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Frequently Asked Questions for Alcoholic Beverage Delivery to Consumers in Tennessee

Q. May a restaurant or bar deliver alcoholic beverages directly to consumers?

A: Yes, temporarily until April 14, pursuant to Executive Order. Full-service restaurants, limited-service restaurants, and wine-only restaurants may deliver alcoholic beverages directly to consumers pursuant to Executive Order 17, Executive Order 21, and Executive Order 22 relative to the COVID-19 pandemic. They may not deliver directly to consumers after April 14. Please see our website for restrictions and more information.

Q: May a retail package store deliver alcoholic beverages directly to consumers?

A: Yes, a retail package store may deliver wine, spirits, and beer to consumers at their residence or place of business. Package stores may offer delivery via their own employees or through a licensed delivery service. Package stores may also offer curbside pickup. Check with your retailer to see what options they offer.

Q: May a grocery store deliver wine directly to consumers?

A: Yes, a grocery store or convenience store holding a retail food store wine license may deliver wine directly to consumers via a licensed delivery service. Grocery and convenience stores may also offer curbside pickup. Check with your local store to ask what options they offer.

Q: May a winery ship wine directly to consumers?

A: Yes, a Tennessee or other out-of-state winery that holds a winery direct shipper license may ship wine directly to consumers in Tennessee. Wineries may ship a maximum of nine (9) liters of wine during any calendar month. Nine liters is equivalent to a typical twelve (12) bottle case of wine with seven hundred fifty (750) ml bottles. No individual consumer may receive, and no winery may ship, more than nine (9) liters per calendar month or more than twenty-seven (27) liters of wine to any individual in any calendar year. Not sure if you're ordering from a properly licensed winery direct shipper? You can find a list of Tennessee winery direct shipper licensees at this link. Although wineries may ship wine directly to you via FedEx, UPS, or other common carriers, they cannot deliver it directly to you. Your local winery may also offer curbside pickup of wine.

Q. May a distillery deliver or ship its products directly to consumers?

A: No. Consumers may visit their local Tennessee distillery to carry out alcoholic beverages directly from the distillery premises. Distilled spirits may not be delivered to consumers directly from the distillery. If you would like to have distilled spirits delivered to you, it must be purchased from a retail package store. Curbside pickup of alcoholic beverages from distilleries is prohibited. Shipment of distilled spirits is also prohibited.

Q: May a high gravity beer brewer deliver or ship beer directly to consumers?

A: No. The same carry out and delivery laws that apply to distilleries also apply to high gravity beer brewers. High gravity beer may not be delivered or shipped to consumers directly from the brewery. If you would like to have high gravity beer delivered to you, it must be purchased from a retail package store. Curbside pickup of high gravity beer from a high gravity beer brewer is prohibited. Shipment of high gravity beer is also prohibited.

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