(a) Ensure that alcoholic beverages are not sold to persons under the age of twenty-one, staff will request identification from any patron who appears to be age thirty or under and who is attempting to purchase an alcoholic beverage.

(b) Alcoholic beverages must be served in containers that differ significantly from containers utilized for nonalcoholic beverages.

(c) All alcoholic beverages sold under this license must be sold by the individual drink.

(d) If staff observes a patron who is in the possession of or who is consuming an alcoholic beverage, who appears to be of questionable age, staff will request identification from that patron. If the patron is unable to produce an acceptable form of identification verifying their age, the alcohol will be confiscated.

(e) Staff will accept only those forms of identification that are acceptable per WAC 314-11-025 to verify a person's age for the purpose of selling, serving, or allowing a person to possess or consume alcohol.

(f) All employees involved in the sale, service, and/or supervision of alcoholic beverages will be required to attend MAST to obtain the appropriate permit for their level of service.

(g) Sufficient lighting must be maintained at the point of sale so that identification can be confirmed and patrons observed for signs of intoxication.

(h) To ensure alcoholic beverages are served in a safe, responsible, and controlled manner, sales and service of alcoholic beverages will be limited to one serving per person per transaction.

(i) If a patron is accompanied by another patron who wants to pay for both people's drinks, they may do so, provided that both patrons are of legal age to purchase, and have proper identification, if requested, and are not displaying signs of intoxication.

(j) Alcohol may only be sold, served, and consumed in areas designated in the alcohol control plan agreement and approved by the board.

(k) Staff will refuse to sell an alcoholic beverage to any person who appears to be intoxicated. Alcoholic beverages will be removed from any person who appears to be intoxicated.

(l) This alcohol control plan agreement will be prominently posted on the licensed premises.

(5) Penalties are doubled for a violation involving minors or the failure to follow the signed alcohol control plan agreement.

(6) If the theater premises has a restaurant located outside of the actual theater screening areas, spirits, beer, and wine may be served and consumed in the restaurant area.

(a) Spirits may be sold by the individual drink.

(b) Beer may be sold by the pitcher as well as by individual serving for consumption in the restaurant area.

(c) Wine may be sold by the bottle as well as by the individual serving for consumption in the restaurant area.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 15-01-001, filed 12/3/14, effective 1/3/15)

WAC 314-02-105 What is a beer and/or wine specialty store license? (1) Per RCW 66.24.371, a beer and/or wine specialty store license allows a licensee to sell beer and/or wine for off-premises consumption.

(2) The annual fee for this license is one hundred dollars.

(3) Qualifications for license - To obtain and maintain a beer and/or wine specialty store license, the premises must be stocked with an inventory of beer and/or wine in excess of three thousand dollars wholesale value. This inventory must be:

(a) Stocked within the confines of the licensed premises; and

(b) Maintained on the premises at all times the premises is licensed, with the exception of beginning and closing inventory for seasonal operations or when the inventory is being sold out immediately prior to discontinuing or selling the business.

(4) Qualifications to sample - A beer and/or wine specialty store licensee may allow customers to sample beer and wine for the purpose of sales promotion, if the primary business is the sale of beer and/or wine at retail, and the licensee meets the requirements outlined in either (a) or (b) of this subsection:

(a) A licensee's gross retail sales of alcohol exceeds fifty percent of all annual gross sales for the entire business; or

(b) The licensed premises is a beer and/or wine specialty store that conducts bona fide cooking classes for the purpose of pairing beer and/or wine with food, under the following conditions:

(i) The licensee must establish to the satisfaction of the board that the classes are bona fide cooking courses. The licensee must charge participants a fee for the course(s).

(ii) The sampling must be limited to a clearly defined area of the premises. The licensee must provide a sketch of the sampling area.

(iii) The licensee must receive prior approval from the board's licensing and regulation division before conducting sampling with cooking classes.

(iv) Once approved for sampling, the licensee must provide the board's enforcement and education division a list of all scheduled cooking classes during which beer and/or wine samples will be served. The licensee must notify the board's enforcement and education division at least forty-eight hours in advance if classes are added.

(5) Licensees who qualify for sampling under subsection (4) of this section may sample under the following conditions:

(a) Employees conducting sampling must hold a class 12 alcohol server permit;

(b) No more than a total of ten ounces of alcohol may be provided to a customer during any one visit to the premises;

(c) Each sample must be two ounces or less.

(6) A beer and/or wine specialty store licensee may sell beer in kegs or other containers holding at least four gallons of beer. See WAC 314-02-115 regarding keg registration requirements.

