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THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (EXCERPTS)

ARTICLE XXI

§1 Repeal of 18th amendment.

Section 1.

The eighteenth article of amendment to the Constitution of the United States is hereby repealed.

§2 Transportation or importation of intoxicating liquors.

Section 2.

The transportation or importation into any State, Territory, or possession of the United States for delivery or use therein of intoxicating liquors, in violation of the laws thereof, is hereby prohibited.

Compiler's note: This amendment to the Constitution was proposed to the several states by the seventy-second congress on February 20, 1933, and was declared, in a proclamation by the secretary of state, dated December 5, 1933, to have been ratified by conventions in the states of Arizona, Alabama, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming-said states constituting three fourths of the whole number of states in the United states and certified as valid to all intents and purposes as a part of the Constitution of the United States.

CONSTITUTION OF MICHIGAN OF 1963 (EXCERPT)

PREAMBLE

We, the people of the State of Michigan, grateful to Almighty God for the blessings of freedom, and earnestly desiring to secure these blessings undiminished to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this constitution.

ARTICLE IV - LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

§40 Alcoholic beverages; age requirement; liquor control commission; excise tax; local option.

Sec. 40.

A person shall not sell or give any alcoholic beverage to any person who has not reached the age of 21 years. A person who has not reached the age of 21 years shall not possess any alcoholic beverage for the purpose of personal consumption. An alcoholic beverage is any beverage containing one-half of one percent or more alcohol by volume.

Except as prohibited by this section, (t)he legislature may by law establish a liquor control commission which, subject to statutory limitations, shall exercise complete control of the alcoholic beverage traffic within this state, including the retail sales thereof. The legislature may provide for an excise tax on such sales. Neither the legislature nor the commission may authorize the manufacture or sale of alcoholic beverages in any county in which a majority of the electors voting thereon shall prohibit the same.

History: Const. 1963, Art. IV, §40, Eff. Jan. 1, 1964; - Am. Initiated Law, approved Nov. 7, 1978, Eff. Dec. 28, 1978. **Former Constitution:** See Const. 1908, Art. XVI, §11.

MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL CODE OF 1998
Act 58 of 1998

AN ACT to create a commission for the control of the alcoholic beverage traffic within this state, and to prescribe its powers, duties, and limitations; to provide for powers and duties for certain state departments and agencies; to impose certain taxes for certain purposes; to provide for the control of the alcoholic liquor traffic within this state and to provide for the power to establish state liquor stores; to prohibit the use of certain devices for the dispensing of alcoholic vapor; to provide for the care and treatment of alcoholics; to provide for the incorporation of farmer cooperative wineries and the granting of certain rights and privileges to those cooperatives; to provide for the licensing and taxation of activities regulated under this act and the disposition of the money received under this act; to prescribe liability for retail licensees under certain circumstances and to require security for that liability; to provide procedures, defenses, and remedies regarding violations of this act; to provide for the enforcement and to prescribe penalties for violations of this act; to provide for allocation of certain funds for certain purposes; to provide for the confiscation and disposition of property seized under this act; to provide referenda under certain circumstances; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2005, Act 320, Imd. Eff. Dec. 27, 2005

CHAPTER 1

436.1101 Short title.

Sec. 101.

This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Michigan liquor control code of 1998”.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.1103 Meanings of words and phrases.

Sec. 103.

For the purposes of this act, the words and phrases defined in this chapter have the meanings ascribed to them in this chapter, unless the context requires otherwise.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.1105 Definitions; A, B; "supplier" defined; distribution rights.

Sec. 105.

(1) "Alcohol" means the product of distillation of fermented liquid, whether or not rectified or diluted with water, but does not mean ethyl or industrial alcohol, diluted or not, that has been denatured or otherwise rendered unfit for beverage purposes.
(2) "Alcohol vapor device" means any device that provides for the use of air or oxygen bubbled through alcoholic liquor to produce a vapor or mist that allows the user to inhale this alcoholic vapor through the mouth or nose.
(3) “Alcoholic liquor” means any spirituous, vinous, malt, or fermented liquor, powder, liquids, and compounds, whether or not medicated, proprietary, patented, and by whatever name called, containing 1/2 of 1% or more of alcohol by volume that are fit for use for food purposes or beverage purposes as defined and classified by the commission according to alcoholic content as belonging to 1 of the varieties defined in this chapter.
(4) “Alternating proprietorship” means 1 of the following:
    (a) An arrangement in which 2 or more wine makers or small wine makers take turns using the same space and equipment to manufacture wine pursuant to section 603 (9) (a) and in accordance with 27 CFR 24.136.
    (b) An arrangement in which 2 or more brewers or micro brewers take turns using the same space and equipment to manufacture beer under section 603 (9) (b) and in accordance with 27 CFR 25.52.

(c) An arrangement in which 2 or more distillers or small distillers take turns using the same space and equipment to manufacture spirits under section 603(9)(c) and in accordance with 27 CFR 19.141.

(d) An arrangement in which 2 or more mixed spirit drink manufacturers take turns using the same space and equipment to manufacture mixed spirit drink under section 603(9)(d) and in accordance with 27 CFR 19.141.

(5) “Approved tasting room” means a tasting room that is approved by the commission. A licensee with an approved tasting room is not a retail licensee as that term is used in this act and the rules promulgated under this act except for section 701, 801, 803, 815, 905, and 906.

(6) "Authorized distribution agent" means a person approved by the commission to do 1 or more of the following:

(a) To store spirits owned by a supplier of spirits or the commission.

(b) To deliver spirits sold by the commission to retail licensees.

(c) To perform any function needed to store spirits owned by a supplier of spirits or by the commission or to deliver spirits sold by the commission to retail licensees.

(7) "Bar" means a barrier or counter at which alcoholic liquor is sold to, served to, or consumed by customers.

(8) "Beer" means either of the following:

(a) A beverage obtained by alcoholic fermentation of an infusion or decoction of barley, malt, hops, sugar, or other cereal in potable water that contains at least 0.5% of alcohol by volume.

(b) A beverage obtained by alcoholic fermentation of an infusion or decoction of barley, malt, hops, or other cereal in potable water that contains less than 0.5% of alcohol by volume, including a beverage that contains 0.0% of alcohol by volume.

(9) “Bottle” or “bottling” means a process, separate from manufacturing, using owned or leased equipment to fill and seal a container, including a keg, with alcoholic liquor for sale at wholesale or retail in accordance with this act. Bottle or bottling does not include filling a growler for sale at retail.

(10) "Brand" means any word, group of words, letter, group of letters, symbol, group of symbols, or combination of any word, name, group of letters, symbol, or trademark adopted and used by a supplier, to name, identify, or trademark a specific beer, malt beverage, wine, mixed wine drink, or mixed spirit drink product. A supplier's legal name, assumed name, or trade name, or any doing-business-as name used by the supplier is considered a brand name, identifier, or trademark if it is used in a manner that is prominently featured on the container or packaging of the beer, wine, mixed wine drink, or mixed spirit drink to market the product and to identify the product, except under either of the following circumstances:

(a) The use of the legal name, assumed name, trade name, or doing-business-as name is not considered a brand name, identifier, or trademark if it is not prominently featured on the container or packaging of the beer, wine, mixed wine drink, or mixed spirit drink.

(b) The use of the legal name, assumed name, trade name, or doing-business-as name is not considered a brand name, identifier, or trademark if it is used solely for any of the following purposes:

(i) Identifying the supplier that manufactured the beer, wine, mixed wine drink, or mixed spirit drink.

(ii) Identifying the supplier that has bottled the beer, wine, mixed wine drink, or mixed spirit drink.

(iii) Identifying the supplier that has imported the beer, wine, mixed wine drink, or mixed spirit drink.

(11) "Brand extension" means any beer, wine, mixed wine drink, or mixed spirit drink brand that is marketed, in any manner, using the same name, identifier, or trademark associated with a brand that has preceded it in being sold or offered for sale in this state, or a derivative or portion of the name, identifier, or trademark, and that would lead a reasonable person to recognize its relationship to an existing brand, regardless of any of the following:

(a) The addition of words or letters in a word.

(b) The addition of a name, identifier, or trademark.

(c) The addition of a symbol.

(d) Any differences in the packaging, formulation, or production of the beer, wine, mixed wine drink, or mixed spirit drink or the shape, size, or type of container in which the beer, wine, mixed wine drink, or mixed spirit drink is sold.

(e) Changes in the alcohol category used in the brand extension. As used in this subdivision only, "alcohol category" means a beer category, a wine category, a mixed wine drink category, or a mixed spirit drink category.

(f) The manufacturer, importer, or licensed outstate seller of the brand extension being different from the manufacturer, importer, or licensed outstate seller of the underlying brand the extension is based on.

(12)"Brandy" means an alcoholic liquor as defined in 27 CFR 5.145.

(13)“Brandy manufacturer” means a wine maker or a small wine maker licensed under this act to manufacture brandy. A wine maker or small wine maker authorized to manufacture brandy shall not manufacture any other spirits. The commission may approve a brandy manufacturer to sell brandy that it manufactures at retail in accordance with section 537.

(14)"Brewer" means a person located in this state that is licensed to manufacture beer and sell at retail in accordance with section 537 and to licensed wholesalers beer manufactured by the person.

(15)"Brewpub" means a license issued in conjunction with a class C, tavern, class A hotel, or class B hotel license that authorizes the person licensed with the class C, tavern, class A hotel, or class B hotel to manufacture and brew not more than 18,000 barrels of beer per calendar year in this state and sell at its licensed premises the beer produced for consumption on or off the licensed brewery premises in the manner provided for in sections 405, 407, and 537.

(16)As used in subsection (10), "supplier" means a brewer, a micro brewer, an outstate seller of beer, a wine maker, a small wine maker, an outstate seller of wine, a manufacturer of a mixed wine drink, an outstate seller of a mixed wine drink, a mixed spirit drink manufacturer, and an outstate seller of a mixed spirit drink.

(17)With regard to subsections (10) and (11), distribution rights in effect on the effective date of the amendatory act that added this subsection are preserved. However, this subsection does not limit application of subsection (11) to a beer, wine, mixed wine drink, or mixed spirit drink that would be considered a brand extension after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this subsection that is based on a brand that was in existence before the effective date of the amendatory act that added this subsection.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2005, Act 320, Imd. Eff. Dec. 27, 2005; Am. 2014, Act 353, Imd. Eff. Oct. 17, 2014; --Am. 2018, Act 414, Imd. Eff. Dec. 19, 2018; --Am. 2021 Act 19, Imd. Eff. Aug. 23, 2021; --Am. 2022, Act 226, Imd Eff. Oct. 14, 2022; --Am. 2025, Act 9, Eff. Mar. 24, 2026; --Am. 2025, Act 66, Imd Eff. Dec. 23, 2025.

436.1107 Definitions; C to L

Sec. 107.

(1) “Cash” means money in hand, bank notes, demand deposits at a bank, or legal tender, that a creditor must accept according to law. Cash does not include call loans, postdated checks, or promissory notes.

(2) “Class C license” means a place licensed to sell at retail beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits for consumption on the premises.

(3) “Class G-1 license” means a place licensed to sell at retail beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits for consumption on the premises at a golf course having at least 18 holes that measure at least 5,000 yards and which license is issued only to a facility that permits member access by means of payments that include annual paid membership fees.

(4) “Class G-2 license” means a place licensed to sell at retail beer, wine, and mixed spirit drink for consumption on the premises at a golf course having at least 18 holes that measure at least 5,000 yards and which license is issued only to a facility that permits member access by means of payments that include annual paid membership fees.

