



## Liquor Licenses

Bed and Breakfast businesses that sell or serve beer, wine and cider only to registered overnight guests, and have six or fewer guest units, do not need a liquor license in Oregon. If the Bed and Breakfast has more than six guest units or serve alcohol for events such as receptions, they must secure a Limited On-Premise Sales license.

An Off-Premise Sales license allows package sales of beer, wine and cider, a privilege that could be useful for a permanent produce stand or gift shop. The license includes a sample tasting privilege so customers may sample the product if you wish to offer sample tasting of beer, wine or cider.

For picnics, fairs, community events, concerts and festivals that do not emphasize alcohol consumption, a Temporary Sales license is required which allows sales of beer, wine and cider for on and off-Premise consumption and distilled spirits for on-premise consumption only. The license requires that food service be available and depending on the size of the event, liquor liability may be required.

Applicants for the Limited On-Premise Sales license can expect a about six to eight weeks from the day they submit a complete application to the date a license is issued, assuming there is no underlying basis to refuse the license. Applicants for the Off-Premise license may be issued a temporary license that is effective as soon as a complete application packet and license fee is submitted. A Temporary Sales license application must be submitted at least 10 days prior to the event.

A Winery license allows sales of beer, wine and cider for consumption on the licensed premises, as well as package sales of wine and cider. The Winery license is flexible enough to allow operation of a hospitality business, such as a Bed and Breakfast, at the winery.

A Growers Sales Privilege license allows the licensee to sell wine or cider made only from the licensee's fruit for on and off-premise consumption. This license also allows operation of a hospitality business at the licensed premises.

Individuals who serve or sell alcohol by the drink must have a Service Permit. The permit costs \$23 and is valid for 5 years. Applications for Service Permits must complete an approved Alcohol Server Education Program course (approximately \$25 fee for a six-hour course, given throughout Oregon).

Liquor laws are complex, but the basics apply to all liquor licenses:

- No sale to alcohol to minors under 21 years of age
- No sale of alcohol to a visibly intoxicated person
- Alcohol sales are restricted to the time between 7:00 am and 2:30 am



The licensee is responsible for compliance with the laws on the premises and all areas within control of the licensee. Business must be conducted in the manner that does not negatively impact neighbors. Please talk to your insurance agent if you intend to serve or sell alcohol as it may bring additional liability issues.

For more information on liquor laws, licenses and permits, contact the Oregon Liquor Control Commission at (800) 452-6522 or visit [www.olcc.state.or.us](http://www.olcc.state.or.us)