(7) A beer and/or wine specialty store licensee may receive an endorsement to permit the sale of beer and cider as defined in RCW 66.24.210(6) to a purchaser in a sanitary container brought to the premises by the purchaser, or provided by the licensee or manufacturer, and filled at the tap by the licensee at the time of sale under the following conditions:

(a) The beer and/or wine specialty store sales of alcohol must exceed fifty percent of their total sales;

(b) The board may waive the fifty percent beer and/or wine sale criteria if the beer and/or wine specialty store maintains a wholesale alcohol inventory that exceeds fifteen thousand dollars.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 16-01-102, filed 12/16/15, effective 1/16/16)

WAC 314-02-109 What are the quarterly reporting and payment requirements for a spirits retailer license? (1) A spirits retailer must submit quarterly reports and payments to the board.

The required reports must be:

- (a) On a form furnished by the board;
- (b) Filed every quarter, including quarters with no activity or payment due;
- (c) Submitted, with payment due, to the board on or before the twenty-fifth day following the tax quarter (e.g., Quarter 1 (Jan., Feb., Mar.) report is due April 25th). When the twenty-fifth day of the month falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a legal holiday, the filing must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than the next postal business day; and
- (d) Filed separately for each liquor license held.

(2) **What if a spirits retailer licensee fails to report or pay, or reports or pays late?** Failure of a spirits retailer licensee to submit its quarterly reports and payment to the board as required in subsection (1) of this section will be sufficient grounds for the board to suspend or revoke the liquor license.

Failure of a spirits retailer licensee to submit its quarterly reports and payment to the board for two consecutive quarters will be sufficient grounds for the board to revoke the liquor license.

A penalty of one percent per month will be assessed on any payments postmarked after the twenty-fifth day quarterly report is due. When the twenty-fifth day of the month falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a legal holiday, the filing must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than the next postal business day.

Absent a postmark, the date received at the Washington state liquor (~~control~~) and cannabis board, or designee, will be used to determine if penalties are to be assessed.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 14-24-128, filed 12/3/14, effective 1/3/15)

WAC 314-02-112 What is a caterer's license? (1) A caterer's license allows the licensee to sell spirits, beer, and wine by the individual serving for consumption on the premises at a catered event location.

(2) The catered event location must be owned, leased, or operated by:

- (a) The holder of the caterer's license; or
- (b) The sponsor of the event for which the catering services are being provided.

(3) The caterer licensee is responsible for all areas of a location where alcohol is sold, served, consumed, or stored.

(4) If the catered event is open and advertised to the public, the event must be sponsored by a nonprofit society or organization as defined in RCW 66.24.375.

(a) A registered nonprofit holding a public or civic event may invite a caterer to provide alcohol service at a location within the parameters of the event.

(b) If attendance at the catered event is limited to members or invited guests of the sponsoring individual, society, or organization, the requirement in subsection (2) of this section does not apply.

(5) A spirits, beer, and wine caterer licensee must have the ability to serve at least eight complete meals. A commissary kitchen, licensed by the city and/or county health department, shall be maintained in a substantial manner as a place for preparing and cooking complete meals. The caterer licensee must maintain the kitchen equipment necessary to prepare the complete meals required under this section. The complete meals must be prepared at the licensed commissary kitchen premises. For the purposes of this title:

(a) "Complete meal" means an entrée and at least one side dish.

(b) "Entrée" means the main course of a meal. Some examples of entrées are fish, steak, chicken, pork, pasta, pizza, hamburgers, seafood salad, Cobb salad, chef's salad, sandwiches, and breakfast items (as long as they include a side dish). Entrées do not include snack items, or menu items which consist solely of precooked frozen food that is reheated, or consist solely of carry-out items obtained from another business.

(c) Examples of side dishes are soups, vegetables, salads, potatoes, french fries, rice, fruit, and bread.

(6) A beer and wine caterer licensee must have the ability to provide minimum food service. A commissary kitchen shall be maintained in a substantial manner as a place for preparing and cooking minimum food service. The caterer licensee must maintain the kitchen equipment necessary to prepare minimum food service required under this section. The minimum food service must be prepared at the licensed commissary kitchen premises. For purposes of this title:

"Minimum food service" means items such as sandwiches, salad, soup, hamburgers, pizza, and fry orders.

Licensees holding a caterer's license may share a commissary kitchen under the following conditions:

(a) Each licensee has their own secure area for their own liquor stock. Liquor stock cannot be shared.

(b) If using a shared commissary kitchen, each applicant/licensee must provide a sketch of the commissary kitchen to licensing indicating the separate secured area for each licensee.

(7) The applicant must provide the liquor (~~control~~) and cannabis board with a copy of their commissary kitchen license issued by the city or county health department.

(8) The licensee is required to send a list of scheduled catered events to their regional enforcement office on the first of each month. The licensee must provide the following information:

(a) Date of the catered events;

(b) Time of the catered events; and

(c) Place and location of catered events.

Any changes to the information provided to the board must be reported to the regional enforcement office seventy-two hours prior to the catered event.

(9) A caterer's license holder is not allowed to cater events at a liquor licensed premises.