(5) “Club” means a nonprofit association, whether incorporated or unincorporated, organized for the promotion of some common purpose, the object of which is owning, hiring, or leasing a building, or space in a building, of an extent and character as in the judgment of the commission may be suitable and adequate for the reasonable and comfortable use and accommodation of its members and their guests, but does not include an association organized for a commercial or business purpose.

(6) “Commission” means the liquor control commission created in section 209.

(7) “Church” means an entire house or structure set apart primarily for use for purposes of public worship, and which is tax exempt under the laws of this state, and in which religious services are held and with which a clergyman is associated, and the entire structure of which is kept for that use and not put to any other use inconsistent with that use.

(8) “Distiller” means a person licensed to manufacture and sell spirits or alcohol, or both, of any kind.

(9) “Hotel” means a building or group of buildings located on the same or adjoining pieces of real property, that provide lodging to travelers and temporary residents and that may also provide food service and other goods and services to registered guests and to the public.

(10)“Class A hotel” means a hotel licensed by the commission to sell beer, wine, and mixed spirit drink for consumption on the premises only, that provides for the rental of, and maintains the availability for rental of, not less than 25 bedrooms if located in a local governmental unit with a population of less than 175,000 or not less than 50 bedrooms if located in a local governmental unit with a population of 175,000 or more.

(11)“Class B hotel” means a hotel licensed by the commission to sell beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits for consumption on the premises only, that provides for the rental of, and maintains the availability for rental of, not less than 25 bedrooms if located in a local governmental unit with a population of less than 175,000 or not less than 50 bedrooms if located in a local governmental unit with a population of 175,000 or more.

(12)“Financial records” means any document or summary of information contained in a document, including electronic documents, that contains information about the financial activities or position of a person including, but not limited to, information about the assets, balance sheets, budgets, cash flow, earnings, revenue, expenditures, income, investments, losses, liabilities, payroll, profits, retained earnings, or taxes.

(13)“License” means a contract between the commission and the licensee granting authority to that licensee to manufacture and sell, sell, or warehouse alcoholic liquor in the manner provided by this act.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2001, Act 223, Eff. Mar. 22, 2002; --Am. 2019, Act 126, Imd Eff. Nov. 21, 2019; --Am. 2021 Act 19, Imd. Eff. Aug. 23, 2021

436.1109 Definitions; M to O.

Sec. 109.

(1) “Manufacture” means to distill, rectify, ferment, brew, make, produce, filter, mix, concoct, process, or blend an alcoholic liquor or to complete a portion of 1 or more of these activities. Manufacture does not include bottling or the mixing or other preparation of drinks for serving by those persons authorized under this act to serve alcoholic liquor for consumption on the licensed premises. In addition, manufacture does not include attaching a label to a shiner. All containers or packages of alcoholic liquor must state clearly the name, city, and state of the bottler.

(2) "Manufacturer" means, except as provided in section 603, a person that manufactures alcoholic liquor, whether located in or out of the state, including, but not limited to, a distiller, a small distiller, a rectifier, a mixed spirit drink manufacturer, a mixed wine drink manufacturer, a wine maker, a small wine maker, a brewer, and a micro brewer.

(3) “Manufacturing premises” means the licensed premises of a manufacturer where the manufacturer manufactures alcoholic liquor or, for a small wine maker only, bottles wine.

(4) "Master distributor" means, except as provided in section 307, a wholesaler that acts in the same or similar capacity as a brewer, wine maker, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, outstate seller of wine, outstate seller of beer, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink for a brand or brands of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to other wholesalers on a regular basis in the normal course of business.

(5) "Micro brewer" means a brewer that manufactures in total less than 60,000 barrels of beer per year and that may sell the beer manufactured to consumers at the licensed brewery premises for consumption on or off the licensed brewery premises and to retailers as provided in section 203a. In determining the 60,000-barrel threshold, all brands and labels of a brewer, whether manufactured in this state or outside this state, must be combined and all facilities for the manufacturing of beer that are owned or controlled by the same person must be treated as a single facility.

(6) "Minor" means an individual less than 21 years of age.

(7) "Mixed spirit drink" means a drink manufactured and packaged or sold by a mixed spirit drink manufacturer or sold by an outstate seller of mixed spirit drink to a wholesaler that meets either of the following:

   (a) Contains 10% or less alcohol by volume consisting of spirits mixed with nonalcoholic beverages or flavoring or coloring materials and that may also contain 1 or more of the following:
      (i) Water.
      (ii) Fruit juices.
      (iii) Fruit adjuncts.
      (iv) Sugar.
      (v) Carbon dioxide.
      (vi) Preservatives.
   (b) Meets both of the following conditions:

(i) Contains more than 10% and not more than 13.5% alcohol by volume consisting of spirits mixed with nonalcoholic beverage and flavorings or coloring materials and that may also contain 1 or more of the ingredients listed in subdivision (a).
(ii) Is filled in a metal container that meets all of the following conditions:
(A) The container has the general shape and design of a can that has a liquid capacity that does not exceed 24 ounces.
(B) The container has a closure that is an integral part of the container.
(C) The container cannot be readily closed after opening.

(8) "Mixed spirit drink manufacturer" means a person licensed under this act to manufacture mixed spirit drink in this state and to sell mixed spirit drink at retail in accordance with section 537 or to a wholesaler, or to a retailer as provided in section 203b. For purposes of rules promulgated by the commission, a mixed spirit drink manufacturer shall be treated as a wine manufacturer but is subject to the rules applicable to spirits for manufacturing and labeling.

(9) "Mixed wine drink" means a drink or similar product marketed as a wine cooler that contains less than 7% alcohol by volume, consists of wine and plain, sparkling, or carbonated water, and contains any 1 or more of the following:
(a) Nonalcoholic beverages.
(b) Flavoring.
(c) Coloring materials.
(d) Fruit juices.
(e) Fruit adjuncts.
(f) Sugar.
(g) Carbon dioxide.
(h) Preservatives.

(10) "Outstate seller of beer" means a person licensed by the commission to sell beer that has not been manufactured in this state, or beer that the person purchased from a limited production manufacturer, to a wholesaler in this state in accordance with rules promulgated by the commission. As used in this subsection, “limited production manufacturer” means a person licensed under section 204.

(11) “Outstate self-distributor” means a person located in another state that is the substantial equivalent of a micro brewer, small distiller, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, or small wine maker licensed by the commission to sell alcoholic liquor that the person manufactured outside this state directly to a retailer under sections 203(20), 203a, and 203b in accordance with rules promulgated by the commission. An applicant for an outstate self-distributor license must submit a copy of its federal basic permit or brewer's notice and its manufacturing license from the state of issuance.

(12) "Outstate seller of mixed spirit drink" means a person licensed by the commission to sell mixed spirit drink that has not been manufactured in this state to a wholesaler in this state in accordance with rules promulgated by the commission. For purposes of rules promulgated by the commission, an outstate seller of mixed spirit drink is treated as an outstate seller of wine but is subject to the rules applicable to spirits for manufacturing and labeling.

(13) "Outstate seller of wine" means a person licensed by the commission to sell wine that has not been manufactured in this state to a wholesaler in this state in accordance with rules promulgated by the commission and to sell sacramental wine as provided in section 301.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2010, Act 213, Imd. Eff. Nov. 17, 2010; -- Am. 2014, Act 42, Imd. Eff. Mar. 25, 2014; --Am. 2018, Act 409, Imd. Eff. Dec.19, 2018; -- Am. 2020, Act 80, Imd. Eff. Apr. 2, 2020; -- Am. 2020, Act 120, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020; --Am. 2021 Act 19, Imd. Eff. Aug. 23, 2021

Constitutionality: In Granholm v Heald, 544 US 460 (2005), the United States Supreme Court held that Michigan laws regulating direct shipment of alcohol to in-state consumers discriminated against interstate commerce in violation of clause 3 of section 8 of article 1 of the United States Constitution, and that the powers granted to states under the 21st Amendment to the United States Constitution do not authorize violation of other constitutional provisions.

436.1111 Definitions; P to S.

Sec. 111.

(1) "Person" means an individual, firm, partnership, limited partnership, association, limited liability company, or corporation.

(2) "Primary source of supply" means, for domestic spirits, the distiller, producer, owner of the commodity at the time it becomes a marketable product, or bottler, or the exclusive agent of the distiller, producer, owner of the commodity at the time it becomes a marketable product, or bottler and, for spirits imported into the United States, either the foreign distiller, producer, owner, or bottler, or the prime importer for, or the exclusive agent in the United States of, the foreign distiller, producer, owner, or bottler.

(3) "Professional account" means an account established for a person by a class C licensee or tavern licensee whose major business is the sale of food, by which the licensee extends credit to the person for not more than 30 days.
(4) "Residence" means the premises in which a person resides permanently.
(5) “Restaurant” means a food service establishment defined and licensed under the food law, 2000 PA 92, MCL 289.1101 to 289.8111. A restaurant that does not hold a license issued by the commission under this act shall not manufacture, market, deliver, or sell alcoholic liquor in this state
(6) “Retailer” means a person licensed by the commission that sells to the consumer in accordance with rules promulgated by the commission. Retailer includes a brewpub but does not include a manufacturer or supplier, as defined in section 603, that is allowed as a condition of its license to sell to consumers in this state.
(7) "Sacramental wine" means wine containing not more than 24% of alcohol by volume that is used for sacramental purposes.
(8) "Sale" includes the exchange, barter, traffic, furnishing, delivery, or giving away of alcoholic liquor. For a sale in which a shipment or delivery of alcoholic liquor is made by a common or other carrier, the sale of the alcoholic liquor is considered to be made in the county within which the delivery of the alcoholic liquor is made by that carrier to the consignee or his or her agent or employee, and venue for the prosecution for that sale may be in the county or city where the seller resides or from which the shipment is made or at the place of delivery.
(9) "School" includes buildings used for school purposes to provide instruction to children in grades kindergarten through 12, if that instruction is provided by a public, private, denominational, or parochial school, except those buildings used primarily for adult education or college extension courses. School does not include a proprietary trade or occupational school.
(10) “Shiner” means an unlabeled sealed container of wine, including a keg, that is sold by a wine maker, small wine maker, or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a wine maker or small wine maker to another wine maker, small wine maker, or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a wine maker or small wine maker. The purchasing wine maker or small wine maker must attach a label to the container using equipment owned or leased by the purchasing wine maker or small wine maker, register the wine label with the commission, and sell it as provided for in this act.
(11) "Small distiller" means a manufacturer of spirits annually manufacturing in this state not more than 60,000 gallons of spirits, of all brands combined.
(12) "Small wine maker" means a wine maker manufacturing or bottling not more than 50,000 gallons of wine in 1 calendar year. A small wine maker is not required to bottle wine it manufactures.
(13) "Special license" means a contract between the commission and the special licensee granting authority to that licensee to sell beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or spirits. The license must be granted only to the persons and the organization and for the period of time that the commission determines if the person or organization is able to demonstrate an existence separate from an affiliated umbrella organization. If such an existence is demonstrated, the commission shall not deny a special license solely by the applicant's affiliation with an organization that is also eligible for a special license.
(14) "Specially designated distributor" means, subject to section 534, a person engaged in an established business licensed by the commission to distribute spirits in the original package for the commission for consumption off the premises.
(15) "Specially designated merchant" means a person to whom the commission grants a license to sell beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink at retail for consumption off the licensed premises.
(16) "Spirits" means a beverage that contains alcohol obtained by distillation, mixed with potable water or other substances, or both, in solution, and includes wine containing an alcoholic content of more than 21% by volume, except sacramental wine and mixed spirit drink.
(17) "State liquor store" means a store established by the commission under this act for the sale of spirits in the original package for consumption off the premises.
(18) “Successor to a supplier that continues business” means a supplier that acquires a brand or brands from another supplier and remains in business after it acquires that brand or brands. As used in this subsection, “supplier” means any of the following:
    (a) Brewer.
    (b) Outstate seller of beer.
    (c) Master distributor.
    (d) Wine maker.
    (e) Outstate seller of wine.

