



Notice of Permanent Rules for Sampling by Distilleries

This explanatory statement concerns the Washington State Liquor Control Board's adoption of amendments to WAC 314-29-030 What does a distillery license allow and WAC 314-28-050 What does a craft distillery allow>

The Administrative Procedure Act (RCW 34.05.325(6)) requires agencies to complete a concise explanatory statement before filing adopted rules with the Office of the Code Reviser. This statement must be provided to anyone who gave comment about the proposed rule making.

Once persons who gave comment during this rule making have had a chance to receive this document, the Liquor Control Board will file the amended rules with the Office of the Code Reviser. These rule changes will become effective 31 days after filing (approximately August 29, 2015).

The Liquor Control Board appreciates your involvement in this rule making process. If you have any questions, please contact Karen McCall, Rules Coordinator, at (360) 664-1631 or e-mail at rules@liq.wa.gov.

What are the agency's reasons for adopting this rule?

A petition for rulemaking was submitted by Stephanie J. Meier on behalf of Blue Spirits Distributing, LLC, a licensed craft distiller in the state of Washington. The request is to allow licensed distillers and craft distillers to use mixers in addition to ice and/or water when providing samples to their customers at their licensed premises. This allowance would be consistent with sampling activities by spirits retail licensees.

Summary of all public comments received on this rule proposal.

No comments were received at the public hearing held on July 15, 2015. No written comments were received.

WAC Changes

See attachment.