(10) The holder of the caterer's license may store liquor on other premises operated by the licensee if the licensee owns or has a leasehold interest at the other premises. Documentation must be provi-

ded to the board showing the licensee owns or has a leasehold interest in the property.

(11) All employees that sell or serve alcohol must hold MAST permits.

(12) The annual fee for the caterer's license is as follows:

(a) The annual fee for beer is two hundred dollars;

(b) The annual fee for wine is two hundred dollars; and

(c) The annual fee for a combined spirits, beer, and wine is one thousand dollars.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 11-01-133, filed 12/21/10, effective 1/21/11)

WAC 314-02-120 How do licensees get keg registration forms? (1)

The board will provide keg registration forms free of charge to licensees who hold (a) a beer and/or wine restaurant license in combination with an off-premises beer and/or wine endorsement; (b) a tavern license in combination with an off-premises beer and/or wine endorsement; or (c) a beer and/or wine specialty shop license with a keg endorsement.

(2) Licensees who hold a grocery store license with a keg endorsement, or a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license with a keg endorsement, must purchase the keg registration forms. Keg registration books can be ordered online at the liquor (~~control~~) and cannabis board web site or from the enforcement customer service line for four dollars per book of twenty-five forms.

REPEALER

The following sections of the Washington Administrative Code are repealed:

WAC 314-02-125 What types of activities on a licensed premises require notice to the board?

WAC 314-02-130 What types of changes to a licensed premises require board approval?

Chapter 314-07 WAC
HOW TO APPLY FOR AND MAINTAIN A LIQUOR LICENSE

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 05-07-012, filed 3/4/05, effective 4/4/05)

WAC 314-07-005 What is the purpose of this chapter? RCW 66.24.010 states the board will only issue licenses and permits to applicants and locations that meet certain qualifications. The purpose of this chapter is to outline the qualifications and steps necessary to receive and maintain a liquor license or permit.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 15-11-106, filed 5/20/15, effective 6/20/15)

WAC 314-07-010 Definitions. Following are definitions for the purpose of this title. Other definitions are in WAC 314-01-005 and RCW 66.08.010.

(1) "Applicant" or "liquor license applicant" means any person or business entity who is considered by the board as a true party of interest in a liquor license or permit application, as outlined in WAC 314-07-035.

(2) "Building" means a stationary structure with floor to ceiling solid walls and a roof. A food truck is not a "building."

(3) "Business name" or "trade name" means the name of a licensed business as used by the licensee on signs, advertising, etc.

(4) "Financier" means any person or entity who has made or will make an investment in the licensed business of more than ten thousand dollars. A "financier" can be someone who provides money as a gift, someone who loans money to the business and expects to be paid back the amount of the loan without interest, or someone who invests money into the business expecting a percentage of the profits, but accepts the risk that there may not be a full return on the investment. These persons or entities shall submit appropriate investigation level "financier" financial documents.

(5) "Licensee" or "liquor licensee" means any person or entity that holds a liquor license or permit, or any person or entity who is a true party of interest in a liquor license or permit, as outlined in WAC 314-07-035.

(6) "Public institution" means a public college or university. (See WAC 314-07-020 regarding the liquor control board notifying public institutions of liquor license applications.)

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 15-11-106, filed 5/20/15, effective 6/20/15)

WAC 314-07-015 General information about liquor licenses. (1) A person or entity must meet required qualifications to receive a liquor license, ~~((which are continuing))~~ and must continue to meet the qualifications in order to maintain the license.

(2) A liquor license may be approved at a personal residence under the following conditions:

(a) The proposed licensed premises is either separate from or walled off from personal living quarters.

(b) The proposed licensed premises has its own entrance separate from the entrance to the personal living quarters.

(c) Any access from the proposed licensed premises into the personal living quarters is permanently secured.

(d) Any and all items related to the operation of the proposed licensed business are contained within the licensed premises. This includes, but is not limited to, liquor inventory, business records, computers, equipment and anything else needed for the operation of the licensed business.

(3) A liquor license applicant may not exercise any of the privileges of a liquor license until the board approves the license application (see WAC 314-07-055 regarding temporary licenses).

~~((3))~~ (4) In approving a liquor license, the board reserves the right to impose special conditions as to the involvement in the operations of the licensed business of any former licensees, their former employees, or any person who does not qualify for a liquor license.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 15-11-106, filed 5/20/15, effective 6/20/15)

WAC 314-07-035 What persons or entities have to qualify for a liquor license? Per RCW 66.24.010(1), a liquor license must be issued in the name(s) of the true party(ies) of interest.

(1) **True parties of interest** - For purposes of this title, "true party of interest" means:

True party of interest	Persons to be qualified
Sole proprietorship	Sole proprietor and spouse.
General partnership	All partners and spouses.
Limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or limited liability limited partnership	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All general partners and spouses;• All limited partners that have more than 10% interest in the partnership and their spouses.