(19) "Supplier of spirits" means a vendor of spirits, a manufacturer of spirits, or a primary source of supply.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2008, Act 218, Imd. Eff. July 16, 2008; Am. 2010, Act 213, Eff. November 17, 2010; --Am. 2018, Act 415; Imd. Eff. Dec. 19, 2018; --Am. 2020, Act 115, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020; --Am. 2021 Act 19, Imd. Eff. Aug. 23, 2021

436.1113 Definitions; T to W.

Sec. 113.

(1) "Tasting room" means any of the following locations:
   (a) A location on the manufacturing premises of a brewer or micro brewer where the brewer or micro brewer may provide samples of or sell at retail for consumption on or off the premises, or both, beer it manufactures.
   (b) A location on or off the manufacturing premises of a wine maker or small wine maker where the wine maker or small wine maker may provide samples of or sell at retail for consumption on or off the premises, or both, shiners, wine it manufactured, or, for a small wine maker only, wine it bottled.
   (c) A location on or off the manufacturing premises of a distiller or small distiller where the distiller or small distiller may provide samples of or sell at retail for consumption on or off the premises, or both, spirits it manufactured.
   (d) A location on the manufacturing premises of a mixed spirit drink manufacturer where the mixed spirit drink manufacturer may provide samples of or sell at retail for consumption on or off the premises, or both, mixed spirit drinks it manufactured.
   (e) A location on or off the manufacturing premises of a brandy manufacturer where the brandy manufacturer may provide samples of or sell at retail for consumption on or off the premises, or both, brandy it manufactured.

(2) "Tavern" means any place licensed to sell at retail beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink for consumption on the premises only.

(3) "Vehicle" means any means of transportation by land, by water, or by air.

(4) "Vendor" means a person licensed by the commission to sell alcoholic liquor.

(5) "Vendor of spirits" means a person selling spirits to the commission.

(6) "Warehouse" means a premises or place primarily constructed, used, or provided with facilities for the storage in transit or other temporary storage of perishable goods or for the conduct of a warehousing business, or for both.

(7) "Warehouser" means a licensee authorized by the commission to store alcoholic liquor, but prohibited from making sales or deliveries to retailers unless the licensee is also the holder of a wholesaler or manufacturer license issued by the commission.

(8) "Wholesaler" means a person that is licensed by the commission and sells beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink only to retailers or other licensees, and that sells sacramental wine as provided in section 301. A wholesaler includes a person that may also act as a master distributor unless prohibited from doing so by its supplier or manufacturer in a written agreement required by either section 305(3)(i) or 403(3)(i) and, by mutual agreement with an outstate seller of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink can be authorized by the outstate seller of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to do, in the manner provided by the commission, either or both of the following:
   (a) Register with this state the labels of the outstate seller of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink.
   (b) On behalf of the outstate seller of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink, collect excise taxes levied by this state and remit the taxes to the commission.

(9) "Wine" means a product manufactured by the normal alcoholic fermentation of the juice of sound, ripe grapes, or any other fruit with the usual cellar treatment, and containing not more than 21% of alcohol by volume, including cider made from apples or pears, or both, that contains at least ½ of 1% of alcohol by volume, or mead, or honey wine made from honey, fermented fruit juices other than grapes, and mixed wine drinks.

(10) "Wine maker" means a person licensed by the commission to manufacture wine and to sell that wine to a wholesaler, to a consumer by direct shipment, at retail on the licensed winery premises, to sell that wine to a retailer, and as provided for in section 537.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2005, Act 269, Imd. Eff. Dec. 16, 2005; Am. 2010, Act 213, Eff. November 17, 2010; --Am. 2018, Act 405, Imd. Eff., Dec. 19, 2018; --Am. 2021 Act 19, Imd. Eff. Aug. 23, 2021

Constitutionality: In Granholm v Heald, 544 US 460 (2005), the United States Supreme Court held that Michigan laws regulating direct shipment of alcohol to in-state consumers discriminated against interstate commerce in violation of clause 3 of section 8 of article 1 of the United States Constitution, and that the powers granted to states under the 21st Amendment to the United States Constitution do not authorize violation of other constitutional provisions.

Compiler's Notes: Enacting sections 2 and 3 of Act 269 of 2005 provide: "Enacting section 2. (1) If any provision of section 113 of the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1113, as amended by this amendatory act, is held to be unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction and the allowable time for filing an appeal

436.1113a Definitions; T to W.

Sec. 113a.

(1) "Tasting room" means any of the following locations:
   (a) A location on the manufacturing premises of a brewer or micro brewer where the brewer or micro brewer may provide samples of or sell at retail for consumption on or off the premises, or both, beer it manufactures.
   (b) A location on or off the manufacturing premises of a wine maker or small wine maker where the wine maker or small wine maker may provide samples of or sell at retail for consumption on or off the premises, or both, shiners, wine it manufactured, or, for a small wine maker only, wine it bottled.
   (c) A location on or off the manufacturing premises of a distiller or small distiller where the distiller or small distiller may provide samples of or sell at retail for consumption on or off the premises, or both, spirits it manufactured.
   (d) A location on the manufacturing premises of a mixed spirit drink manufacturer where the mixed spirit drink manufacturer may provide samples of or sell at retail for consumption on or off the premises, or both, mixed spirit drinks it manufactured.
   (e) A location on or off the manufacturing premises of a brandy manufacturer where the brandy manufacturer may provide samples of or sell at retail for consumption on or off the premises, or both, brandy it manufactured.

(2) “Tavern" means any place licensed to sell at retail beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink for consumption on the premises only.

(3) "Vehicle" means any means of transportation by land, by water, or by air.

(4) "Vendor" means a person licensed by the commission to sell alcoholic liquor.

(5) "Vendor of spirits" means a person selling spirits to the commission.

(6) "Warehouse" means a premises or place primarily constructed, used, or provided with facilities for the storage in transit or other temporary storage of perishable goods or for the conduct of a warehousing business, or for both.

(7) "Warehouser" means a licensee authorized by the commission to store alcoholic liquor, but prohibited from making sales or deliveries to retailers unless the licensee is also the holder of a wholesaler or manufacturer license issued by the commission.

(8) “Wholesaler” means a person that is licensed by the commission and sells beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink only to retailers or other licensees, and that sells sacramental wine as provided in section 301. A wholesaler includes a person who may also act as a master distributor unless prohibited from doing so by its supplier or manufacturer in a written agreement required by either section 305(3)(i) or 403(3)(i) and, by mutual agreement with an outstate seller of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink, can be authorized by the outstate seller of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to do, in the manner prescribed by the commission, either or both of the following:
   (a) Register with this state the labels of the outstate seller of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink.
   (b) On behalf of the outstate seller of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink, collect excise taxes levied by this state and remit the taxes to the commission.

(9) "Wine" means a product manufactured by the normal alcoholic fermentation of the juice of sound, ripe grapes, or any other fruit with the usual cellar treatment, and containing not more than 21% of alcohol by volume, including cider made from apples or pears, or both, that contains at least 1/2 of 1% of alcohol by volume, or mead or honey wine made from honey, fermented fruit juices other than grapes, and mixed wine drinks.

(10) "Wine maker" means any person licensed by the commission to manufacture wine, to sell that wine to a wholesaler, to sell that wine by direct shipment to a consumer, at retail on the licensed winery premises, and as provided for in section 537 but not to sell wine to a retailer.

History: Add. 2005, Act 269, Eff. (pending); Am. 2010, Act 213, Eff. November 17, 2010; --Am. 2018, Act 416, Imd. Eff. Dec. 19, 2018; --Am. 2021 Act 19, Imd. Eff. Aug. 23, 2021

Compiler's Notes: Enacting sections 2 and 3 of Act 269 of 2005 provide: “Enacting section 2. (1) If any provision of section 113 of the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1113, as amended by this amendatory act, is held to be unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction and the allowable time for filing an appeal has expired or the appellant has exhausted all of his or her avenues of appeal, section 113 of the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1113, is repealed."(2) Section 113a of the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, as added by this amendatory act, shall not take effect unless section 113 of the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1113, is held unconstitutional or repealed pursuant to subsection (1)."Enacting section 3. If an appellate court declares this amendatory act unconstitutional, then it is the intent of the legislature that a good faith effort be made to amend section 305 of the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1305, to make it less burdensome for a small winery to terminate an agreement with a wholesaler."

436.1201 Alcoholic liquor; manufacture, sale, possession, or transportation lawful; terms, conditions, limitations, and restrictions; right, power, and duty of commission to control alcoholic beverage traffic and traffic in other alcoholic liquor; unreasonable discrimination against Michigan manufacturers prohibited; enforcement of act and rules; willful neglect or refusal of officer to perform duties as misdemeanor; penalty.

Sec. 201.

(1) On and after December 15, 1933, it shall be lawful to manufacture for sale, sell, offer for sale, keep for sale, possess, or transport any alcoholic liquor, as defined in this act, including alcoholic liquor used for medicinal, mechanical, chemical, or scientific purposes and wine used for sacramental purposes, subject to the terms, conditions, limitations, and restrictions contained in this act, and only as provided for in this act.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in this act, the commission shall have the sole right, power, and duty to control the alcoholic beverage traffic and traffic in other alcoholic liquor within this state, including the manufacture, importation, possession, transportation and sale thereof.

(3) A rule, regulation, or order made by the commission shall not unreasonably discriminate against Michigan manufacturers of alcoholic liquor.

(4) A peace officer or law enforcement officer of this state or a county, township, city, village, state university, or community college or an inspector of the commission is authorized, and it is the duty of each of them, to enforce the provisions of this act and the rules promulgated by the commission within his or her respective jurisdiction. It is the special duty of an officer described in this section to use his or her utmost efforts to repress and prevent crime and the violation of any of the provisions of this act. An officer described in this section who willfully neglects or refuses to perform the duties imposed upon him or her by this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not more than $500.00 or imprisoned in the county jail not more than 90 days, or both.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1203 Sale, delivery, or importation of alcoholic liquor or wine; duties of direct shipper of wine; common carrier; verification that individual accepting delivery is 21 year of age or older; original purchase and importation into state of spirits for sale, use, storage, or distribution; requirements; exceptions; direct shipper license required; application; fee; violation; delivery of beer and wine to home or designated location of consumer; holder of specially designated merchant license; delivery or sale of beer, wine, or spirits by third party facilitator; sale or delivery or beer by micro brewer to retailer; reports; retention of books, records, and documents; disclosure; definitions.

Sec. 203.

(1) Except as provided in this section and section 301, a person shall not sell, deliver, or import alcoholic liquor, including alcoholic liquor for personal use, in this state unless the sale, delivery, or importation is made by the commission, the commission's authorized agent or distributor, an authorized distribution agent approved by order of the commission, a person licensed by the commission, or by prior written order of the commission.

