



CHAPTER 18B
ARTICLE 10 - RETAIL ACTIVITY

N.C.G.S. § 18B-1001.

Kinds of ABC permits; places eligible.

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When the issuance of the permit is lawful in the jurisdiction in which the premises are located, the Commission may issue the following kinds of permits:

On-Premises Malt Beverage Permit. - An on-premises malt beverage permit authorizes (i) the retail sale of malt beverages for consumption on the premises, either alone or mixed with other beverages, (ii) the retail sale of malt beverages in the manufacturer's original container for consumption off the premises, and (iii) the retail sale of malt beverages in a cleaned and sanitized container that is filled or refilled and sealed for consumption off the premises and that identifies the permittee and the date the container was filled or refilled. The permit also authorizes the permittee to transfer malt beverages, not more than four times per calendar year, to another on-premises malt beverage permittee that is under common ownership or control as the transferor. Except as authorized by this subdivision, transfers of malt beverages by on-premises malt beverage permittees, purchases of malt beverages by a retail permittee from another retail permittee for the purpose of resale, and sales of malt beverages by a retail permittee to another retail permittee for the purpose of resale are unlawful. In addition, a particular brand of malt beverages may be transferred only if both the transferor and transferee are located within the territory designated between the brewery and the wholesaler on file with the Commission. Prior to or contemporaneous with any such transfer, the transferor shall notify each wholesaler who distributes the transferred product of the transfer. The notice shall be in writing or verifiable electronic format and shall identify the transferor and transferee, the date of the transfer, quantity, and items transferred. It also authorizes the holder of the permit to ship malt beverages in closed containers to individual purchasers inside and outside the State. The permit may be issued for any of the following:

- a.Restaurants.
- b.Hotels.
- c.Eating establishments.

- d. Food businesses.
- e. Retail businesses.
- f. Private clubs.
- g. Convention centers.
- h. Community theatres.
- i. Breweries as authorized by subdivisions (7) and (8) of G.S. 18B-1104(a).
- j. Sports and entertainment venues.
- k. Bars.
- l. The holder of a distillery permit authorized under G.S. 18B-1105.

Off-Premises Malt Beverage Permit. - An off-premises malt beverage permit authorizes (i) the retail sale of malt beverages in the manufacturer's original container for consumption off the premises, (ii) the retail sale of malt beverages in a cleaned and sanitized container that is filled or refilled and sealed for consumption off the premises and that identifies the permittee and the date the container was filled or refilled, and (iii) the holder of the permit to ship malt beverages in closed containers to individual purchasers inside and outside the State. The permit also authorizes the permittee to transfer malt beverages, not more than four times per calendar year, to another off-premises malt beverage permittee that is under common ownership or control as the transferor. Except as authorized by this subdivision, transfers of malt beverages by off-premises malt beverage permittees, purchases of malt beverages by a retail permittee from another retail permittee for the purpose of resale, and sales of malt beverages by a retail permittee to another retail permittee for the purpose of resale are unlawful. In addition, a particular brand of malt beverages may be transferred only if both the transferor and transferee are located within the territory designated between the brewery and the wholesaler on file with the Commission. Prior to or contemporaneous with any such transfer, the transferor shall notify each wholesaler who distributes the transferred product of the transfer. The notice shall be in writing or verifiable electronic format and shall identify the transferor and transferee, the date of the transfer, quantity, and items transferred. The permit may be issued for any of the following:

- a. Restaurants.
- b. Hotels.
- c. Eating establishments.
- d. Food businesses.
- e. Retail businesses.

f. The holder of a brewing, distillation, and fermentation course authorization under G.S. 18B-1114.6. A school obtaining a permit under this subdivision is authorized to sell malt beverages manufactured during its brewing, distillation, and fermentation program at one noncampus location in a county where the permittee holds and offers classes on a regular full-time basis in a facility owned by the permittee.

On-Premises Unfortified Wine Permit. - An on-premises unfortified wine permit authorizes (i) the retail sale of unfortified wine for consumption on the premises, either alone or mixed with other beverages, (ii) the retail sale of unfortified wine in the manufacturer's original container for consumption off the premises, and (iii) the retail sale of unfortified wine dispensed from a tap connected to a pressurized container utilizing carbon dioxide or similar gas into a cleaned and sanitized container that is filled or refilled and sealed for consumption off the premises and that identifies the permittee and the date the container was filled or refilled. The permit also authorizes the permittee to transfer unfortified wine, not more than four times per calendar year, to another on-premises unfortified wine permittee that is under common ownership or control as the transferor. Except as authorized by this subdivision, transfers of wine by on-premises unfortified wine permittees, purchases of wine by a retail permittee from another retail permittee for the purpose of resale, and sale of wine by a retail permittee to another retail permittee for the purpose of resale are unlawful. In addition, a particular brand of wine may be transferred only if both the transferor and transferee are located within the territory designated between the winery and the wholesaler on file with the Commission. Prior to or contemporaneous with any such transfer, the transferor shall notify each wholesaler who distributes the transferred product of the transfer. The notice shall be in writing or verifiable electronic format and shall identify the transferor and transferee, the date of the transfer, quantity, and items transferred. The holder of the permit is authorized to ship unfortified wine in closed containers to individual purchasers inside and outside the State. Orders received by a winery by telephone, internet, mail, facsimile, or other off-premises means of communication shall be shipped pursuant to a wine shipper permit and not pursuant to this subdivision. The permit may be issued for any of the following:

