

NOTICE OF RULE MAKING

Barriers in Liquor Licensed Establishments Proposed Rules WSR # 19-24-050

The Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board would like your input on the proposed rules regarding:

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?

WAC 314-02-033 Do spirits, beer, and wine restaurants that exclude minors from the premises have to put demarcations around their dedicated dining area(s)?

WAC 314-03-200 Outside or extended alcohol service

The proposed revisions:

- Allow options other than a forty-two-inch barrier to designate areas classified as off-limits to minors in beer/wine and spirits/beer/wine restaurants;
- Outline several demarcation options;
- Clarify that floor plans and demarcation options must be approved by the board;
- Specifically exclude tape, paint, or stickers on floors, walls, or ceilings as demarcation options;
- Update requirements for "minor prohibited" signs to include the requirements that signage be visible to patrons who are approaching the off-limits areas, and also once inside the off-limits area.
- Allow licensees to request reclassification of their off-limits areas as open to minors for regularly scheduled or special events with prior board approval (Note: Reclassification requests are considered an alteration to a licensed premises under WAC 314-03-300);
- Make technical and clarifying changes; and
- Correct an error in WAC 314-03-200

This notice can be found at <u>https://lcb.wa.gov/laws/laws-and-rules</u> under Proposed Rules.

The Liquor and Cannabis Board encourages you to give input on this rule. The board will hold at least one public hearing before the rules are adopted.

Public Comment

Please forward your comments to the Liquor and Cannabis Board by mail, e-mail, or fax by January 8, 2020.

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Public Hearing:	January 8, 2020 10:00 a.m. Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board – Board Room		

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