

WAC 314-29-040 Information about liquor license suspensions.

(1) On the date a liquor license suspension goes into effect, a liquor and cannabis board enforcement officer will post a suspension notice in a conspicuous place on or about the licensed premises. This notice will state that the license has been suspended by order of the liquor and cannabis board due to a violation of a board law or rule.

(2) During the period of liquor license suspension, the licensee and employees:

(a) Are required to maintain compliance with all applicable liquor laws and rules;

(b) May not remove, alter, or cover the posted suspension notice, and may not permit another person to do so;

(c) May not place or permit the placement of any statement on the licensed premises indicating that the premises have been closed for any reason other than as stated in the suspension notice (see WAC 314-01-005 for the definition of "licensed premises").

(d) May not advertise by any means that the licensed premises is closed for any reason other than as stated in the liquor and cannabis board's suspension notice.

(3) During the period of liquor license suspension:

(a) A retail liquor licensee may operate their business provided there is no sale, delivery, service, consumption, removal, or receipt of liquor. No banquet permit or special occasion function may be held on the premises during a period of liquor license suspension.

(b) A nonretail licensee may operate their business provided there is no sale, delivery, service, consumption, removal, or receipt of liquor.

(c) A manufacturer of alcohol may do whatever is necessary as a part of the manufacturing process to keep current stock that is on hand at the time of the suspension from spoiling or becoming unsaleable during a suspension, provided it does not include bottling the product. The manufacturer may not receive any agricultural products used in the production of alcohol, crush fruit, or bottle alcohol during the period of suspension.

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