True party of interest	Persons to be qualified
Limited liability company	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All members (or persons with equivalent title) with more than 10% interest in the LLC and spouses. (Note: In order for the liquor control board to identify the persons to be qualified, we will need to know all parties that have an interest in the limited liability company or have a pending interest.) • All managers (or persons with equivalent title) and their spouses.
Privately held corporation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All corporate officers (or persons with equivalent title) and their spouses. • All stockholders (or persons with equivalent title) and their spouses who hold more than 10% of the issued or outstanding stock. (Note: In order for the liquor control board to identify the persons to be qualified, we will need to know all parties who have been issued or will be issued corporate stock.)
Publicly held corporation	All corporate officers (or persons with equivalent title).
Multi-level ownership structures	The liquor control board will review each entity to determine which individuals are to qualify according to the guidelines in this rule.
Any entity	<p>Any person who is in receipt of, or has the right to receive, more than ten percent of the gross or net sales from the licensed business during any full or partial calendar or fiscal year. For the purposes of this chapter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Gross sales" includes the entire gross receipts from all sales and services made in, upon, or from the licensed business. • "Net sales" means gross sales minus cost of goods sold.

(2) For purposes of this section, "true party of interest" does not mean:

(a) A person or entity receiving reasonable payment for rent (as determined by the board) on a fixed or percentage basis under a bona fide lease or rental obligation, unless the lessor or property manager exercises control over or participates in the management of the business.

(b) A person who receives a bonus as an employee, if: The employee is on a fixed wage or salary and the bonus is not more than twenty-five percent of the employee's prebonus annual compensation; or the

bonus is based on a written incentive/bonus program that is not out of the ordinary for the services rendered.

(c) A person or entity contracting with the applicant(s) to sell the property, unless the contract holder exercises control over or participates in the management of the licensed business.

(d) A person or entity receiving payment of franchise fees on a fixed or percentage basis under a bona fide franchise agreement, unless the person or entity receiving payment of franchise fees exercises control over or participates in the management of the licensed business.

(e) A 401K, IRA, or nonfamilial trust.

(3) **Financiers** - The board may conduct a financial investigation of financiers.

(4) **Persons who exercise control of business** - The board may conduct an investigation of any person or entity who exercises any control over the applicant's business operations.

In cases where there is an entity who is in control of the day-to-day business operation (other than the owner) because of an agreement between the owner and the operator, the operating party becomes a true party of interest. The operator must meet all the qualifications of any other true party of interest and if approved, must be the licensee. The owner may be required to be named on the license as a party of interest based on the terms of the agreement, but will not normally be required to meet all the qualifications of a true party of interest.

(5) The board reserves the right to investigate any person or entity in a liquor license application or current liquor license where hidden ownership or misrepresentation of fact is suspected.

(6) For purposes of this section, a person or entity who takes more than ten percent of the profits and/or exercises control over the licensed business in a given agreement may be named on the license as a party of interest per this rule. Examples of this are lease, operating plan, concession or management agreement.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 15-11-106, filed 5/20/15, effective 6/20/15)

WAC 314-07-040 What criminal history might prevent a liquor license applicant or licensee from receiving or keeping a liquor license? (1) When the board processes a criminal history check on ((an applicant)) a true party of interest, it uses a point system to determine if the person qualifies for a license. The board will not normally issue a liquor license to an applicant who has accumulated eight or more points as indicated below:

Description	Time period during which points will be assigned	Points assigned
Felony conviction	Ten years	12 points
Gross misdemeanor conviction	Three years	5 points

Description	Time period during which points will be assigned	Points assigned
Misdemeanor conviction	Three years	4 points
Currently under federal or state supervision for a felony conviction	n/a	8 points
Nondisclosure of any of the above	n/a	4 points each

(2) If a case is pending for an alleged offense that would earn eight or more points, the board will hold the application for the disposition of the case. If the disposition is not settled within ninety days, the board may administratively close the application.

(3) The board will not normally issue a liquor license to any person who has demonstrated a pattern of disregard for laws and rules. A pattern or disregard for laws and rules is inclusive of violation history outside of the liquor and cannabis board, to include other regulatory agencies and other states.

(4) Current liquor licensees are required to notify the board within thirty days of any arrests or criminal convictions. Failure to do so may result in revocation of the liquor license.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 15-11-106, filed 5/20/15, effective 6/20/15)

WAC 314-07-060 Reasons for denial or (~~cancellation~~) revocation of a temporary license. Following is a list of reasons a temporary permit may not be issued or can be revoked. Per RCW 66.24.010, the board has broad discretionary authority to approve or deny a liquor license or permit application. Refusal by the board to issue or extend a temporary license shall not entitle the applicant to request a hearing.

(1) An applicant who has received a temporary license and their application is later administratively closed, and they reapply for a liquor license at the same location.