- a. Restaurants.
- b. Hotels.
- c. Eating establishments.
- d. Private clubs.
- e. Convention centers.
- f. Cooking schools.
- g. Community theatres.
- h. Wineries.
- i. Wine producers.

j.Retail businesses.

k.Sports and entertainment venues.

l.Bars.

m.The holder of a distillery permit authorized under G.S. 18B-1105.

n.Breweries.

Additionally, an on-premises unfortified wine permit authorizes a permittee that is a restaurant, eating establishment, hotel, private club, bar, brewery, winery, or wine producer to sell at retail single-serving unfortified wine drinks for consumption off the premises, including delivery by the permittee or a delivery service permittee. Single-serving unfortified wine drinks sold for consumption off the premises must be sold with food and shall be packaged in a container with a secure lid or cap and in a manner designed to prevent consumption without removal of the lid or cap. The container shall be no greater than 24 fluid ounces. In accordance with G.S. 20-138.7, the transportation of single-serving unfortified wine drinks in a motor vehicle shall not be unlawful if the container is an unopened manufacturer's original container or is transported in a locked container, in the trunk, or in the area behind the last upright seat in a motor vehicle not equipped with a trunk. Notwithstanding G.S. 18B-1010, the sale of more than two single-serving unfortified wine drinks at one time shall not be unlawful if the single-serving unfortified wine drinks are sold for delivery or consumption off the permittee's premises. No single-serving unfortified wine by the drink ordered for off-premises consumption shall be provided to any person other than the purchaser of the single-serving unfortified wine drink, except that in the case of delivery, the delivery service permittee through its employees or agents may provide the single-serving unfortified wine drink to a person other than the purchaser if the permittee or the permittee's employees or agents verify that the person is over 21 years of age using age verification software requiring the recipient to provide a form of photographic identification authorized in G.S. 18B-302(d)(1).

Off-Premises Unfortified Wine Permit. - An off-premises unfortified wine permit authorizes (i) the retail sale of unfortified wine in the manufacturer's original container for consumption off the premises, (ii) the retail sale of unfortified wine dispensed from a tap connected to a pressurized container utilizing carbon dioxide or similar gas into a cleaned and sanitized container that is filled or refilled and sealed for consumption off the premises and that identifies the permittee and the date the container was filled or refilled, and (iii) the holder of the permit to ship unfortified wine in closed containers to individual purchasers inside and outside the State. The permit may be issued for retail businesses. The permit also authorizes the permittee to transfer unfortified wine, not more than four times per calendar year, to another off-premises unfortified wine permittee that is under common ownership or control as the transferor. Except as authorized by this subdivision, transfers of wine by off-premises unfortified wine permittees, purchases of wine by a retail permittee from another retail permittee for the purpose of resale, and sale of wine by a retail permittee to another retail permittee for the purpose of resale are unlawful. In addition, a

particular brand of wine may be transferred only if both the transferor and transferee are located within the territory designated between the winery and the wholesaler on file with the Commission. Prior to or contemporaneous with any such transfer, the transferor shall notify each wholesaler who distributes the transferred product of the transfer. The notice shall be in writing or verifiable electronic format and shall identify the transferor and transferee, the date of the transfer, quantity, and items transferred. The permit may also be issued to the holder of a viticulture/enology course authorization under G.S. 18B-1114.4. A school obtaining a permit under this subdivision is authorized to sell wines manufactured during its viticulture/enology program at one non-campus location in a county where the permittee holds and offers classes on a regular full-time basis in a facility owned by the permittee. The permit may also be issued for a winery or a wine producer for sale of its own unfortified wine during hours when the winery or wine producer's premises is open to the public, subject to any local ordinance adopted pursuant to G.S. 18B-1004(d) concerning hours for the retail sale of unfortified wine. A winery obtaining a permit under this subdivision is authorized to sell wine manufactured by the winery at one additional location in the county under the same conditions specified in G.S. 18B-1101(5) for the sale of wine at the winery; provided, however, that no other alcohol sales shall be authorized at the additional location. Orders received by a winery by telephone, internet, mail, facsimile, or other off-premises means of communication shall be shipped pursuant to a wine shipper permit and not pursuant to this subdivision.

