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**Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Beer and Executive Order 17**

**Q: What does Governor's Executive Order No. 17 do in relation to alcoholic beverages and beer?**

A: The order allows restaurants and bars licensed by the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC) to make carryout sales and to deliver alcoholic beverages and low gravity beer (beer) as long as certain requirements are met.

**Q: Does the city, county or local beer board need to take any kind of action in order to allow restaurants and bars licensed by the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC) to make carryout sales and to deliver beer pursuant to this order?**

A: No, this activity by TABC licensed restaurants and bars is allowed by Executive Order 17 and no additional action by local governments is needed to make this order effective.

**Q: Does Executive Order 17 apply to restaurants or bars who have a beer permit but do not have a TABC license to sell alcoholic beverages?**

A: No, the Order does not apply to such beer only establishments; therefore, it has no affect on what they can and cannot do pursuant to their local beer permit.

**Q: Does Executive Order 17 apply to other beer permit holders such as off-premises beer permittees and breweries that do not have any of the TABC licenses listed above?**

A: No, the Governor's order does not apply to such other beer permittees - it only addresses activities of ABC licensed restaurants and bars.

**Q: Are there other ways in which beer can be delivered without the necessity of authorization by the Governor or by the city, county or local beer board?**

A: Yes, there are two ways in which beer can be delivered under current state law without additional authorization. A TABC licensed retail package store can generally deliver alcoholic beverages and beer. Also, a TABC licensed delivery service may generally pick up beer for delivery from any off-premises consumption permittee beer or package store. All other questions related to what a beer permit holder can or cannot do must be directed to your local beer board. Local and county governments, not the TABC, regulate beer permits.

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