(2) The local authority objects for any reason.

(3) The applicant affirmatively refuses to submit documents requested by the board to conduct the application investigation.

(4) The applicant accrues or is involved in an administrative violation committed while operating under a temporary license.

(5) The investigator is unable to determine the true party of interest.

(6) The applicant fails to meet the basic requirements of the license.

(7) An objection is received from a privately or publicly funded elementary or secondary school within five hundred feet of the proposed location.

(8) Violation history of the applicant is found to be sufficient to raise the application to threshold decision.

(9) Upon denial of the permanent license, the temporary license will be immediately revoked.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 15-11-106, filed 5/20/15, effective 6/20/15)

WAC 314-07-065 Reasons the board may deny a liquor license application. Following is a list of reasons the board may deny a liquor license application. Per RCW 66.24.010, the board has broad discretionary authority to approve or deny a liquor license or permit application.

(1) Failure to meet qualifications or requirements for the specific liquor license or privilege, as outlined in this Title 314 WAC and Title 66 RCW.

(2) Failure by any (~~applicant or financier~~) person or entity associated with the application to submit information or documentation requested by the board.

(3) Refusal by any (~~applicant or financier~~) person or entity associated with the application to submit information or documentation requested by the board.

(4) Misrepresentation of fact by any (~~applicant or financier~~) person or entity associated with the application.

(5) Failure to meet the criminal history standards outlined in WAC 314-07-040.

(6) Failure to meet the liquor law or rule violation history standards outlined in WAC 314-07-045.

(7) Source of funds used for the acquisition, startup and operation of the business is questionable or unverified.

(8) Objection from the local authority or from the public (see WAC 314-09-010 and RCW 66.24.010(8)).

(9) Objection from the following entities if they are within five hundred feet of the proposed business: A public school, a private school that meets the requirements of chapter 28A.195 RCW, a church, or a public college or university. See WAC 314-09-010 and RCW 66.24.010(9) for more information. Note: Per RCW 66.24.010(9), the board may not issue a new liquor license if the board receives objection from a public school within five hundred feet of the proposed licensed business.

(10) The board determines that the issuance of the liquor license will not be in the best interest of the welfare, health, or safety of the people of the state.

WAC 314-11-065 What type of liquor is allowed on a licensed premises? (1) Licensees may only possess and allow persons to consume or possess the type of liquor permitted by the type of liquor license held on the premises; except:

(a) Under authority of a banquet permit (see chapter 314-18 WAC);
(b) Restaurant licensees may allow patrons to bring wine into the premises for consumption with a meal; ~~((and))~~

(c) Beer and/or wine restaurant or tavern licensees may keep spirituous liquor on the premises for use in the manufacture of food products, provided that:

(i) All food products manufactured contain one percent or less of alcohol by weight (per RCW (~~66.12.16.160~~ ~~[66.12.160]~~),) 66.12.160);

(ii) Customers are made aware that the food products contain liquor ~~((,))~~; and

(iii) The beer and/or wine restaurant or tavern licensee notifies the local liquor control board enforcement office in writing before they bring spirituous liquor on the premises.

(d) Under the authority of a special occasion license.

(2) For on-premises liquor licenses, the licensee or employees may not permit the removal of liquor in an open container from the licensed premises, except:

(a) Liquor brought on a licensed premises under authority of a banquet permit may be resealed in its original container and removed at the end of the banquet permit function;

(b) Per RCW 66.24.320 and 66.24.400, wine that is sold with a meal may be recorked or resealed and removed from the premises;

(c) Liquor purchased by registered guests for consumption inside a hotel or motel room may be resealed in its original container and removed from the hotel or motel premises by the guest; and

(d) Liquor removed from a licensed premises that holds a caterer's endorsement, for the purpose of catering an approved event.

WAC 314-12-020 (~~Applicants—Qualifications—Fingerprinting—Criminal history record information checks—~~)Continuing conditions(~~—Agreements—Reconsideration of denied applications~~) to hold a liquor license. ((1) Where a married person is an applicant for, or holder of a license, the spouse of such applicant, if the parties are maintaining a marital community, shall be required to have the same qualifications as the applicant.

(2) The board may require, as a condition precedent to the original issuance of any annual license, fingerprinting and criminal history record information checks on any person not previously licensed by the board. In addition to the applicant, fingerprinting and criminal history record information checks may be required of the applicant's spouse. In the case of a corporation, fingerprinting and criminal history record information checks may be required of its present and any subsequent officers, manager, and stockholders who hold more than ten percent of the total issued and outstanding stock of the applicant corporation if such persons have not previously had their fingerprints recorded with the board. In the case of a partnership, fingerprinting and criminal history record information checks may be required of all general partners and their spouses. Such fingerprints as are required by the board shall be submitted on forms provided by the board to the Washington state identification section of the Washington state patrol and to the identification division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in order that these agencies may search their records for prior arrests and convictions of the individuals fingerprinted. The applicant shall give full cooperation to the board and shall assist the board in all aspects of the fingerprinting and criminal history record information check. The applicant may be required to pay a minimal fee to the agency which performs the fingerprinting and criminal history process.