On-Premises Fortified Wine Permit. - An on-premises fortified wine permit authorizes the retail sale of fortified wine for consumption on the premises, either alone or mixed with other beverages, and the retail sale of fortified wine in the manufacturer's original container for consumption off the premises. The permit also authorizes the permittee to transfer fortified wine, not more than four times per calendar year, to another on-premises fortified wine permittee that is under common ownership or control as the transferor. Except as authorized by this subdivision, transfers of wine by on-premises fortified wine permittees, purchases of wine by a retail permittee from another retail permittee for the purpose of resale, and sale of wine by a retail permittee to another retail permittee for the purpose of resale are unlawful. In addition, a particular brand of wine may be transferred only if both the transferor and transferee are located within the territory designated between the winery and the wholesaler on file with the Commission. Prior to or contemporaneous with any such transfer, the transferor shall notify each wholesaler who distributes the transferred product of the transfer. The notice shall be in writing or verifiable electronic format and shall identify the transferor and transferee, the date of the transfer, quantity, and items transferred. The holder of the permit is authorized to ship fortified wine in closed containers to individual purchasers inside and outside the State. Orders received by a winery by telephone, internet, mail, facsimile, or other off-premises means of communication shall be shipped pursuant to a wine shipper permit and not pursuant to this subdivision. The permit may be issued for any of the following:

a. Restaurants.

b. Hotels.

- c.Private clubs.
- d.Community theatres.
- e.Wineries.
- f.Convention centers.
- g.Bars.
- h.The holder of a distillery permit authorized under G.S. 18B-1105.
- i.Sports and entertainment venues.
- j.Breweries.

Additionally, an on-premises fortified wine permit authorizes a permittee that is a restaurant, hotel, private club, bar, brewery, or winery to sell at retail single-serving fortified wine drinks for consumption of - f the premises, including delivery by the permittee or a delivery service permittee. Single-serving fortified wine drinks sold for consumption off the premises must be sold with food and shall be packaged in a container with a secure lid or cap and in a manner designed to prevent consumption without removal of the lid or cap. The container shall be no greater than 24 fluid ounces. In accordance with G.S. 20-138.7-, the transportation of single-serving fortified wine drinks in a motor vehicle shall not be unlawful if the container is an unopened manufacturer's original container or is transported in a locked container, in the trunk, or in the area behind the last upright seat in a motor vehicle not equipped with a trunk. Notwithstanding G.S. 18B-1010, the sale of more than two single-serving fortified wine drinks at one time shall not be unlawful if the single-serving fortified wine drinks are sold for delivery or consumption off the permittee's premises. No single-serving fortified wine by the drink ordered for off-premises consumption shall be provided to any person other than the purchaser of the single-serving fortified wine drink, except that in the case of delivery, the delivery service permittee through its employees or agents may provide the single-serving fortified wine drink to a person other than the purchaser if the permittee or the permittee's employees or agents verify that the person is over 21 years of age using age verification software requiring the recipient to provide a form of photographic identification authorized in G.S. 18B-302(d)(1).

Off-Premises Fortified Wine Permit. - An off-premises fortified wine permit authorizes the retail sale of fortified wine in the manufacturer's original container for consumption off the premises and it authorizes the holder of the permit to ship fortified wine in closed containers to individual purchasers inside and outside the State. The permit may be issued for food businesses. The permit may also be issued for a winery for sale of its own fortified wine. Orders received by a winery by telephone, internet, mail, facsimile, or other off-premises means of communication shall be shipped pursuant to a wine shipper permit and not pursuant to this subdivision. The permit also authorizes the permittee to transfer fortified wine, not more than four times per calendar year, to another off-premises fortified wine permittee that is under common ownership or control as the transferor. Except as authorized by this subdivision, transfers of wine by of -

f-premises fortified wine permittees, purchases of wine by a retail permittee from another retail permittee for the purpose of resale, and sale of wine by a retail permittee to another retail permittee for the purpose of resale are unlawful. In addition, a particular brand of wine may be transferred only if both the transferor and transferee are located within the territory designated between the winery and the wholesaler on file with the Commission. Prior to or contemporaneous with any such transfer, the transferor shall notify each wholesaler who distributes the transferred product of the transfer. The notice shall be in writing or verifiable electronic format and shall identify the transferor and transferee, the date of the transfer, quantity, and items transferred.

Brown-Bagging Permit. - A brown-bagging permit authorizes each individual patron of an establishment, with the permission of the permittee, to bring up to eight liters of fortified wine or spirituous liquor, or eight liters of the two combined, onto the premises and to consume those alcoholic beverages on the premises. The permit may be issued for any of the following:

- a.Restaurants.
- b.Hotels.
- c.Private clubs.
- d.Community theatres.
- e.Congressionally chartered veterans organizations.
- f.Bars.

Special Occasion Permit. - A special occasion permit authorizes the host of a reception, party or other special occasion, with the permission of the permittee, to bring fortified wine and spirituous liquor onto the premises of the business and to serve the same to his guests. The permit may be issued for any of the following:

- a.Restaurants.
- b.Hotels.
- c.Eating establishments.
- d.Private clubs.
- e.Convention centers.
- f.Bars.
- g.Sports and entertainment venues.

Limited Special Occasion Permit. - A limited special occasion permit authorizes the permittee to bring fortified wine and spirituous liquor onto the premises of a business, with the permission of the owner

of that property, and to serve those alcoholic beverages to the permittee's guests at a reception, party, or other special occasion being held there. The permit may be issued to any individual other than the owner or possessor of the premises. An applicant for a limited special occasion permit shall have the written permission of the owner or possessor of the property on which the special occasion is to be held.

