

WAC 314-03-500 Endorsement for sale of manufacturer sealed alcohol products through takeout or delivery service. (1) An endorsement for the sale of manufacturer sealed alcohol products is available through takeout and delivery service as set forth in section 1 (5)(d), chapter 279, Laws of 2023. There is no fee for a licensee to apply for and obtain this endorsement.

(2)(a) An endorsement to sell manufacturer sealed alcohol products at retail through takeout or delivery service is available to the following licensees: Beer and wine restaurants; spirits, beer, and wine restaurants; taverns; domestic wineries; domestic breweries and microbreweries; distilleries; snack bars; nonprofit arts licensees; and caterers.

(b) This endorsement is separate from the endorsements in WAC 314-03-505 and 314-03-510 that authorize the sale through takeout or delivery service of nonmanufacturer or nonfactory sealed premixed cocktails, wine by the glass, premixed wine and spirits cocktails, premixed wine drinks, or growlers.

(3) In order to obtain and maintain the endorsement described in this section, licensees must meet the following requirements:

(a) Alcohol products must be sold in closed, factory or manufacturer sealed packages or containers, such as cans, bottles, and kegs. Licensees may only sell the types of manufacturer sealed alcohol products under this endorsement that they are authorized to sell under the terms of their license.

(b)(i) Except as provided in (b)(ii) of this subsection, if an alcohol product authorized for sale under this endorsement is enclosed inside a bag, box, or other packaging before the alcohol product is provided to the customer through takeout or delivery service, the exterior of the bag, box, or other packaging must be clearly marked or labeled with the words "CONTAINS ALCOHOL, FOR PERSONS 21+" in a size that is legible and readily visible.

(ii) Brewery, winery, and distillery licensees are not required to mark or label the exterior of the bag, box, or other packaging as described in (b)(i) of this subsection if the alcohol product is provided to the customer through takeout service.

(c) If the alcohol products authorized for sale under this endorsement are sold through delivery service:

(i) Licensees must comply with the requirements in the consumer orders, internet sales, and delivery rules in this title. For these requirements, see WAC 314-03-020 through 314-03-040.

(ii) At the time of delivery, the employee making the delivery must verify that the person receiving the delivery is at least 21 years of age using an acceptable form of identification in WAC 314-11-025. See RCW 66.44.270.

(iii) As set forth in section 1(8), chapter 279, Laws of 2023, upon delivery of the alcohol product, the signature of the person age 21 or over receiving the delivery must be obtained. Delivery sales records must meet the requirements in the consumer orders, internet sales, and delivery rules. For general record retention requirements, see WAC 314-11-095.

(iv) If no person age 21 or over is present to accept the alcohol product at the time of delivery, the alcohol product must be returned. An alcohol product may not be left unattended at a delivery location.

(v) Delivery of an alcohol product may not be made to any person who shows signs of intoxication. See RCW 66.44.200.

(d)(i) In addition to the signs required by WAC 314-11-060, signs provided electronically by the board regarding public consumption and

transportation of any alcohol products sold through takeout or delivery service must be posted in plain view at:

(A) The main entrance to the area of the premises where alcohol products are sold; and

(B) The areas of the premises where alcohol products are picked up for takeout or delivery service.

(ii) The signs will be designed to remind customers purchasing alcohol products through takeout or delivery service that they must comply with applicable laws and rules including, but not limited to, restrictions on consuming alcohol in public in RCW 66.44.100 and restrictions on drinking or having an open container in a vehicle in RCW 46.61.519.

(4) In addition to the requirements listed in this section, licensees must comply with all applicable requirements in Title 66 RCW, Title 314 WAC, and any other applicable laws and rules including, but not limited to: Keg sale requirements in WAC 314-02-115 and restrictions on sales to minors and intoxicated persons in chapter 66.44 RCW and WAC 314-16-150.

(5) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

(a) "Alcohol product" means liquor as defined in RCW 66.04.010.

(b) "Factory sealed" or "manufacturer sealed" means that a package or container is in 100 percent resalable condition, with all manufacturer's seals intact.

(6) The delivery service endorsement described in this section expires July 1, 2025, as set forth in section 1(3), chapter 279, Laws of 2023.

[Statutory Authority: 2023 c 279, RCW 66.08.071, and 66.08.030. WSR 23-14-119, § 314-03-500, filed 7/5/23, effective 7/5/23. Statutory Authority: 2021 c 48 § 2, RCW 66.08.071, 66.08.030 and 2021 c 48. WSR 22-01-052, § 314-03-500, filed 12/8/21, effective 1/8/22.]