

LIQUOR & TOBACCO ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

Direct Shipment of Alcohol Beverages to Consumers

Generally, the direct shipment of alcohol beverages to Colorado consumers is prohibited by Colorado law. Two exceptions exist:

Colorado-Licensed Retail Liquor Stores & Liquor –Licensed Drug Stores:

- If deliveries are made, the licensee is required to keep specific records of delivery that verify both the age and identity of the person placing the order and the person receiving the order. *See Regulation 47-426 for the types of business records that are required.*
- Only the licensee, or an ordering service acting as an agent of the licensee pursuant to a written agreement, may accept orders from the general public. Licensees must provide any agency agreements to the Liquor Enforcement Division.
- Delivery may only be made by the licensee, an employee of a licensee, or a delivery service acting as the licensee's agent pursuant to a written agreement. Licensees must provide any agency agreements to the Liquor Enforcement Division.
- Delivery may only be made to a person 21 years of age or older at the address specified in the order.
- No additional permits, other than the local state and local license, are required.
- Delivery and licensing privileges can be suspended or revoked by the state or local licensing authority for sale or delivery to persons under the age of 21 years, or failure to maintain adequate records.
- Retailers are responsible for a deliver agent's | common carrier's failure to adhere with these legal requirements.

Wine Manufacturers Located in the United States:

- A wine manufacturer within the United States is authorized to sell and ship wines of their manufactures to Colorado Residents, if they are granted a Winery Direct Shipper's Permit (§12-47-104, C.R.S.). This permit does not authorize a wine manufacturer to engage in the wholesale or retail sale of wines that they did not manufacture.

- Applications are available on this website and should be submitted to the Liquor Enforcement Division with a fee of \$50.00. This permit must be renewed annually with the \$50.00 fee to keep shipping privileges in force.
- The winery must verify that it is licensed at the federal and state level to manufacture wine.
- Once a permit is issued, the winery is obligated to file monthly state liquor excise tax returns for the remittance of the Colorado Liquor Excise tax on wine (.08 centers per liter). Once an account is established, preprinted forms will be mailed to the winery on a monthly basis.
- All packages delivered to Colorado residents must be clearly and conspicuously labeled: that the contents are wine products and that the package may only be delivered to persons who are 21 years of age or older.
- Packages containing wine may only be delivered to persons at least 21 years of age.
- Permits holders are responsible for a common carrier's failure to adhere with these legal requirements.

Note: Common carriers that make deliveries in Colorado on behalf of persons who do not hold a valid Colorado License or permit are subject to criminal prosecution.