Mixed Beverages Permit. - A mixed beverages permit authorizes the retail sale of mixed beverages for consumption on the premises. The permit also authorizes a mixed beverages permittee to obtain an antique spirituous liquor permit under subdivision (20) of this section and to use for culinary purposes spirituous liquor lawfully purchased for use in mixed beverages. The permit may be issued for any of the following:

- a.Restaurants.
- b.Hotels.
- c.Private clubs.
- d.Convention centers.
- e.Community theatres.
- f.Nonprofit organizations.
- g.Political organizations.
- h.Sports and entertainment venues.
- i.Bars.
- j.The holder of a distillery permit authorized under G.S. 18B-1105.
- k.Breweries.
- l.Wineries.

Additionally, a mixed beverages permit authorizes a permittee that is a restaurant, hotel, private club, bar, brewery, winery, or the holder of a distillery permit to sell at retail mixed beverages for consumption off the premises, including delivery by the permittee or a delivery service permittee. A mixed beverage sold for consumption off the premises must be sold with food and shall be (i) a premixed cocktail in the manufacturer's original closed container, or (ii) packaged in a container with a secure lid or cap, and in a manner designed to prevent consumption without removal of the lid or cap. The container shall be no greater than 24 fluid ounces. In accordance with G.S. 20-138.7, the transportation of a mixed beverage in a motor vehicle shall not be unlawful if the container is an unopened manufacturer's original container or is transported in a locked container, in the trunk, or in the area behind the last upright seat in a motor vehicle not equipped with a trunk. Notwithstanding G.S. 18B-1010, the sale of more than one mixed beverage drink at one time shall not be unlawful if the mixed beverage drinks are sold for delivery or consumption off the permittee's premises. No mixed beverage ordered for off-premises consumption shall be provided to any

person other than the purchaser of the mixed beverage, except that in the case of delivery, the delivery service permittee through its employees or agents may provide the mixed beverage to a person other than the purchaser if the permittee or the permittee's employees or agents verify that the person is over 21 years of age using age verification software requiring the recipient to provide a form of photographic identification authorized in G.S. 18B-302(d)(1).

Culinary Permit. - A culinary permit authorizes a permittee to possess up to 12 liters of either fortified wine or spirituous liquor, or 12 liters of the two combined, in the kitchen of a business and to use those alcoholic beverages for culinary purposes only. The permit may be issued for any of the following:

- a.Restaurants.
- b.Hotels.
- c.Cooking schools.
- d.Food businesses.
- e.Eating establishments.

A culinary permit may also be issued to a catering service to allow the possession of the amount of fortified wine and spirituous liquor stated above at the business location of that service and at the cooking site. The permit shall also authorize the caterer to transport those alcoholic beverages to and from the business location and the cooking site, and use them in cooking.

Mixed Beverages Catering Permit. - A mixed beverages catering permit may be issued to a hotel, restaurant, or distillery. A mixed beverages catering permit issued to a hotel or restaurant authorizes the hotel or a restaurant to bring spirituous liquor onto the premises where the hotel or restaurant is catering food for an event and to serve the liquor to guests at the event. A mixed beverages catering permit issued to a distillery allows the distillery to bring spirituous liquor onto the premises where a hotel or restaurant is catering food for an event and serve the liquor to guests at the event, regardless of whether the hotel or restaurant also holds a mixed beverages catering permit.

Mobile Bar Services Permit. - A mobile bar services permit may be issued to a business that provides bartending services for events. The permit authorizes the permittee to bring malt beverages, unfortified wine, fortified wine, and spirituous liquor onto the premises of a business that is not an ABC permittee and to serve the alcoholic beverages to guests at the event. The permittee may purchase malt beverages and unfortified wine from either a retailer or a wholesaler. The permittee may purchase fortified wine from either an ABC store or a wholesaler. The permittee shall purchase spirituous liquor from an ABC store that is designated as a mixed beverage ABC store operated by any local board operating in the same county where the permittee's principal office is located. The permittee may not serve alcoholic beverages pursuant to a mobile bar services permit on the premises of any location owned or possessed by the permittee. The permittee shall notify the Commission, in writing, of the location of any event where the permittee will

serve alcoholic beverages not less than one week before the event and shall have the permission of the owner or possessor of the property on which the event is to be held. Any person serving alcoholic beverages at the event shall be at least 21 years of age. Alcoholic beverages may be transported by the mobile bar services permit holder to the premises of the event no earlier than 8:00 A.M. At the conclusion of the event, all alcoholic beverages must be removed from the premises no later than 12:00 noon of the following day. A limited special occasion permit shall not be required for an event at which alcoholic beverages are exclusively provided by the holder of a mobile bar services permit. The holder of a mobile bar services permit may bring alcoholic beverages onto the premises and serve the alcoholic beverages at an event regardless of whether there is a charge or fee for guests to attend the event. This permit does not allow the retail sale of individual alcoholic beverages to guests at an event.

