- 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 person or entity associated with the application to submit information or documentation requested by the board.
- (3) Refusal by any person or entity associated with the application to submit information or documentation requested by the board.
- (4) Misrepresentation of fact by any 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.

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