(3) ~~The restrictions on license issuance specified in RCW 66.24.010(2) shall be construed to be continuing conditions for retaining an existing license and any licensed person who ceases to be eligible for issuance of a license under RCW 66.44.010(2) shall also cease to be eligible to hold any license already issued.~~

(4) The board, in considering an application for a license, may require, in addition to all other information requested concerning the proposed licensed premises (see WAC 314 12 035), that the applicant justify the issuance of the license sought based on an analysis of population trends compared to licenses in the area, any uniqueness of the proposed operation, any unusual circumstances present, plus any other information the applicant(s) may feel will justify the issuance of the license sought.

The board may, at its discretion and for good cause shown, reconsider an application denied for reasons other than objection upon receipt of new information within sixty days of the original denial date. Such reconsiderations are not considered part of the normal license application procedure and must be justified on an individual basis. Should the board determine to reconsider a denied application, notice of such reconsideration shall be given to those persons and/or entities entitled to receive notice of an original license application pursuant to RCW 66.24.010(8). Such notice shall be given at least

twenty days prior to final determination on the reconsideration. Additionally, at the same time the notice is given, a press release will be issued informing the public of the impending reconsideration. The process for applications denied due to objection is outlined in chapter 314-09 WAC.) A person or entity must meet minimum required qualification to receive a liquor license, and must continue to meet the qualifications in order to maintain the liquor license.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 93-18-094, filed 9/1/93, effective 10/2/93)

WAC 314-12-030 (~~(License to reflect true party in interest~~
~~—))**Display of licenses.** (1) Pursuant to the requirements of RCW 66.24.010(1), any license issued shall be issued in the name(s) of the true party or parties in interest.~~

(2) All licenses (except certificates of approval and agent's licenses) shall be prominently displayed on the licensed premises.

~~((3) For purposes of this section, "true party" shall apply to any person or entity having a substantial interest in the business conducted on the premises to be licensed.~~

~~(4) For purposes of this section, "substantial interest" shall mean any of the following:~~

~~(a) Receipt of, or the right to receive, ten percent or more of the gross sales from the licensed business during any calendar or fiscal year of the licensed business. Gross sales, as used in this section, shall include the entire gross receipts of every kind and nature from the sales and services made in, upon, or from the premises, whether on a credit or cash basis, whether operated by the licensee or manager, except:~~

~~Any rebates or refunds to customers;~~

~~The licensee's cost of meals and beverage provided to employees;~~

~~The amount of sales tax receipts or admission taxes;~~

~~(b) An investment in the licensed business of ten thousand dollars or more; or~~

~~(c) Ownership of stock constituting more than ten percent of the issued or outstanding stock of the licensed business.~~

~~(5) For purposes of this section, "substantial interest" shall not mean:~~

~~(a) A bonus paid to an employee, if the employee is on a fixed wage or salary and the bonus is not more than twenty five percent of the employee's prebonus annual compensation, or the bonus is based on a written incentive/bonus program and is not out of the ordinary for the services rendered;~~

~~(b) Repayment of a loan or payment on a contract to purchase property unless the loan or contract holder exercises control over or participates in the management of the licensed business;~~

~~(c) Reasonable payment for rent on a fixed or percentage basis under a bona fide lease or rental obligation unless the lessor or property manager exercises control over or participates in the management of the business;~~

~~(d) Payment of franchise fees on a fixed or percentage basis under a bona fide franchise agreement;~~

~~(e) Payment of dividends to corporate stockholders.))~~

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 85-24-040, filed 11/27/85)

WAC 314-12-050 Loss or destruction of licenses, permits, etc.—
Fee. Upon the loss or destruction of ~~((any))~~ a license or permit issued by the board to purchase liquor ~~((thereunder))~~, application for a duplicate must be made to the board. Fee: \$5.00.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 96-03-004, filed 1/4/96, effective 2/4/96)

