

**WAC 314-16-110 Liquor purchases by spirits, beer, and wine licensees.** (1) Any employee authorized by the board may sell spirituous liquor at a discount of 15 percent from the retail price fixed by the board, together with all taxes, to any spirits, beer and wine restaurant, spirits, beer, and wine nightclub, spirits, beer, and wine club or sports/entertainment facility licensee upon presentation to such employee at the time of purchase of a special permit issued by the board to such licensee or through such other means of insuring identification of the authorized purchaser as are approved by the board. Prior to license delivery, a new licensee may, with board authorization, be sold discount liquor and beer and wine purchased under Title 66 RCW for the purpose of stocking the premises. The employee shall at the time of selling any spirituous liquor to a spirits, beer and wine restaurant, spirits, beer, and wine nightclub, spirits, beer, and wine club or sports/entertainment facility licensee make a record of the liquor so sold, together with the name of the spirits, beer and wine restaurant, spirits, beer, and wine nightclub, spirits, beer, and wine club or sports/entertainment facility licensee making the purchase. No sale of beer, wine, or spirituous liquor shall take place until the premises of the new licensee have been inspected by the board and the spirits, beer and wine restaurant, spirits, beer, and wine nightclub, spirits, beer, and wine club or sports/entertainment facility license is delivered.

(2) Every spirits, beer and wine restaurant, spirits, beer, and wine nightclub, spirits, beer, and wine club or sports/entertainment facility licensee, upon purchasing any spirituous liquor from the board, shall immediately cause such liquor to be delivered to their licensed premises, and they shall not remove or permit to be removed from said premises any bottle or other container containing such liquor, except pursuant to chapter 314-70 WAC or to return it to a state liquor store or agency, nor shall they dispose or allow to be disposed the liquor contained therein in any manner except as authorized by their license. A delivery service business may pick up more than one liquor order on the same day so long as each of said orders are delivered in the normal course of business on the same day without detour or diversion, except for those stops and deliveries as may be necessary to make deliveries to the other licensees whose order is also on the particular delivery vehicle. The possession of any bottle or other container purchased from the board at a discount by any person other than the licensee or said licensee's agents or employees who purchased the same, or the possession thereof at any place which is not the licensed premises of the licensee who purchased such liquor, shall be prima facie evidence that the licensee unlawfully permitted the removal thereof from their licensed premises. The licensee who permanently discontinues business, other than as a result of a legal distraint action, may remove open bottles of liquor from the premises for personal use upon payment to the board of an amount to be determined by the board in lieu of the discount and tax exemption in effect at that time.

(3) No licensee shall keep in or on the licensed premises any spirituous liquor which was not purchased from the board at a discount. Spirituous liquor not purchased at a discount from the board may be kept in or on the licensed premises under authority of a banquet permit issued pursuant to RCW 66.20.010(3) and chapter 314-18 WAC, but only during the specific date and time for which the banquet permit was issued. Notwithstanding any other provision of Title 314 WAC, a spirits, beer and wine licensee may display antique, unusual,

or unique liquor bottles with or without liquor on the licensed premises if such bottles are used as part of the decor, and any such bottles containing liquor are locked securely in display cases, and are not for sale.

(4) No person, including anyone acting as the agent for another other than a spirits, beer and wine licensee shall keep or possess any bottle or other container containing spirituous liquor which was purchased from the board at a discount except as provided in subsection (2) of this section.

(5) All spirituous liquor in and on the licensed premises shall be made available at all times by every licensee for inspection by the board, and such licensee shall permit any authorized inspector of the board to make such tests or analyses, by spirit hydrometer or otherwise, as the inspector deems proper. Such inspectors are authorized to seize as evidence any bottles or other containers and the contents thereof which they have determined have been reused, refilled, tampered with, adulterated, diluted, fortified or substituted.

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