(2) Notwithstanding R 436.1011(7)(b) and R 436.1527 of the Michigan Administrative Code and except as provided in subsections (3), (12), (13), (14), (15), and (16), a retailer shall not deliver alcoholic liquor to a consumer in this state at the home or business of the consumer or at any location away from the licensed premises of the retailer. The purpose of this subsection is to exercise this state's authority under section 2 of Amendment XXI of the Constitution of the United States, to maintain the inherent police powers to regulate the transportation and delivery of alcoholic liquor, and to promote a transparent system for the transportation and delivery of alcoholic liquor. The regulation described in this subsection is considered necessary for both of the following reasons:

(a) To promote the public health, safety, and welfare.
(b) To maintain strong, stable, and effective regulation by having beer and wine sold by retailers to consumers in this state by passing through the 3-tier distribution system established under this act.

(3) For purposes of subsection (1), a qualified retailer that holds a specially designated merchant license located in this state may use a common carrier to deliver beer, wine, and mixed spirit drink to a consumer in this state. A qualified retailer that holds a specially designated distributor license located in this state may use a common carrier to deliver spirits to a consumer in this state. A qualified retailer that uses a common carrier to deliver beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or spirits to a consumer under this subsection shall comply with all of the following:
(a) Pay any applicable taxes to the commission and pay any applicable taxes to the department of treasury as directed by the department of treasury. On the request of the department of treasury, a qualified retailer shall furnish an affidavit to verify payment.
(b) Comply with all laws of this state, including, but not limited to, the prohibition on sales to minors.
(c) Verify the age of the individual placing the order by obtaining from him or her a copy of a photo identification issued by this state, another state, or the federal government or by using an identification verification service. The person receiving and accepting the order on behalf of the qualified retailer shall record the name, address, date of birth, and telephone number of the individual placing the order on the order form or other verifiable record of a type and generated in a manner approved by the commission and provide a duplicate to the commission.
(d) On request of the commission, make available to the commission any document used to verify the age of the individual ordering or receiving the beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or spirits from the qualified retailer.
(e) Stamp, print, or label on the outside of the shipping container that the package “Contains Alcohol. Must be delivered to a person 21 years of age or older”. The recipient at the time of the delivery shall provide identification verifying his or her age and sign for the delivery.
(f) Place a label on the top panel of the shipping container containing the name and address of the individual placing the order.
(g) For a qualified retailer that has been issued licenses at 2 or more locations, the shipment of the beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or spirits must be fulfilled from the location nearest to the consumer unless that location does not have the beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or spirits ordered in stock.

(4) For purposes of subsection (1), a direct shipper may sell, deliver, or import wine to consumers in this state by means of any mail order, internet, telephone, computer, device, or other electronic means, or sell directly to a consumer on the winery premises. A direct shipper that sells, delivers, or imports wine to a consumer under this subsection shall comply with all of the following:
(a) Hold a direct shipper license.
(b) Pay any applicable taxes to the commission and pay any applicable taxes to the department of treasury as directed by the department of treasury. On the request of the department of treasury, a direct shipper shall furnish an affidavit to verify payment.
(c) Comply with all the laws of this state, including, but not limited to, the prohibition on sales to minors.
(d) Verify the age of the individual placing the order by obtaining from him or her a copy of a photo identification issued by this state, another state, or the federal government or by using an identification verification service. The person receiving and accepting the order on behalf of the direct shipper shall record the name, address, date of birth, and telephone number of the individual placing the order on the order form or other verifiable record of a type and generated in a manner approved by the commission and provide a duplicate to the commission.
(e) On request of the commission, make available to the commission any document used to verify the age of the individual ordering or receiving the wine from the direct shipper.
(f) Stamp, print, or label on the outside of the shipping container that the package "Contains Alcohol. Must be delivered to a person 21 years of age or older." The recipient at the time of the delivery shall provide photo identification verifying his or her age and sign for the delivery.
(g) Place a label on the top panel of the shipping container containing the name and address of the individual placing the order and the name of the designated recipient if different from the name of the individual placing the order. The direct shipper must have received a registration number of approval from the commission for any wine imported into this state. However, the registration number of approval is not required to be on the invoice or on the label of the wine that the direct shipper sells, delivers, or imports to a consumer in this state.

(h) Direct ship not more than 1,500 9-liter cases, or 13,500 liters in total, of wine in a calendar year to consumers in this state. If a direct shipper, whether located in this state or outside this state, owns, in whole or in part, or commonly manages 1 or more direct shippers, it shall not in combination ship to consumers in this state more than 13,500 liters of wine in the aggregate.

(i) Pay wine taxes quarterly and report to the commission quarterly the total amount of wine, by type, brand, and price, shipped to consumers in this state during the preceding calendar quarter, and the order numbers.

(j) Authorize and allow the commission and the department of treasury to conduct an audit of the direct shipper's records.

(k) Consent and submit to the jurisdiction of the commission, the department of treasury, and the courts of this state concerning enforcement of this section and any related laws, rules, and regulations.

(l) For a direct shipper that is a wine manufacturer as described in subsection (10)(b), direct ship only the wine that the wine manufacturer has manufactured and registered with the commission, wine purchased from another wine manufacturer and further manufactured or bottled and registered with the commission, or labeled shiners purchased from another manufacturer in compliance with section 204a and registered with the commission.

(5) For a delivery of beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or spirits through the use of a common carrier under subsection (3), a person taking the order on behalf of the qualified retailer shall comply with subsection (3)(b) to (f). For a sale, delivery, or importation of wine occurring by any means described in subsection (4), a person taking the order on behalf of the direct shipper shall comply with subsection (4)(c) to (g).

(6) A person that delivers the wine for a direct shipper under this section shall verify that the individual accepting delivery is 21 years of age or older and is the individual who placed the order or the designated recipient, is an individual 21 years of age or older currently occupying or present at the address, or is an individual otherwise authorized through a rule promulgated under this act by the commission to receive alcoholic liquor under this section. If the delivery person, after a diligent inquiry, determines that the purchaser or designated recipient is not 21 years of age or older, the delivery person shall return the wine to the direct shipper. A delivery person who returns wine to the direct shipper because the purchaser or designated recipient is not 21 years of age or older is not liable for any damages suffered by the purchaser or direct shipper.

(7) All spirits for sale, use, storage, or distribution in this state, must originally be purchased by and imported into the state by the commission, or by prior written authority of the commission

(8) This section does not apply to alcoholic liquor brought into this state for personal or household use in an amount permitted by federal law by an individual 21 years of age or older at the time of reentry into this state from outside the territorial limits of the United States if the individual has been outside the territorial limits of the United States for more than 48 hours and has not brought alcoholic liquor into the United States during the preceding 30 days.

(9) An individual 21 years of age or older may do either of the following in relation to alcoholic liquor that contains less than 21% alcohol by volume:

(a) Personally transport from another state, once in a 24-hour period, not more than 312 ounces of alcoholic liquor for that individual's personal use, notwithstanding subsection (1).

(b) Ship or import from another state alcoholic liquor for that individual's personal use if that personal importation is done in compliance with subsection (1).

(10) A direct shipper shall not sell, deliver, or import wine to a consumer unless it applies for and is granted a direct shipper license from the commission. This subsection does not prohibit wine tasting or the selling at retail by a wine maker of wines he or she produced and bottled or wine manufactured for that wine maker by another wine manufacturer, if done in compliance with this act. Only the following persons qualify for the issuance of a direct shipper license:

(a) A wine maker.

(b) A wine manufacturer that is located inside this country but outside of this state and that holds both a federal basic permit issued by the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau of the United States Department of Treasury and a license to manufacture wine in its state of domicile.

(11) An applicant for a direct shipper license shall submit an application to the commission in a written or electronic format provided by the commission and accompanied by an application and initial license fee of $100.00. The initial application must be accompanied by a copy or other verifiable evidence of the existing federal basic permit or license, or both, held by the applicant. The direct shipper may renew its license annually by submission of a license renewal fee of $100.00 and a completed renewal application. The commission shall use the fees collected under this section to conduct investigations and audits of direct shippers. The failure to renew, or the revocation or

suspension of, the applicant's existing Michigan license, federal basic permit, or license to manufacture wine in its state of domicile is grounds for revocation or denial of a direct shipper license. If a direct shipper is found guilty of violating this act or a rule promulgated by the commission, the commission shall notify both the alcoholic liquor control agency in the direct shipper's state of domicile and the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau of the United States Department of Treasury of the violation.

(12) A retailer that holds a specially designated merchant license, a brewpub, a micro brewer, or an out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a brewpub or micro brewer may deliver beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink, as allowed by the license the retailer holds, to the home or other designated location of a consumer in this state if all of the following conditions are met:
   (a) The beer or wine, or mixed spirit drink is delivered by the retailer's, brewpub's, or micro brewer's employee.
   (b) The retailer, brewpub, or micro brewer or its employee who delivers the beer or wine, or both, verifies that the individual accepting delivery is at least 21 years of age.
   (c) If the retailer, brewpub, or micro brewer or its employee intends to provide service to consumers, the retailer, brewpub, or micro brewer or its employee providing the service has successfully completed a server training program as provided for in section 906.

(13) A retailer that holds a specially designated merchant license may use a third party that provides delivery service to municipalities in this state that are surrounded by water and inaccessible by motor vehicle to deliver beer, wine, and mixed spirit drink to the home or other designated location of that consumer if the delivery service is approved by the commission and agrees to verify that the individual accepting delivery of the beer, wine and mixed spirit drink is at least 21 years of age.

(14) A retailer that holds a specially designated distributor license may deliver spirits to the home or other designated location of a consumer in this state if all of the following conditions are met:
   (a) The spirits are delivered by the retailer’s employee.
   (b) The retailer or its employee who delivers the spirits verifies that the individual accepting delivery is at least 21 years of age.
   (c) If the retailer or its employee intends to provide service to consumers, the retailer or its employee providing the service has successfully completed a server training program as provided in section 906..

(15) A qualified retailer that holds a specially designated merchant license located in this state may use a third party facilitator service by means of the internet or mobile application to facilitate the sale of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to be delivered to the home or designated location of a consumer as provided in subsection (12), this subsection, or subsection (3), and a third party facilitator service may deliver beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to a consumer on behalf of a qualified retailer that holds a specially designated merchant license located in this state, if all of the following conditions are met:
   (a) If the third party facilitator service delivers beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink under this subsection, the third party facilitator service verifies that the individual accepting the delivery of the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink is at least 21 years of age.
   (b) A manufacturer, warehouser, wholesaler, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, supplier of spirits, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink does not have a direct or indirect interest in the third party facilitator service.
   (c) A manufacturer, warehouser, wholesaler, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, supplier of spirits, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink does not aid or assist the third party facilitator service by gift, loan of money or property of any description, or other valuable thing as defined in section 609, and the third party facilitator service does not accept same.
   (d) The qualified retailer or consumer pays the fees associated with the deliveries provided for under this subsection.
   (e) The third party facilitator service offers services for all brands available at the retail location.

(16) A qualified retailer that holds a specially designated distributor license located in this state may use a third party facilitator service by means of the internet or mobile application to facilitate the sale of spirits to be delivered to the home or designated location of a consumer as provided in subsection (14) or this subsection, and a third party facilitator service may deliver spirits to a consumer on behalf of a retailer that holds a specially designated distributor license located in this state, if all of the following conditions are met::
   (a) If the third party facilitator service delivers spirits under this subsection, the third party facilitator service verifies that the individual accepting the delivery of the spirits is at least 21 years of age

(b) A manufacturer, warehouser, wholesaler, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, supplier of spirits, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink does not have a direct or indirect interest in the third party facilitator service.
(c) A manufacturer, warehouser, wholesaler, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or supplier of spirits, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink does not aid or assist a third party facilitator service by gift, loan of money or property of any description, or other valuable thing as defined in section 609, and a third party facilitator service does not accept the same.
(d) The qualified retailer or consumer pays the fees associated with the deliveries provided for under this subsection.
(e) The third party facilitator service offers services for all brands available at the retail location.