WAC 314-12-070 Applications for currently licensed locations.
~~((1))~~ No application for any license shall be made except in conformance with RCW 66.24.010, and subject to the following conditions:
~~((a) Except as authorized by WAC 314-12-025,))~~ The license applicant shall not take possession of the premises, nor exercise any of the privileges of a licensee, nor shall such application be effective until the board shall have approved the same.
~~((b) In approving any license, the board reserves the right to impose special conditions as to the future connection of the former licensee or any of his employees with the licensed business as in its judgment the circumstances may justify;~~
~~((c) A change of trade name may be made coincident with the issuance of the license without any additional fee.~~
~~(2) The sale of a partnership interest or any change in the partners, either by withdrawal or addition or otherwise, shall be considered a change of ownership and subject to the applicable regulations.~~
~~(3) If the licensee is a corporation, whether as sole licensee or in conjunction with other entities, a change in ownership of any stock shall be deemed a corporate change. The licensed corporation shall report to and obtain written approval from the board, for any proposed change in principal officers and/or the proposed sale of more than ten percent of the corporation's outstanding and/or issued stock before any such changes are made. The board may inquire into all matters in connection with any such sale of stock or proposed change in officers. The board will waive the fee for a corporate change when the proposed change consists solely of dropping an approved officer.~~
~~(4) For purposes of this regulation:~~
~~(a) "Principal officer" shall mean the president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer, or the equivalent in title, for a publicly traded corporation, and president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, or the equivalent in title, and all other officers who hold more than ten percent of the corporate stock, for a privately held corporation.~~
~~(b) The "proposed sale of more than ten percent of the stock" will be calculated as a cumulative total and must be reported to the board when the accumulation of stock transfers or newly issued stock totals more than ten percent of the outstanding and/or issued stock of the licensed corporation)).~~

REPEALER

The following sections of the Washington Administrative Code are repealed:

WAC 314-12-033	Limited partnerships.
WAC 314-12-200	Converting a public house license (RCW 66.24.580) to a domestic brewery, microbrewery or domestic winery license.

NEW SECTION

WAC 314-03-100 What types of activities on a licensed premises require notice to the board? Liquor licensees must notify their local enforcement office in writing at least five days prior to conducting the following activities unless the licensee has received an exception from their enforcement officer:

(1) Male/female dance reviews, subject to the provision of WAC 314-11-050;

(2) Live boxing or wrestling;

(3) Contests or games where patrons are part of the entertainment;

(4) Hours of operation in between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. for licensees that sell liquor for on-premises consumption;

(5) Closing the business to the general public for a private party; and

(6) Outside service for one-time events such as a holiday celebration where liquor service and consumption is planned to extend to an area of the premises that does not have board approval for liquor service. The licensee must have leasehold rights to the area where alcohol service and consumption is planned.

NEW SECTION

WAC 314-03-200 Outside or extended alcohol service. A licensee must request approval from the board's licensing division for ongoing outside or extended alcohol service. The following conditions must be met:

(1) The area must be enclosed with a permanent or movable barrier a minimum of forty-two inches in height; and

(2) There must be an interior access to the licensed premises. If the interior access is from a minor restricted area of the premises, minors are prohibited in the outside or extended alcohol service area.

(3) There must be an attendant, wait staff, or server dedicated to the outside service area when patrons are present.

(4) Must have leasehold rights to the area and have and be connected to the licensed premises.

(5) Openings into and out of the outside area cannot exceed ten feet. If there is more than one opening along one side, the total combined opening may not exceed ten feet.

(6) **Exception.** For sidewalk cafe outside service, the board allows local regulations that, in conjunction with a local sidewalk cafe permit, requires a forty-two inch barrier or permanent demarcation of the designated alcohol service areas for continued enforcement of the boundaries.

(a) The permanent demarcation must be at all boundaries of the outside service area;

(b) The permanent demarcation must be at least six inches in diameter;

(c) The permanent demarcation must be placed at a minimum of ten feet apart;

(d) There must be an attendant, wait staff, or server dedicated to the outside service area when patrons are present;

(e) This exception only applies to restaurant liquor licenses with sidewalk cafe service areas contiguous to the liquor licensed premises. "Contiguous" means touching along a boundary or at a point;

(f) This exception does not apply to beer gardens, standing room only venues, and permitted special events. Board approval is still required with respect to sidewalk cafe barrier requirements.

(7) **Limited exception.** The board may grant limited exceptions to the required forty-two inch high barrier for outside alcohol service areas.

(a) The licensee must have exclusive leasehold rights to the outside service area.

(b) There must be permanent demarcations at all boundaries of the outside service area for continued enforcement of the boundaries.

NEW SECTION

WAC 314-03-300 Alterations to a licensed premises. The following changes to a licensed premises require approval from the board's licensing division:

(1) Any alteration that affects the size of a premises' customer service area.

(a) The licensee must submit two sets of floor plans showing the changes.

(b) The board's licensing division will make an initial response on the licensee's request for alterations within five business days.

(c) The licensee must contact their local liquor enforcement officer when the alteration is completed.

(d) The licensee may begin liquor service in conjunction with the alteration after the completed alteration is inspected by the liquor enforcement officer.

(2) Excluding persons under twenty-one years of age from a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant or a spirits, beer, and wine nightclub.

The licensee must submit their request to the board's licensing division for an approval.

(3) Excluding persons under twenty-one years of age from the dining area of a beer and/or wine restaurant.

The licensee must submit their request to the board's licensing division for an approval.

(4) Reclassifying a lounge as open to persons under twenty-one years of age for a special event.