Guest Room Cabinet Permit. - A guest room cabinet permit authorizes a guest room cabinet permittee to sell to its room guests, from securely locked cabinets, malt beverages, unfortified wine, fortified wine, and spirituous liquor. A permittee shall designate and maintain at least ten percent (10%) of the permittee's guest rooms as rooms that do not have a guest room cabinet. A permittee may dispense alcoholic beverages from a guest room cabinet only in accordance with written policies and procedures filed with and approved by the Commission. A permittee shall provide a reasonable number of vending machines, coolers, or similar machines on premises for the sale of soft drinks to hotel guests.

A guest room cabinet permit may be issued to any of the following:

- a. A hotel (i) holding a mixed beverages permit and (ii) located in a county subject to G.S. 18B-600(f).
- b. A hotel (i) holding a mixed beverages permit and (ii) located in a county that has a population in excess of 150,000 by the last federal census.
- c. A private club (i) holding a mixed beverages permit, (ii) having management contracts for the rental of living units, and (iii) located in a county defined in G.S. 18B-101(13a)b.2.
- d. An 18-hole golf course (i) holding a mixed beverages permit or located in a county where ABC stores have heretofore been established but in which the sale of mixed beverages has not been approved, (ii) having management contracts for the rental of living units, and (iii) located in a county that has a population in excess of 20,000 people by the last federal census.

Brew on Premises Permit. - A permit may be issued to a business, located in a jurisdiction where the sale of malt beverages is allowed, where individual customers who are 21 years old or older may purchase ingredients and rent the equipment, time, and space to brew malt beverages for personal use in amounts set forth in 27 C.F.R. §25.205. The customer must do all of the following:

- a. Select a recipe and kettle.
- b. Weigh out the proper ingredients and add them to the kettle.

c. Transfer the wort to the fermenter.

d. Add the yeast.

e. Place the ingredients in a fermentation room.

f. Filter, carbonate, and bottle the malt beverage.

A permittee may transfer the ingredients from the fermentation room to the cold room and may assist the customer in all the steps involved in brewing a malt beverage except adding the yeast. A malt beverage produced under this subdivision may not contain more than six percent (6%) alcohol by volume.

Wine-Tasting Permit. - A wine-tasting permit authorizes wine tastings on a premises holding a retail permit, by the retail permit holder or his employee. A wine tasting consists of the offering of a sample of one or more unfortified wine products, in amounts of no more than one ounce for each sample, without charge, to customers of the business. Any person pouring wine at a wine tasting shall be at least 21 years of age.

a. Representatives of the winery, which produced the wine, the wine producer, a wholesaler, or a wholesaler's employee may assist with the tasting. Assisting with a wine tasting includes:

1. Pouring samples for customers.

2. Checking the identification of patrons being served at the wine tasting.

b. When a representative of the winery that produced the wine, the wine producer, a wine wholesaler, or a wine wholesaler's employee assists in a wine tasting conducted by a retail permit holder:

1. The retail permit holder shall designate an employee to actively supervise the wine tasting.

2. A retail permit holder's employee shall not supervise more than three wine-tasting areas.

3. No more than six wines may be tasted at any one tasting area.

4. The wine tasting shall not last longer than four hours from the time designated as the starting time by the retail permit holder.

c. The retail permit holder shall be solely liable for any violations of this Chapter occurring in connection with the wine tasting. The Commission shall adopt rules to assure that the tastings are limited to samplings and not a subterfuge for the unlawful sale or distribution of wine, and that the tastings are not used by industry members for unlawful inducements to retail permit holders. Except for purposes of this subsection, the holder of a wine-tasting permit shall not be construed to hold a permit for the on-premises sale or consumption of alcoholic beverages. Any food business is eligible for a wine-tasting permit.

Wine Shop Permit. - A wine shop permit authorizes (i) the retail sale of malt beverages, unfortified wine, and fortified wine in the manufacturer's original container for consumption off the premises, (ii) the retail sale

of malt beverages or unfortified wine dispensed from a tap connected to a pressurized container utilizing carbon dioxide or similar gas in a cleaned and sanitized container that is filled or refilled and sealed for consumption off the premises and that identifies the permittee and the date the container was filled or refilled, and (iii) wine tastings on the premises conducted and supervised by the permittee in accordance with subdivision (15) of this section. It also authorizes the holder of the permit to ship malt beverages, unfortified wine, and fortified wine in closed containers to individual purchasers inside and outside the State. The permit may be issued for retail businesses whose primary purpose is selling malt beverages and wine for consumption off the premises and regularly and customarily educating consumers through tastings, classes, and seminars about the selection, serving, and storing of wine. The holder of the permit is authorized to sell unfortified wine for consumption on the premises, provided that the sale of wine for consumption on the premises does not exceed forty percent (40%) of the establishment's total sales for any 30-day period. The holder of a wine-tasting permit not engaged in the preparation or sale of food on the premises is not subject to Part 6 of Article 8 of Chapter 130A of the General Statutes.