(17) A third party facilitator service shall not deliver beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or spirits to a consumer under subsection (15) or (16), as applicable, and shall not facilitate the sale of beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or spirits under subsection (15) or (16), as applicable, unless it applies for and is granted a third party facilitator service license by the commission. The commission may charge a reasonable application fee, initial license fee, and annual license renewal fee. The commission shall establish a fee under this subsection by written order.

(18) If a third party facilitator service used by a retailer that holds a specially designated merchant or specially designated distributor license under subsection (15) or (16), as applicable, violates this section, the commission shall not treat the third party facilitator service's violation as a violation by the retailer.

(19) A common carrier that carries or transports alcoholic liquor into this state to a person in this state shall submit quarterly reports to the commission. A report required under this subsection must include all of the following about each delivery to a consumer in this state during the preceding calendar quarter:
(a) The name and business address of the person that ships the alcoholic liquor.
(b) The name and address of the recipient of the alcoholic liquor.
(c) The weight of the alcoholic liquor delivered to a consignee.
(d) The date of the delivery.

(20) For purposes of subsection (1), a qualified small distiller or an out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a qualified small distiller may sell and deliver spirits that it manufactured to a retailer licensed to purchase and sell spirits in this state if all of the following conditions are met:
(a) The spirits are sold and delivered by an employee of the qualified small distiller or an out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a qualified small distiller, not an agent, and are transported and delivered using a vehicle owned by the qualified small distiller or the out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a qualified small distiller.
(b) The qualified small distiller or an out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a qualified small distiller complies with all applicable state and federal law and applicable regulatory provisions of this act and rules adopted by the commission under this act including, but not limited to, those requirements related to each of the following:
(i) Employees that sell and deliver spirits to retailers.
(ii) Vehicles used to deliver spirits to retailers.
(iii) Uniform pricing established by the commission under section 233.
(iv) Labeling and registration of spirits under R 436.1829 of the Michigan Administrative Code.
(v) Payment of taxes.
(c) The spirits are not listed in the state of Michigan price book.

(21) A common carrier described in subsection (19) shall maintain the books, records, and documents supporting a report submitted under subsection (19) for 3 years unless the commission notifies the common carrier in writing that the books, records, and supporting documents may be destroyed. Within 30 days after the commission's request, the common carrier shall make the books, records, and documents available for inspection during normal business hours. Within 30 days after a local law enforcement agency's or local governmental unit's request, the common carrier shall also make the books, records, and documents available for inspection to a local law enforcement agency or local governmental unit where the carrier resides or does business.

(22) A third party facilitator service that delivers beer, wine, mixed spirit drink or spirits to a consumer under subsection (15) or (16), as applicable, shall submit quarterly reports to the commission. A report required under this subsection must include all of the following about each delivery to a consumer in this state during the preceding calendar quarter:
(a) The name and business address of the person that ships beer, wine, mixed spirit drink or spirits.
(b) The name and address of the recipient of beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or spirits.

(c) The weight of beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or spirits delivered to a consignee.
(d) The date of the delivery.

(23) A third party facilitator service shall maintain the books, records, and documents supporting a report submitted under subsection (22) for 3 years unless the commission notifies the third party facilitator service in writing that the books, records, and supporting documents may be destroyed. Within 30 days after the commission's request, the third party facilitator service shall make the books, records, and documents available for inspection during normal business hours. Within 30 days after a local law enforcement agency's or local governmental unit's request, the third party facilitator service shall also make the books, records, and documents available for inspection to a local law enforcement agency or local governmental unit where the third party facilitator service resides or does business.

(24) A report submitted under subsection (19) or (22) is subject to disclosure under the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 to 15.246.

(25) As used in this section:

(a) "Common carrier" means a company that transports goods, on reasonable request, on regular routes and at set rates.

(b) "Computer" means any connected, directly interoperable or interactive device, equipment, or facility that uses a computer program or other instructions to perform specific operations including logical, arithmetic, or memory functions with or on computer data or a computer program and that can store, retrieve, alter, or communicate the results of the operations to a person, computer program, computer, computer system, or computer network.

(c) "Computer network" means the interconnection of hardwire or wireless communication lines with a computer through remote terminals, or a complex consisting of 2 or more interconnected computers.

(d) "Computer program" means a series of internal or external instructions communicated in a form acceptable to a computer that directs the functioning of a computer, computer system, or computer network in a manner designed to provide or produce products or results from the computer, computer system, or computer network.

(e) "Computer system" means a set of related, connected or unconnected, computer equipment, devices, software, or hardware.

(f) "Consumer" means an individual who purchases beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or spirits for personal consumption and not for resale.

(g) "Device" includes, but is not limited to, an electronic, magnetic, electrochemical, biochemical, hydraulic, optical, or organic object that performs input, output, or storage functions by the manipulation of electronic, magnetic, or other impulses.

(h) "Diligent inquiry" means a diligent good faith effort to determine the age of an individual, that includes at least an examination of an official Michigan operator's or chauffeur's license, an official Michigan personal identification card, or any other bona fide picture identification that establishes the identity and age of the individual.

(i) "Direct shipper" means either of the following:

(i) A wine manufacturer that sells, delivers, or imports wine it has manufactured, bottled, and registered with the commission, to consumers in this state or that is transacted or caused to be transacted through the use of any mail order, internet, telephone, computer, device, or other electronic means, or sells directly to consumers on the winery premises.

(ii) A wine manufacturer that purchases wine from another wine manufacturer and further manufactures or bottles the wine or purchases shiners of wine from another wine manufacturer in compliance with section 204a, registers the wine with the commission and sells the wine to consumers in this state that is transacted or caused to be transacted through the use of any mail order, internet, telephone, computer, device, or other electronic means, or sells directly to consumers on the winery premises.

(j) "Facilitate" means, subject to subdivision (k), advertising on behalf of a retailer, by means of the internet or mobile application, and pursuant to a written or oral agreement, the brands and prices of beer, wine, or spirits products sold by a retailer and 1 or more of the following:

(i) Assisting the retailer, in any manner, in the arrangement of delivery as allowed in this section.

(ii) Assisting the retailer, in any manner, in the processing of payment by the consumer for the beer, wine, or spirits.

(iii) Transmitting customer information to the retailer.

(iv) Assisting the retailer by providing customer service.

(v) If the retailer maintains supervision and control over the day-to-day operation of its business, providing other normal and customary operational services.

(k) “Facilitate” does not include web designing, operating an internet search engine, or publishing an internet version of a newspaper.

(l) "Identification verification service" means an internet-based service approved by the commission specializing in age and identity verification.

(m) “Mobile application” means a specialized software program downloaded onto a wireless communication device.

(n) "Qualified retailer" means a retailer licensed to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption off the premises that complies with all of the following:

(i) The retailer maintains physical licensed premises that are open to the general public for face-to-face sales transactions of alcoholic liquor, packaged food, and other products to consumers.

(ii) At least 25% of the retailer's annual gross sales of alcoholic liquor must be from face-to-face sales transactions with consumers on the premises described in subparagraph (i) unless the retailer's physical licensed premises is less than 15,000 square feet in total.

(iii) The retailer holds and maintains either of the following for the premises described in subparagraph (i):

(A) A retail food establishment license issued under the food law, 2000 PA 92, MCL 289.1101 to 289.8111. As used in this sub-subparagraph, "retail food establishment" means that term as defined in section 1111 of the food law, 2000 PA 92, MCL 289.1111.

(B) An extended retail food establishment license issued under the food law, 2000 PA 92, MCL 289.1101 to 289.8111. As used in this sub-subparagraph, "extended retail food establishment" means that term as defined in section 1107 of the food law, 2000 PA 92, MCL 289.1107.

(o) "Qualified small distiller" means a small distiller, or an out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a small distiller, that sells under 3,000 gallons of spirits per calendar year directly to retailers located in this state or out-of-state entities that are the substantial equivalent of retailers. If a small distiller or an out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a qualified small distiller manufactures spirits at more than 1 location, the total number of gallons of spirits sold to retailers or out-of-state entities that are the substantial equivalent of retailers from all locations must be combined to determine the 3,000-gallon threshold.

(p) “Third party facilitator service” means a person licensed by the commission to do any of the following:

(i) Facilitate the sale of beer, wine, and mixed spirit drink to a consumer as provided in subsection (15) on behalf of a qualified retailer that holds a specially designated merchant license located in this state.

(ii) Facilitate the sale of spirits to a consumer as provided in subsection (16) on behalf of a qualified retailer that holds a specially designated distributor license located in this state.

(iii) Deliver beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to a consumer as provided in subsection (15) on behalf of a qualified retailer that holds a specially designated merchant license located in this state.

(iv) Deliver spirits to a consumer as provided in subsection (16) on behalf of a qualified retailer that holds as specially designated distributor license located in this state.

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Compiler's Notes: Enacting section 2 of Act 268 of 2005 provides: “Enacting section 2. If an appellate court declares this amendatory act unconstitutional, then it is the intent of the legislature that a good faith effort be made to amend section 305 of the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1305, to make it less burdensome for a small winery to terminate an agreement with a wholesaler.”

436.1203a Liquor; manufacturer; self-distribution limit of micro brewers.

Sec. 203a

(1) The legislature finds that the 3-tier system is necessary to protect public health and safety of Michigan residents and to promote competition and access to market for all alcoholic beverage suppliers.
(2) The legislature further finds that vertical integration of the alcoholic beverage industry is contrary to this state's interest in protecting public health and safety of Michigan residents and leads to anti-competitive behavior by beverage alcohol suppliers.
(3) The legislature further finds that the 3-tier system and the prohibitions under section 603 achieve the following public policy goals:
    (a) Promote consumer choice and product variety by providing a platform that provides all suppliers access to Michigan's beverage alcohol market.
    (b) Encourage wholesalers to invest in their businesses and all the brands they distribute, free from undue interference from the suppliers of the brands they distribute.
    (c) Create a transparent and accountable alcohol distribution system that allows the commission to prevent the manufacture, distribution, or sale of counterfeit, adulterated, unregistered, recalled, or prohibited alcoholic beverages.
(4) This state has an interest in creating market access for all sizes of suppliers and finds that micro brewers create competition and variety in Michigan's beer market.
(5) For the purposes of creating access to Michigan's beer market while also preserving the 3-tier system and limiting vertical integration, a micro brewer or an out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a micro brewer may sell and deliver beer to a retailer in this state only if all of the following conditions are met:
    (a) The retailer is not located in a sales territory for which the micro brewer or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a micro brewer has granted exclusive sales rights to a wholesaler under sections 401 and 403 for the sale of any brand or brands of beer produced by the micro brewer or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a micro brewer.
    (b) The beer is sold and delivered by an employee of the micro brewer or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a micro brewer, not an agent, and is transported and delivered using a vehicle owned by the micro brewer or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a micro brewer.
    (c) The micro brewer or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a micro brewer is in compliance with applicable state and federal law and applicable regulatory provisions of this act and rules promulgated by the commission under this act, including, but not limited to, those requirements related to each of the following:
        (i) Employees that sell and deliver beer to retailers.
        (ii) Vehicles used to deliver beer to retailers.
        (iii) Price schedules and temporary price reductions.
        (iv) 1976 IL 1, MCL 445.571 to 445.576.
    (d) The micro brewer or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a micro brewer sells not more than 2,000 barrels of beer total per year. In determining the 2,000-barrel threshold under this subdivision, all brands and labels of a micro brewer or out-of-state equivalent of a micro brewer, whether sold to a wholesaler or a retailer in this state or outside of this state, must be combined. Sales to consumers on the licensed premises of the micro brewer or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a micro brewer are not included in determining the 2,000-barrel threshold under this subdivision.

