

WAC 314-23-001 What does a spirits distributor license allow?

(1) A spirits distributor licensee is allowed to:

(a) Sell spirits purchased from manufacturers, distillers, importers, or spirits certificate of approval holders;

(b) Sell spirits to any liquor licensee allowed to sell spirits;

(c) Sell spirits to other spirits distributors;

(d) Sell spirits to bona fide full-time employees per RCW 66.28.185 under the following conditions:

(i) No spirits may be sold unless they are in such condition that they cannot reasonably be sold in the normal course of business, such as damage to the label on an individual bottle;

(ii) No spirits may be sold for less than the spirits distributor licensee's cost of acquisition; and

(iii) No spirits may be sold to a person who has been employed by the spirits distributor licensee for less than ninety days at the time of the sale or who is under the age of twenty-one.

(e) Export spirits from the state of Washington.

(2) The price of spirits sold to retailers may not be below acquisition cost.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 66.24 RCW, RCW 66.08.030 and Court of Appeals Decision: Washington Restaurant Association, et al., v. WSLCB, 200 Wn.App. 119, 401 P.3d 428 (2017). WSR 19-21-002, § 314-23-001, filed 10/2/19, effective 1/1/20. Statutory Authority: RCW 66.08.030, 66.24.055, 66.24.160, 66.24.630, and 66.24.640. WSR 12-12-065, § 314-23-001, filed 6/5/12, effective 7/6/12.]