Malt Beverage Shop Permit. - A malt beverage shop permit authorizes (i) the retail sale of malt beverages, unfortified wine, and fortified wine in the manufacturer's original container for consumption off the premises, (ii) the retail sale of malt beverages dispensed from a tap connected to a pressurized container utilizing carbon dioxide or similar gas in a cleaned and sanitized container that is filled or refilled and sealed for consumption off the premises and that identifies the permittee and the date the container was filled or refilled, and (iii) malt beverage tastings on the premises conducted and supervised by the permittee in accordance with subdivision (18) of this section. It also authorizes the holder of the permit to ship malt beverages, unfortified wine, and fortified wine in closed containers to individual purchasers inside and outside the State. The permit may be issued for retail businesses whose primary purpose is selling malt beverages for consumption off the premises and regularly and customarily educating consumers through tastings, classes, and seminars about the selection, serving, and storing of malt beverages. The holder of the permit is authorized to sell malt beverages for consumption on the premises, provided that the sale of malt beverages, combined, for consumption on the premises does not exceed forty percent (40%) of the establishment's total sales for any 30-day period. The holder of a malt beverage tasting permit not engaged in the preparation or sale of food on the premises is not subject to Part 6 of Article 8 of Chapter 130A of the General Statutes.

Winemaking on Premises Permit. - A permit may be issued to a business, located in a jurisdiction where the sale of unfortified wine is allowed, where individual customers who are 21 years old or older may purchase ingredients and rent the equipment, time, and space to make unfortified wine for personal use in amounts set forth in 27 C.F.R. §24.75. Except for wine produced for testing equipment or recipes and samples pursuant to this subdivision, the permit holder shall not engage in the actual production or manufacture of wine. Samples may be consumed on the premises only by a person who has a nonrefundable contract to ferment at the premises, and the samples may not exceed one ounce per sample. All wine produced at a

winemaking on premises facility shall be removed from the premises by the customer and may only be used for home consumption and the personal use of the customer.

Malt Beverage Tasting Permit. - A malt beverage tasting permit authorizes malt beverage tastings on a premises holding a retail permit by the retail permit holder or his employee. A representative of the brewery whose beverages are being featured at the tasting shall be present at the tasting unless the wholesaler or a wholesaler's employee determines that no representative of the brewery needs to be present. A malt beverage tasting consists of the offering of a sample of one or more malt beverage products, in amounts of no more than two ounces for each sample, without charge, to customers of the business. Any persons pouring malt beverage at a malt beverage tasting shall be at least 21 years of age.

a. Representatives of the brewery which produced the malt beverage, a wholesaler, or a wholesaler's employee may assist with the tasting. Assisting with a malt beverage tasting includes:

1. Pouring samples for customers.

2. Checking the identification of patrons being served at the malt beverage tasting.

b. When a representative of the brewery that produced the malt beverage, a malt beverage wholesaler, or a malt beverage wholesaler's employee assists in a malt beverage tasting conducted by a retail permit holder:

1. The retail permit holder shall designate an employee to actively supervise the malt beverage tasting.

2. A retail permit holder's employee shall not supervise more than three malt beverage tasting areas.

3. No more than four malt beverages may be tasted at any one tasting area.

4. The malt beverage tasting shall not last longer than four hours from the time designated as the starting time by the retail permit holder.

c. The retail permit holder shall be solely liable for any violations of this Chapter occurring in connection with the malt beverage tasting. The Commission shall adopt rules to assure that the tastings are limited to samplings and not a subterfuge for the unlawful sale or distribution of malt beverages, and that the tastings are not used by industry members for unlawful inducements to retail permit holders. Except for purposes of this subdivision, the holder of a malt beverage tasting permit shall not be construed to hold a permit for the on-premises sale or consumption of alcoholic beverages. Any food business is eligible for a malt beverage tasting permit.

Spirituos liquor tasting permit. - The holder of any distillery permit authorized by G.S. 18B-1105 may conduct a consumer tasting event on the premises of the distillery subject to the following conditions:

a. Any person pouring spirituous liquor at a tasting shall be an employee of the distillery and at least 21 years of age.

b.The person pouring the spirituous liquor shall be responsible for checking the identification of patrons being served at the tasting.

c.Each consumer is limited to tasting samples of 0.25 ounce of each spirituous liquor which total no more than 1.5 ounces of spirituous liquor in any calendar day.

d.The consumer shall not be charged for any spirituous liquor tasting sample.

e.The spirituous liquor used in the consumer tasting event shall be distilled or produced at the distillery where the event is being held by the permit holder conducting the event.

f.A consumer tasting event shall not be allowed when the sale of spirituous liquor is otherwise prohibited.

g.Tasting samples are not to be offered to, or allowed to be consumed by, any person under the legal age for consuming spirituous liquor.

h.Consumer tasting events authorized under this subdivision may be conducted on any part of the licensed premises of the distillery, except as prohibited by federal law.

The distillery permit holder shall be solely liable for any violations of this Chapter occurring in connection with the tasting. The Commission shall adopt rules to assure that the tastings are limited to samplings and not a subterfuge for the unlawful sale or distribution of spirituous liquor and that the tastings are not used by industry members for unlawful inducements to retail permit holders.