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436.1203b Sale and delivery of mixed spirit drink by mixed spirt drink manufacturer or substantially-equivalent out-of-state entity to retailer; requirements.

Sec. 203b

Notwithstanding anything in this act to the contrary, a mixed spirit drink manufacturer or an out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a mixed spirit drink manufacturer may sell and deliver mixed spirit drink that it manufactures to a retailer in this state only if all of the following conditions are met:

(a) The retailer is not located in a sales territory for which the mixed spirit drink manufacturer or out-

of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a mixed spirit drink manufacturer has granted exclusive sales rights to a wholesaler under section 307 for the sale of any brand or brands of mixed spirit drink produced by the mixed spirit drink manufacturer or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a mixed spirit drink manufacturer.

(b) The mixed spirit drink is sold and delivered by an employee of the mixed spirit drink manufacturer or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a mixed spirit drink manufacturer, not an agent, and is transported and delivered using a vehicle owned by the mixed spirit drink manufacturer or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a mixed spirit drink manufacturer.

(c) The mixed spirit drink manufacturer or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a mixed spirit drink manufacturer is in compliance with applicable state and federal law and applicable regulatory provisions of this act and rules promulgated by the commission under this act related to each of the following:
   (i) Employees that sell and deliver mixed spirit drink to retailers.
   (ii) Vehicles used to deliver mixed spirit drink to retailers.
   (iii) Price schedules and temporary price reductions.
   (iv) 1976 IL 1, MCL 445.571 to 445.576.
   (v) Labeling and registration of mixed spirit drink.
   (vi) Payment of taxes.

(d) The mixed spirit drink manufacturer or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a mixed spirit drink manufacturer sells not more than 31,000 gallons of mixed spirit drink total per year. In determining the 31,000-gallon threshold under this subdivision, all brands and labels of a mixed spirit drink manufacturer or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a mixed spirit drink manufacturer, whether sold to a wholesaler or a retailer in this state or outside of this state, must be combined. Sales to consumers on the licensed premises of the mixed spirit drink manufacturer or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a mixed spirit drink manufacturer are not included in determining the 31,000-gallon threshold under this subdivision.

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436.1204 Importation of liquor into this state; requirements; exceptions; inspection by the commission.

Sec. 204

(1) Except for an individual who brings, transports, ships, or imports alcoholic liquor into this state under section 203(8) or (9), as applicable, for a retailer, or for sacramental wines imported under section 301, a person shall not sell, deliver, or import beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink in this state unless the person is 1 of the following:
   (a) A supplier as that term is defined in section 603.
   (b) A licensed direct shipper described in section 203(10).
   (c) A wholesaler.

(2) Except for an individual who brings, transports, ships, or imports alcoholic liquor into this state under section 203(8) or (9), as applicable, for a retailer, or for sacramental wines imported under section 301 a person described in subsection (1) may only sell, deliver, or import beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink in this state in 1 of the following ways:
   (a) A licensed direct shipper may sell to a consumer under section 203.
   (b) An outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, may deliver the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to the licensed premises of the wholesalers designated to sell and deliver the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to the individual licensed location of the retailer in the wholesaler's sales territory under section 305 or 403, as applicable.
   (c) A wholesaler that picks up the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink from the premises of an outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, may deliver the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to the licensed premises of the wholesaler designated to sell and deliver the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to the individual licensed location of the retailer in the wholesaler's sales territory under section 305 or 403, as applicable.
   (d) An outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink may deliver the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to its licensed premises in this state. However, the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink must be delivered to the licensed premises of the wholesaler

designated to sell and deliver the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to the individual licensed location of the retailer in the wholesaler's sales territory under section 305 or 403, as applicable

(e) A brewer, wine maker, or mixed spirit drink manufacturer that has a manufacturing plant located outside of this state may deliver the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink manufactured in the manufacturing plant to its licensed premises in his state. However, the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink must be delivered to the licensed premises of the wholesaler designated to sell and deliver the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to the individual licensed location of the retailer in the wholesaler's sales territory under section 305 or 403, as applicable.

(f) Except as otherwise provided in this act, a brewer, wine maker, or mixed spirit drink manufacturer may deliver the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to the licensed premises of the wholesaler designated to sell and deliver the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to the individual licensed location of the retailer in the wholesaler's territory under section 305 or 403, as applicable.

(3) Except as otherwise provided in subsections (4), both of the following apply to beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink that is delivered to a wholesaler under this act:

(a) The wholesaler shall maintain the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink on the wholesaler's licensed premises.

(b) The wholesaler shall make the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink maintained on the wholesaler's licensed premises as required under subdivision (a) available for inspection by the commission for at least 24 hours before the wholesaler delivers the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to a retailer.

(4) For beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink that has been delivered to a wholesaler under this act, subsection (3) does not apply and the wholesaler may deliver beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to a retailer if all of the following apply:

(a) Either of the following applies:

(i) The wholesaler cannot fulfill the retailer's order for the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink from the inventory currently available on the wholesaler's licensed premises.

(ii) The wholesaler intends to deliver the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink to a special licensee, including as provided under section 526, before the 24-hour period under subsection (3)(b) has expired.

(b) Either of the following applies:

(i) The beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink has been delivered to the address of the wholesaler's licensed premises.

(ii) The wholesaler picked up the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink from the licensed premises of any of the following:

(A) A brewer.
(B) A wine maker.
(C) A mixed spirit drink manufacturer.
(D) An outstate seller of beer.
(E) An outstate seller of wine.
(F) An outstate seller of mixed spirit drink.
(G) A wholesaler.

(c) The wholesaler maintains the invoice of the deliver and attaches documentation to the invoice that details each product and the amount of each product that was not placed on the wholesaler's floor.

(5) This section does not prohibit a brewer, micro brewer, wine maker, small wine maker, or retailer from selling alcoholic liquor or nonalcoholic beverages as provided in this act.

History: Add 2018, Act 178, Eff. June 11, 2018

436.1204a Prohibition of the sale or transfer of alcoholic liquor in this state; exceptions; applicability of section to nonalcoholic ingredients

Sec. 204a

(1) A manufacturer shall not sell or transfer alcoholic liquor to a licensed manufacturer in this state except as provided in subsections (2) and (3).

(2) Notwithstanding any provision in this act to the contrary, a manufacturer may sell or transfer wine or spirits to a licensed manufacturer, and a licensed manufacturer may purchase or receive wine or spirits, under any of the following conditions:

(a) For a sale or transfer of wine:
(i) The selling or transferring manufacturer is a wine maker, small wine maker, or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a wine maker or small wine maker and is selling or transferring the wine to a wine maker, small wine maker, or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a wine maker or small wine maker.
(ii) The purchasing or receiving wine maker or small wine maker manufactures wine at its licensed premises or the purchasing or receiving small wine maker bottles wine at its licensed premises.
(b) For a sale or transfer of spirits:
(i) The selling or transferring manufacturer is a distiller, small distiller, or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a distiller or small distiller and is selling or transferring the spirits to a distiller, small distiller, or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a distiller or small distiller.
(ii) The purchasing or receiving distiller or small distiller manufactures spirits at their licensed premises.

(3) A wine maker, small wine maker, distiller, or small distiller may not sell alcoholic liquor purchased or received under this section unless 1 of the following conditions is met:
(a) The purchasing or receiving manufacturer modifies the purchased or received alcoholic liquor by performing a portion of the manufacturing process as described in section 109(1).
(b) The purchasing or receiving small wine maker bottles the purchased or received wine.
(c) The purchasing or receiving wine maker or small wine maker is selling a shiner on which the wine maker or small wine maker has placed a label under section 111(10).

(4) This section does not prevent a manufacturer from selling, purchasing, or receiving nonalcoholic ingredients to or from another manufacturer.

History: Add 2018, Act 404, Eff. Dec. 19, 2018

436.1205 Privatization of warehousing and delivery of spirits; authorized distribution agents.

Sec. 205.

(1) The commission shall, as provided in section 203(1), by order appoint authorized distribution agents to warehouse and deliver spirits in this state to ensure that all retail licensees are properly serviced with spirits. An authorized distribution agent is subject to uniform requirements, including business operating procedures that the commission may prescribe by rule, subject to this section.

(2) A person is eligible for appointment by the commission as an authorized distribution agent if all of the following circumstances exist:
(a) The person satisfies all applicable commission rules prescribing qualifications for licensure promulgated under section 215.
(b) The person has entered into a written agreement or contract with a supplier of spirits to warehouse and deliver a brand or brands of spirits of that supplier of spirits.
(c) The person has an adequate warehousing facility located in this state to store spirits from which all delivery of spirits to retail licensees must be made.

(3) An authorized distribution agent shall not have a direct or indirect interest in a supplier of spirits or in a retailer. A supplier of spirits or a retailer shall not have a direct or indirect interest in an authorized distribution agent. An authorized distribution agent shall not hold title to spirits.

(4) An authorized distribution agent shall deliver to each retailer located in its assigned distribution area on at least a weekly basis if the order meets the minimum requirements. Except that in a week that accompanies a state holiday, the commission may order a modified delivery schedule if a retailer will not wait longer than 9 days between deliveries because of the modified delivery schedule. The commission shall provide for an integrated online ordering system for spirits and shall require the continuance of any ordering system in existence on the activation date of the system established under section 206. The commission shall set minimum requirements that must be a sufficient number of bottles to comprise not more than 2 cases. A retailer may pick up the product at the authorized distribution agent's warehouse. To avoid occasional emergency outages of spirits, a retail licensee may make up to 12 special emergency orders to an authorized distribution agent in each calendar year. An authorized distribution agent shall make a special emergency order available to the retail licensee within 18 hours of the placing of the order. An authorized distribution agent shall make a special emergency order placed on Saturday or Sunday available to the retail

licensee before noon on the following Monday. An authorized distribution agent may impose a fee of up to $20.00 to deliver a special emergency order to a retail licensee.

(5) In locations inaccessible to a motor vehicle as that term is defined by section 33 of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.33, an authorized distribution agent shall arrange that a delivery of spirits to a retailer be in compliance with the following procedures:
   (a) After processing an order from a retailer, an authorized distribution agent shall contact a retailer to confirm the quantity of cases or bottles, or both, and the exact dollar total of the order.
   (b) The authorized distribution agent shall coordinate with the retailer the date and time a driver is scheduled to deliver the order to a ferry transport dock, shall arrange any ferry, drayage, or other appropriate service, and shall pick up the retailer's payment at that time.
   (c) The ferry transport company or company representing any other form of conveyance shall take the retailer's payment to the mainland dock and give that payment to the authorized distribution agent's driver.
   (d) The ferry transport company or company representing any other form of conveyance shall transport the order to the drayage or other appropriate company at the island dock for immediate delivery to the retailer.
   (e) The drayage or other appropriate company shall deliver the order to the retailer.