The licensee must submit their request to the board's licensing division for an approval.

WAC 314-02-106 What is a spirits retailer license? (1) A spirits retailer licensee may not sell spirits under this license until June 1, 2012. A spirits retailer is a retail license. The holder of a spirits retailer license is allowed to:

(a) Sell spirits in original containers to consumers for off-premises consumption;

(b) Sell spirits in original containers to permit holders (see chapter 66.20 RCW);

(c) Sell spirits in original containers to on-premises liquor retailers, for resale at their licensed premises, although no single sale may exceed twenty-four liters(~~(, and single sales to an on-premises licensee are limited to one per day)~~); and

(d) Export spirits in original containers.

(2) A spirits retailer licensee that intends to sell to another retailer must possess a basic permit under the Federal Alcohol Administration Act. This permit must provide for purchasing distilled spirits for resale at wholesale. A copy of the federal basic permit must be submitted to the board. A federal basic permit is required for each location from which the spirits retailer licensee plans to sell to another retailer.

(3) A sale by a spirits retailer licensee is a retail sale only if not for resale to an on-premises spirits retailer. On-premises retail licensees that purchase spirits from a spirits retail licensee must abide by RCW 66.24.630.

(4) A spirits retail licensee must pay to the board seventeen percent of all spirits sales. The first payment is due to the board October 1, 2012, for sales from June 1, 2012, to June 30, 2012 (see WAC 314-02-109 for quarterly reporting requirements).

Reporting of spirits sales and payment of fees must be submitted on forms provided by the board.

(5) A spirits retail licensee may apply for a spirits sampling endorsement to conduct spirits sampling if they meet the following criteria:

(a) Be a participant in the responsible vendor program;

(b) Advertising:

(i) For spirits retail licensees that also hold a grocery store license, signs advertising spirits samplings may not be placed in the windows or outside of the premises that can be viewed from the public right of way;

(ii) For spirits retail licensees that also hold a beer/wine specialty store license, advertising of spirits sampling may be advertised but not state that sampling is free of charge.

(c) Spirits samplings are to be conducted in the following manner:

(i) Spirits samplings service area and facilities must be located within the licensees' fully enclosed retail area and must be of a size and design that the licensee can observe and control persons in the area.

(ii) The licensee must provide a sketch of the sampling area. Fixed or moveable barriers are required around the sampling area to ensure that persons under twenty-one years of age and apparently intoxicated persons cannot possess or consume alcohol. The sketch is to be included with the application for the spirits sampling endorsement.

(iii) Each sample may be no more than one-half ounce of spirits, and no more than a total of one and one-half ounces of spirits samples per person during any one visit to the premises. Spirits samples may be altered with mixers, water, and/or ice.

(iv) The licensee must have food available for the sampling participants.

(v) Customers must remain in the service area while consuming samples.

(vi) All employees serving spirits during sampling events must hold a class 12 server permit.

(vii) There must be at least two employees on duty when conducting spirits sampling events.

(viii) Spirits sampling activities are subject to RCW 66.28.305 and 66.28.040.

(d) Licensees are required to send a list of scheduled spirits samplings to their regional enforcement office at the beginning of each month. The date and time for each sampling must be included.

(6) The annual fee for a spirits retail license is one hundred sixty-six dollars.

WAC 314-07-055 Temporary retail license. Applicants may request a temporary retail liquor license in addition to an annual license for the same business. If granted, the temporary license allows the applicant to operate for a period of up to one hundred twenty days while the annual license application is being processed.

Type of Application	Qualification and process to receive a temporary retail license
<p>(1) New business, existing licensed business, or new license type:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant is applying for a license at a business location that does not hold a current, valid liquor license. • Applicant is applying for the same license privilege at a location that has a valid license that has not expired. • Applicant is applying for a license or a business that has an existing license at the location, but the applicant is applying for a different license privilege(s). 	<p>In order to receive a temporary license, the applicant(s) must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ((• Sign the acknowledgment form.)) ((• Clear a criminal history check, per WAC 314-07-040.)) • Complete ((a briefing on liquor laws and regulations, per WAC 314-07-020(7))) <u>licensing requirements as determined by the board.</u> • The local authority and any churches, schools, or public colleges or universities within 500 feet of the proposed licensed business must have responded to the liquor control board's notice of liquor license application, or the time period must have passed. See WAC 314-07-020, subsections (1), (2), and (3) for more information. • When the annual liquor license is issued, the fee will be pro-rated back to the date of issuance of the temporary license.

(2) For the purposes of this section, "retail liquor license" shall include all classes of liquor licenses that allow the holder to sell liquor directly to the public.

(3) The privilege of having a temporary license issued upon an application for license does not apply to breweries ~~((or))~~, wineries, or distilleries.

(4) A temporary license under subsection (1) ~~((above))~~ of this section may be issued for a distributor license applicant.