Antique spirituous liquor permit. - A permit under this subdivision may be issued to a holder of a mixed beverages permit issued under subdivision (10) of this section. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the permit holder may sell at retail antique spirituous liquor for use in mixed beverages for consumption on premises. The acquisition of antique spirituous liquor on or after September 1, 2015, shall be in accordance with the process established by rule of the Commission for special orders of spirituous liquor that is not on the list approved by the Commission.

Repealed by Session Laws 2022-49, s. 2(b), effective July 7, 2022.

Airport Central Storage Permit. - A permit under this subdivision may be issued to the owner of a bonded storage warehouse that meets the federal Transportation Security Administration (TSA) security standards (49 C.F.R. §§1542.1 through 1542.307). This permit authorizes the permittee to contract with retail permittees holding permits issued pursuant to G.S. 18B-1001(1), (3), (5), and (10) with one or more retail locations at airports which service airplanes boarding at least 150,000 passengers annually to do the following: (i) store at a central receiving facility located on or within 5 miles of the airport property and outside the retail permittee's licensed premises alcoholic beverages to be sold or served at the retail permittee's airport locations as approved by the Commission and (ii) transport alcoholic beverages from the central receiving facility to the retail permittee's premises or support locations within the airport terminal pursuant to subsections (d) and (e) of G.S. 18B-1115. Alcoholic beverages stored pursuant to this

subdivision shall be the property of the retail permittee. The portion of the airport central storage permitted premises where the retail permittee's alcoholic beverages are stored shall be deemed an extension of the retail permittee's permitted premises for storage only and subject to inspection pursuant to G.S. 18B-503.

Common Carrier Vehicle Permit. - Notwithstanding the results of any local election, a permit under this subdivision may be issued to a business primarily engaged in this State in the intrastate operation of common carriers of passengers and operating under a certificate of authority issued by the North Carolina Utilities Commission. A common carrier vehicle permit authorizes the sale or service of malt beverages, unfortified wine, fortified wine, and mixed beverages in the passenger area of a common carrier of passengers for consumption by passengers in the passenger area during journeys of 75 miles or longer that do not terminate within 10 miles of the origin of the journey. The permit issued to the business shall cover all common carriers of passengers owned by the business. The permit or a copy of the permit shall be prominently displayed on each common carrier of passengers on which alcoholic beverages are served or sold. Notwithstanding G.S. 18B-101(12a), the passenger area of a permittee's common carrier of passengers constitutes the premises for the permit. This permit shall not allow consumption of alcohol on a common carrier of passengers by any employee of the permittee. A permittee may not sell or serve alcoholic beverages to a passenger between the hours of 2:00 A.M. and 7:00 A.M., and a passenger may not be allowed to consume alcoholic beverages between the hours of 2:30 A.M. and 7:00 A.M. Notwithstanding G.S. 18B-1004(c) or any local ordinance, alcoholic beverages may not be sold or consumed before 10:00 A.M. on Sundays. For purposes of this subdivision, a common carrier of passengers has the same meaning as in G.S. 20-4.01(27)d.

Cotenant Permit. - A permit under this subdivision may be issued to a restaurant that occupies the same building as another ABC permittee, provided that the building has no other tenants and the building does not have a common area that is open to the public but not part of the premises of one of the two permittees. The permit authorizes the permittee to allow customers to bring open containers of malt beverages, unfortified wine, fortified wine, or mixed beverages from the premises of the other ABC permittee who occupies the same building onto the premises of the permit holder.

Bring Your Own Beverage Permit. - A permit issued under this subdivision may be issued to an adult live entertainment business as defined in G.S. 14-202.10. This permit authorizes the permittee to allow patrons to bring closed containers of malt beverages and unfortified wine onto the premises and consume the malt beverages and unfortified wine on the premises.

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APPARATUS I
65 ACTS

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Nº	YEAR	ACT	CHARACTER
01	1945	c. 903, s. 1	ENACTED
02	1947	c. 1098, ss. 2, 3	AMENDED
03	1949	c. 974, s. 1	AMENDED
04	1957	cc. 1048, 1448	AMENDED
05	1963	c. 426, ss. 10, 12	AMENDED
06	1963	c. 460, s. 1	AMENDED
07	1971	c. 872, s. 1	AMENDED
08	1973	c. 476, s. 128	AMENDED
09	1975	c. 586, s. 1	AMENDED
10	1975	c. 654, ss. 1, 2	AMENDED
11	1975	c. 722, s. 1	AMENDED
12	1977	c. 70, s. 19	AMENDED
13	1977	c. 182, s. 1	AMENDED
14	1977	c. 669, ss. 1, 2	AMENDED
15	1977	c. 676, ss. 1, 2	AMENDED
16	1977	c. 911	AMENDED
17	1979	c. 348, ss. 2, 3	AMENDED
18	1979	c. 683, ss. 5, 6, 11, 12	AMENDED
19	1981	c. 412, s. 2	AMENDED
20	1981	1981 (Reg. Sess., 1982), c. 1262, ss. 16, 17, 22	AMENDED
21	1983	c. 457, s. 3	AMENDED
22	1983	c. 583, ss. 2-5	AMENDED
23	1985	c. 89, ss. 1-3	AMENDED
24	1985	c. 596, s. 1	AMENDED
25	1987	c. 391, s. 2	AMENDED
26	1987	c. 434, s. 1	AMENDED