(6) An authorized distribution agent is responsible for the payment of all transportation and delivery charges imposed by the ferry, drayage, or other conveyance company and is responsible for all breakage and any shortages, whether attributable to the ferry, drayage, or other conveyance company or any combination of those companies, until the order is delivered to the retailer's establishment. This subsection does not prevent the authorized distribution agent from seeking reimbursement or damages from any company conveying the authorized distribution agent's product.

(7) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (4), an authorized distribution agent shall not charge delivery fee or a split-case fee for delivery of spirits sold by the commission to a retailer.

(8) An authorized distribution agent or prospective authorized distribution agent shall maintain and make available to the commission or its representatives, on notice, any contract or written agreement it has with a supplier of spirits or other authorized distribution agent for the warehousing and delivering spirits in this state.

(9) For a violation of this act, a rule promulgated under this act, or the terms of an order appointing an authorized distribution agent, an authorized distribution agent is subject to the suspension, revocation, forfeiture, and penalty provisions of sections 903(1) and 907 in the same manner in which a licensee would be subject to those provisions. An authorized distribution agent aggrieved by a penalty imposed by the commission may invoke the hearing and appeal procedures of section 903(2) and rules promulgated under section 903.

(10) A specially designated distributor may sell to an on-premises retailer up to 120 liters of spirits during a calendar year and an on-premises retailer may purchase, collectively from specially designated distributors, up to 120 liters of spirits during a calendar year. Notwithstanding any other provision of this act or rule promulgated under this act, a specially designated distributor is only liable for knowingly violating this section. An on-premises retailer shall maintain and make available to the commission on request records verifying the purchases described in this subsection. For each month in which an on-premises retailer purchases spirits under this subsection, the on-premises retailer shall submit a report to the commission indicating the purchases the on-premises retailer made under this subsection during that month. By July 1, 2020, the commission shall establish the method and form for the electronic reporting of purchases made under this subsection by on-premises retailers. The commission shall not require an on-premises retailer to submit a report under this subsection in less than monthly intervals and shall not require a report from an on-premises retailer in a month in which the on-premises retailer did not purchase spirits under this subsection.

(11) In addition to paying a vendor of spirits the acquisition price for purchasing spirits, the commission may pay a vendor of spirits an additional amount of not less than $8.25 and not more than $12.50 for each case of spirits purchased as an offset to the costs being incurred by that vendor of spirits in contracting with an authorized distribution agent for warehousing and delivering spirits to retailers. The payment described in this subsection may not be included in the cost of purchasing spirits by the commission and is not subject to the commission's markup, special taxes, or state sales tax. The per-case offset established by this subsection may be increased by the state administrative board each January to reflect reasonable increases in the authorized distribution agent's cost of warehousing and delivering. As used in this subsection, "case" means a container

holding twelve 750 ml bottles of spirits or other containers containing spirits that are standard to the industry.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 1998, Act 416, Imd. Eff. Dec. 21, 1998; -- Am. 2001, Act 274, Imd. Eff. Jan. 11, 2002; -- Am. 2010, Act 175, Imd. Eff. Sept. 30, 2010; Am. 2010, Act 213, Eff. November 17, 2010;--Am. 2015, Act 246, Eff.Mar.21, 2016; --Am. 2020, Act 126, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020; --Am 2022, Act 142, Imd. Eff. July 11, 2022

436.1206 Integrated on-line ordering system.

Sec. 206.

(1) Not later than January 1, 2003, the commission shall provide for an integrated on-line ordering system for retail licensees to place orders for spirits from authorized distribution agents. The system shall allow retail licensees to order all brands and types of spirits from the commission and provide the order to the appropriate authorized distribution agents.
(2) The commission may enter into any agreements with or contract with private or other public entities as provided for or allowed by law to establish the integrated on-line ordering system described in subsection (1). A licensee of the commission or an authorized distribution agent shall not have a direct or indirect interest in the person with whom the commission contracts or enters into an agreement to establish the integrated on-line ordering system described in subsection (1). Ownership of the integrated on-line ordering system remains with the commission. The commission may, through issuance of an order, allow banner advertising in conjunction with the on-line ordering system as a means of defraying the costs of operation or maintenance, or both, of the system.

History: Add. 2001, Act 274, Imd. Eff. Jan. 11, 2002

436.1207 Exceptions to act.

Sec. 207.

This act does not apply to any of the following:

(a) The manufacture of cider from fruit for the purpose of making vinegar and non-intoxicating cider and fruit juice for use and sale, and cider and fruit juice if used or sold, or both, within 30 days after manufacture.
(b) Beer, wine, mead, honey-based beer, or cider of any alcoholic content made on the premises by the owner or lessee of those premises if those premises are used and occupied by the owner or lessee as a dwelling and the beer, wine, mead, honey-based beer, or cider is made for family use and home consumption.
(c) The gift to an individual for noncommercial use or consumption of up to 20 gallons of beer, wine, mead, honey-based beer, or cider produced under the circumstances described in subdivision (b). This subdivision does not allow a person less than 21 years of age to possess, receive as a gift, or give beer, wine, mead, honey-based beer, or cider produced under the circumstances described in subdivision (b).
(d) The sale, gift, or keeping and storing for sale by druggists and general merchants and others of medicinal preparations manufactured in accordance with the formulas prescribed by the United States pharmacopoeia and national formulary, patent or proprietary preparations, and other bona fide medicinal and technical preparations, that contain no more alcohol than is necessary to extract the medicinal properties of the drugs contained in those preparations and no more alcohol than is necessary to hold the medicinal agents in solution and to preserve them, that are manufactured and sold as medicine and not as beverages, that are unfit for use for beverage purposes, and the sale of which does not require the payment of a United States liquor dealer's tax.
(e) The manufacture and sale of tinctures or of toilet, medicinal, and antiseptic preparations and solutions that are not intended for internal human use or that are not intended to be sold as beverages, that are unfit for beverage purposes, and on the outside of each bottle, box, or package of which is conspicuously and legibly printed in English the quantity by volume of alcohol in those preparations.
(f) The manufacture and keeping for sale of the food product known as flavoring extracts that are manufactured and sold for cooking, culinary, or flavoring purposes and are unfit for use as a beverage or for beverage purposes, except that a person shall not manufacture or sell any toilet, medicinal, or antiseptic preparations or solutions, or any flavoring extracts or patent or proprietary medicines or preparations, if the manufacture and sale of those items require the payment of a United States liquor dealer's tax except as provided in this act.

(g) The manufacture or sale, or both, of ethyl, mechanical, or industrial alcohol, not used for or made unfit for beverage purposes.
(h) The purchase of alcoholic liquor for use in the manufacture of toilet, medicinal, or antiseptic preparations or solutions, or any flavoring extract or patent or proprietary medicines or preparations, by a manufacturer using alcoholic liquor exclusively for the manufacturing purposes and licensed by the commission for that use. A license issued for that use is predicated on the payment of an annual fee of $10.00. The license expires on May 1 following the date of its issuance.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998;-- Am. 2019, Act 131, Imd. Eff. Nov. 21, 2019

436.1209 Liquor control commission; creation; appointment, duties, and terms of members; designation and duties of hearing commissioners and administrative commissioners; appeal board; duties; terms; oath; removal; vacancies; quorum; salary and expenses; work station; designation by chairperson.

Sec. 209.

(1) A commission to be known as the liquor control commission is created.
(2) The commission shall consist of 5 members, not more than 3 of whom shall be members of the same political party, to be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. Two of these members, 1 from each political party, shall be designated by the chairperson as hearing commissioners to hear violation cases and to perform such other functions and duties as are assigned to them by the chairperson. The remaining 3 commissioners shall be designated as administrative commissioners and shall have the responsibility for administering the provisions of this act relating to licensing, purchasing, enforcement, merchandising, and distribution. The administrative commissioners shall also act as an appeal board to the decisions rendered by the hearing commissioners.
(3) The responsibilities of the 5-member commission shall be the administration of the provisions of this act that have not been specifically delegated to either the hearing commissioners or the administrative commissioners in this section.
(4) Each member of the commission shall devote that member's entire time to the performance of the duties of that office.
(5) The terms of the commissioners shall be 4 years each. Each member of the commission shall qualify by taking and filing the constitutional oath of office and shall hold office until the appointment and qualification of a successor. The members of the commission shall not be removed from office by the governor except for malfeasance, misfeasance, or neglect in office.
(6) In the event of a vacancy or vacancies in the membership of the commission the governor shall appoint in like manner a successor or successors to fill the unexpired term.
(7) A quorum for the transaction of business of the administrative commissioners shall consist of 2 administrative commissioners. A quorum for the transaction of business of the 5-member commission shall be 3 members.
(8) Each member of the commission shall receive an annual salary as appropriated by the legislature, shall be entitled to actual and necessary expenses while on the business of the commission, and shall have a work station designated by the chairperson. If an administrative commissioner's permanent or temporary residence is within 100 miles of an office in which the commission regularly conducts business, the chairperson shall designate an office as the member's work station.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1211 Liquor control business manager; selection; duty and responsibility.

Sec. 211.

(1) The powers of the commission, enumerated in this act, which are not specifically and exclusively reserved to the commission by the act, shall be vested in, and exercised and administered by a liquor control business manager, who shall be selected by and responsible to the commission, and whose position shall be in the state classified civil service. The powers of the commission enumerated in, and provided for by this act, shall be exercised in conformity with the provisions of the act pertaining to the duties of the liquor control manager, except that the commission shall exclusively exercise the power to make rules and regulations under the act to regulate the control

of the alcoholic beverage traffic within the state; to hear and decide all cases of violation of the provisions of the act and regulations thereunder; to employ a liquor control business manager as provided for by the act; and to hear and decide all public appeals from the administrative decisions of the liquor control business manager.

(2) The liquor control business manager shall be and shall serve as the business manager of the commission, and, as such, it shall be his or her duty and responsibility to manage the business affairs of the commission relative to purchasing, merchandising, warehousing, rationing, distributing, inspecting, investigating, licensing, and accounting, in accordance with policies established by the commission and in compliance with the provisions of this act and with the rules and regulations adopted thereunder. In addition to the foregoing, the business manager shall be exclusively responsible for the assigning, training, and supervision of all commission classified employees.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1213 Liquor control commission; employment of assistants and employees; compensation; expenses.

Sec. 213.

The commission may employ assistants, clerks, stenographers, employees, and experts as it considers necessary, and fix their compensation, and incur such other expenses as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, subject to appropriations provided by the legislature. Assistants and employees of the commission are entitled to actual and necessary travel and other expenses while on the business of the commission, if those expenses are authorized and approved by the commission.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1215 Liquor control commission; rules and regulations; public hearings; record.

Sec. 215.

(1) The commission shall adopt rules and regulations governing the carrying out of this act and the duties and responsibilities of licensees in the proper conduct and management of their licensed places. Rules shall be promulgated under the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.

(2) The commission shall hold public hearings twice each calendar year for the purpose of hearing complaints and receiving the views of the public with respect to the administration of this act.

(3) The hearings shall be kept and transcribed as a part of the records of the commission.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

Admin Rule: R 436.571 et seq.; R 436.1001 et seq.; R 436.1101 et seq.; R 436.1301 et seq.; R 436.1401 et seq.; R 436.1501 et seq.; R 436.1601 et seq.; R 436.1701 et seq.; R 436.1801 et seq.; R 436.1851 et seq.; R 436.1951 et seq.; R 436.1963; and R 436.2001 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.

