

WAC 314-02-030 Can a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant exclude persons under 21 years of age from the premises? A spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensee may exclude minors from the entire premises at all times as approved by the board.

(1) To exclude minors from the entire licensed premises at all times the applicant or licensee must:

(a) Indicate during the liquor license application process that they do not wish to have minors on the entire premises at all times; or

(b) If already licensed as a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant that allows minors, the applicant may request permission from the board's licensing and regulation division to exclude minors at all times or for a specific event. See WAC 314-02-130 for instructions on requesting this approval.

(c) Spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensees who exclude minors from the entire premises at all times or at certain times must meet all other requirements of this license, including the food service requirements outlined in WAC 314-02-035.

(d) During the times that a spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licensee excludes minors from the entire premises, the licensee may not employ minors. (See RCW 66.44.316 for more information on employing minors.)

(2) Restaurants that have less than 15 percent of their total customer service area dedicated to dining must exclude minors from the entire premises. The licensee:

(a) Must pay the largest annual license fee (less than 50 percent dedicated dining);

(b) Must meet all other requirements of this license, including the food service requirements outlined in WAC 314-02-035; and

(c) May not employ minors at any time. (See RCW 66.44.316 for information on employing certain persons 18 years and over under specific conditions.)

(3) See WAC 314-11-060(1) regarding requirements for "minors prohibited" signage.

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