27	1989	c. 800, ss. 11, 12	AMENDED
28	1991	c. 459, ss. 5, 6	AMENDED
29	1991	c. 565, ss. 1, 7	AMENDED
30	1991	c. 669, s. 1	AMENDED
31	1991	1991 (Reg. Sess., 1992), c. 920, s. 7	AMENDED
32	1993	c. 508, s. 5	AMENDED
33	1995	c. 466, s. 10	AMENDED
34	1995	c. 509, ss. 16-18	AMENDED
35	1997	S.L. 1997-443, s. 16.28	AMENDED
36	1997	S.L. 1997-467, s. 3	AMENDED
37	2001	S.L. 2001-262, s. 1	AMENDED
38	2001	S.L. 2001-487, s. 49(a)	AMENDED
39	2003	S.L. 2003-402, s. 5	AMENDED
40	2005	S.L. 2005-350, ss. 1, 2(a)	AMENDED
41	2006	S.L. 2006-222, s. 2.1	AMENDED
42	2006	S.L. 2006-227, ss. 1, 9	AMENDED
43	2006	S.L. 2006-264, s. 35.3	AMENDED
44	2009	S.L. 2009-377, s. 2	AMENDED
45	2009	S.L. 2009-539, s. 3	AMENDED
46	2010	S.L. 2010-31, s. 14.12(c)	AMENDED
47	2011	S.L. 2011-73, ss. 3, 4	AMENDED
48	2011	S.L. 2011-107, s. 1	AMENDED
49	2011	S.L. 2011-333, ss. 4, 5	AMENDED
50	2013	S.L. 2013-76, s. 1	AMENDED
51	2014	S.L. 2014-115, s. 28.2(a)	AMENDED
52	2014	S.L. 2014-120, s. 17(c)	AMENDED
53	2015	S.L. 2015-98, ss. 1(b), 1(d), 5(a), 8	AMENDED
54	2017	S.L. 2017-87, ss. 5(a), 7, 16(d)	AMENDED
55	2018	S.L. 2018-100, s. 4(b)	AMENDED
56	2019	S.L. 2019-49, s. 6	AMENDED

57	2019	S.L. 2019-182, ss. 1(a), 10, 19(b), 22	AMENDED
58	2021	S.L. 2021-117, s. 12(b)	AMENDED
59	2021	S.L. 2021-150, ss. 9.2(a), 19.1, 28.1	AMENDED
60	2022	S.L. 2022-44, ss. 3(o), 7	AMENDED
61	2022	S.L. 2022-49, s. 2(b)	AMENDED
62	2024	S.L. 2024-41, ss. 5(a), 14(a), 15(d), 16(a), 17(b)	AMENDED
63	2025	S.L. 2025-25, s. 29(3)	AMENDED
64	2025	S.L. 2025-65, s. 4(a)	AMENDED
65	2025	S.L. 2025-94, s. 5	AMENDED

APPARATUS II
18 AUTHORITIES

Authorities referenced

Every G.S. cross-reference appearing in the text of this section, in order of first appearance. Nothing is characterized; the operative language is quoted from the section itself.

REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 18B-1104(a)		"by subdivisions (7) and (8) of"
G.S. 18B-1105		"of a distillery permit authorized under"
G.S. 18B-1114.6		"distillation, and fermentation course authorization under"
G.S. 20-138.7		"24 fluid ounces. In accordance with"
G.S. 18B-1010		"not equipped with a trunk. Notwithstanding"
G.S. 18B-302(d)(1)		"form of photographic identification authorized in"
G.S. 18B-1114.4	(null)(4)	"of a viticulture/enology course authorization under"
G.S. 18B-1004(d)	(null)(4)	"any local ordinance adopted pursuant to"
G.S. 18B-1101(5)	(null)(4)	"under the same conditions specified in"
G.S. 18B-600(f)		"located in a county subject to"
G.S. 18B-101(13a)		"located in a county defined in"
G.S. 18B-1001(1), (3), (5), and (10)(null)(22)		"permittees holding permits issued pursuant to"
G.S. 18B-1115	(null)(22)	"to subsections (d) and (e) of"
G.S. 18B-503	(null)(22)	"and subject to inspection pursuant to"
G.S. 18B-101(12a)	(null)(23)	"beverages are served or sold. Notwithstanding"
G.S. 18B-1004(c)	(null)(23)	"2:30 A.M. and 7:00 A.M. Notwithstanding"

G.S. 20-4.01(27)	(null)(23)	"has the same meaning as in"
G.S. 14-202.10	(null)(25)	"live entertainment business as defined in"

APPARATUS III

Citation

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