436.1217 Liquor control commission; investigations; inspection and search of licensed premises; seizure and use of evidence of violation; examining or copying books, records, and papers; issuance of subpoena; oath or affirmation; court order; contempt; fees of witnesses; service of subpoena; seal; certified copies as evidence.

Sec. 217.

(1) The commission may make investigations that it considers proper in the administration of this act and the rules promulgated under this act concerning alcoholic liquor, or the manufacture, distribution, or sale of alcoholic liquor, or the collection of taxes on alcoholic liquor.

(2) A licensee shall make the licensed premises available for inspection and search by a commission investigator or law enforcement officer empowered to enforce the commission's rules and this act during regular business hours or when the licensed premises are occupied by the licensee or a clerk, servant, agent, or employee of the licensee. Evidence of a violation of this act or rules promulgated under this act discovered under this subsection may be seized and used in an administrative or court proceeding.

(3) The commission or a duly authorized agent of the commission may examine or copy the books, records, or papers of a person relative to a requirement pertaining to this act, access to which has been obtained pursuant to this section.
(4) A member of the commission or a duly authorized agent of the commission may issue a subpoena requiring a person to appear before the commission or its duly authorized agent at any reasonable time and place, to be examined with reference to any matter within the scope of the inquiry or investigation being conducted by the commission, and to produce any books, records, or papers pertaining to the question involved.
(5) A member of the commission or a duly authorized agent of the commission may administer an oath or affirmation to a witness in any matter before the commission, certify to official acts, and take depositions.
(6) In case of disobedience of a subpoena, the commission or its duly authorized agent may invoke the aid of any circuit court of the state to compel the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of books, records, and papers pertaining to the question involved. A circuit court of this state within the jurisdiction of which the inquiry is conducted may, in case of contumacy or refusal to obey a subpoena, issue an order requiring the person to appear before the commission or its duly authorized agent, to produce books, records, and papers if so ordered, and to give evidence regarding the matter in question. Failure to obey the order of the court may be punished by the court as a contempt of court.
(7) The fees of witnesses required to appear before the commission shall be the same as those allowed to witnesses in the circuit courts and shall be paid by the commission.
(8) A sheriff's department or police department shall, upon request of the commission, cause to be served a subpoena that is directed to a person located within the jurisdiction of the sheriff's department or police department. A fee shall not be charged for this service by the sheriff's department or police department. Subpoenas may also be served by an investigator of the commission.
(9) The commission shall adopt a suitable seal, of which all courts of the state shall take judicial notice, and all proceedings, orders, licenses, and official acts of the commission shall be authenticated by that seal. Certified copies of the orders and records of the commission shall be prima facie evidence of the acts of the commission in any court of this state.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1219 Liquor control commission; branch offices.

Sec. 219.

The commission shall be authorized to establish throughout the state of Michigan 4 branch offices. The expense of the branch offices shall be paid by the commission in the manner provided in this act.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1221 Liquor control commission; revolving fund; use; report; interest earnings; disposition of money received.

Sec. 221.

(1) The commission shall maintain a revolving fund derived from the money deposited to the credit of the commission with the state treasurer. Money from the revolving fund shall be periodically transferred to the general fund in accordance with the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1101 to 18.1594. The revolving fund must be used for replenishing, maintaining, warehousing, and distributing liquor stock throughout this state and for administration of this act. The commission shall prepare and submit a monthly report containing an accounting of the revolving fund to the state treasurer and to the budget director. The monthly report must include an itemized account of all money received and all expenditures made by the commission during the month covered in the report.
(2) Interest earnings on common cash attributable to the revolving fund must be credited to the revolving fund and must be available to the commission for administration of this act.
(3) All money received by the commission under this act must be turned over to the state treasurer according to department of treasury procedures.

(4) All money deposited by the commission with the state treasurer must be credited to the revolving fund for expenditures or transfers authorized under subsection (1).
(5) As used in this section, “revolving fund” means the revolving fund established in subsection (1).

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; Am. 2018, Act 155, Eff. Oct.1, 2018; --Am. 2018, Act 346, Imd. Eff. Oct. 16, 2018

436.1223 Liquor control commission; interest of members or employees.

Sec. 223.

A member or employee of the commission shall not be pecuniarily interested, directly or indirectly, in the manufacture, warehousing, sale, distribution or transportation, or selling or furnishing of any equipment, furnishings, or refrigeration used in the manufacture or sale of alcoholic liquor within this state.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1225 Liquor control commission; civil liability of commission or members.

Sec. 225.

The commission or a member of the commission shall not be personally liable for any action at law for damages sustained by a person because of an action performed or done by the commission or a member of the commission in the performance of their respective duties in the administration and implementation of this act.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1227 Liquor control commission; establishment of state liquor stores; basis.

Sec. 227.

The commission may establish state liquor stores throughout this state. In counties with a population of less than 40,000 according to the most recent federal census, there shall not be more than 1 store in that county, and in counties with a population of 40,000 or more according to the most recent federal census, there shall not be more than 1 store located in that county for each 40,000 population or major fraction thereof according to the most recent federal census. However, the commission may in its discretion establish a state liquor store in any village or city with a population of 3,000 or more according to the most recent federal census.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1229 Licensing hotel or merchant to sell spirits for consumption off premises; sale of alcoholic liquor; price; rules; definitions.

Sec. 229.

(1) The commission may license a hotel or merchant, in places that the commission may designate, to sell spirits for consumption off the premises, notwithstanding section 233(1). Except as otherwise provided in this section, if alcoholic liquor is sold by a specially designated distributor under a license issued under this section, it shall not be sold at less than the minimum retail selling price fixed by the commission and under rules promulgated by the commission.
(2) The commission may, by rule or order, allow a specially designated distributor to sell alcoholic liquor at less than the minimum retail selling price in order to dispose of inventory at a price and under conditions and procedures established through that rule or order.
(3) As used in this section and in sections 1201, 1203, and 1207, "retail selling price" means the price the commission pays for spirits plus the gross profit established in section 233.
(4) As used in this section, "minimum retail selling price" means retail selling price plus the specific taxes imposed in sections 1201, 1203, and 1207.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; Am. 2004, Act 407, Imd. Eff. Nov. 29, 2004; Am. 2005, Act 288, Imd. Eff. Dec. 19, 2005; Am. 2011, Act166, Eff. Oct. 1, 2012

436.1231 Liquor control commission; handling of alcoholic liquor; gross profit; leasing and purchasing power.

Sec. 231.

The commission may buy, possess, and sell in its own name all alcoholic liquor for distribution as provided in sections 227 and 229. The commission shall supply such types of alcoholic liquor as are demanded by the public. However, if a brand so demanded is not manufactured within the United States or is not readily obtainable within the United States, then an order for that brand shall be filled by the commission at the entire expense of the person placing that order subject to any gross profit or discounts, or both, provided for in section 233. The commission may lease or occupy any building or land required for its operation, and may purchase any warehouse required for its operation, subject to the approval of the state administrative board.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1233 Uniform prices for sale of alcoholic liquor; gross profit; prices for sale of alcoholic liquor to hospitals, charitable institutions, and military establishments; discount for certain sales of alcoholic liquor.

Sec. 233.

(1) The commission shall establish uniform prices for the sale of alcoholic liquor by specially designated distributors. The prices must return a gross profit to the commission of not less than 51% and not greater than 65%. If alcoholic liquor purchased by the commission has not met sales standards established by the commission for 6 months, the commission may sell the alcoholic liquor at a price to be approved by the state administrative board.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), the commission may establish by rule prices for the sale of alcoholic liquor to hospitals, charitable institutions, and military establishments located in this state.

(3) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, specially designated distributors and on-premises licensees are entitled to a 17% discount from the uniform prices described in subsection (1) on alcoholic liquor purchased from this state. Beginning July 1, 2020 until July 1, 2021, on-premises licensees are entitled to a 23% discount from the uniform prices described in subsection (1) on alcoholic liquor purchased from this state.

(4) Beginning on the effective date of the amendatory act that added this subsection, and July 1 of each year after that date, a small distiller or an out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a small distiller may file an application with the department of agriculture and rural development to be certified as a qualified small distiller. An application under this subsection must be on a form prescribed and furnished by the department of agriculture and rural development. The department of agriculture and rural development may charge a reasonable certification fee. The certification fee received by the department of agriculture and rural development under this subsection must be deposited in the Michigan craft beverage council fund created under section 303a.

(5) Beginning January 1, 2023, the price for each bottle of qualified distilled spirits manufactured by a qualified small distiller must return a gross profit to the commission of 32.5%.

(6) The department of agriculture and rural development shall certify that an applicant under subsection (4) is a qualified small distiller if the department of agriculture and rural development determines that the base distillate of the small distiller or the out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a small distiller is at least 40% distilled from qualified grain grown and harvested in this state.

(7) Not later than November 1, 2022, and each November 1 thereafter, the department of agriculture and rural development shall submit a report to the commission. A report under this subsection must include the name of each qualified small distiller certified under subsection (6).

(8) A qualified small distiller certificate expires on July 1 following the date of issuance.

(9) A small distiller or an out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a small distiller that knowingly supplies false information to the department of agriculture and rural development or the commission under this section is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 1 year or a fine of not more than $3,000.00, or both. A small distiller or an out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a small distiller that knowingly supplies false information as described in this subsection shall pay the commission the difference between the gross profit the commission would have received under subsection (1) if the small distiller or the out-of-state entity

that is the substantial equivalent of a small distiller was not a qualified small distiller, as determined by the commission.

(10) A qualified small distiller shall keep a complete and accurate set of records and accounts of all transactions pertaining to the operation of its distillery, including, but not limited to, records and accounts of all qualified grain received in or withdrawn from the distillery, all acknowledgment forms and Michigan certification of origination statements in the qualified small distiller's possession, copies of all contracts, and acknowledgment forms returned to and settled by the qualified small distiller. The department of agriculture and rural development and the commission may examine the records and accounts pertaining to the qualified small distiller's qualified grain handling business at any time during normal business hours.

(11) As used in this section:

(a) "Acknowledgment form" means a scale weight ticket, a load slip, or any other evidence of deposit issued by a small distiller, an out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a small distiller, or the authorized representative of a small distiller or out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a small distiller to a depositor that identifies the qualified grain being transferred from possession of the depositor to the possession of the small distiller or the out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a small distiller.

(b) "Depositor" means either of the following:

(i) A person that delivers qualified grain to a small distiller or an out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a small distiller for storage, processing, shipment, or sale and that has title to qualified grain at the time of delivery.

(ii) A person that owns or that is the legal holder of an acknowledgment form issued by a depositor for qualified grain.

(c) "Michigan certification of origination statement" means a signed statement from a depositor or producer on an acknowledgement form that deposited qualified grain was grown and harvested in this state.

(d) "Qualified distilled spirits" means distilled spirits manufactured by a qualified small distiller of which at least 40% of the base distillate is distilled from qualified grain grown and harvested in this state.

(e) "Qualified grain" means any of the following:

(i) Dry barley.
(ii) Malted barley.
(iii) Oats.
(iv) A small grain.
(v) A cereal grain.
(vi) Potato.
(vii) Corn.
(viii) Fruit.
(ix) Sugar beets.
(x) Honey.

(f) "Qualified small distiller" means a small distiller or an out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a small distiller certified by the department of agriculture and rural development under this section as having at least 40% of the base distillate used to manufacture spirits that are distilled from qualified grain grown and harvested in this state. The base distillates may be distilled by the small distiller or the out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a small distiller or may be distillates purchased or received and further manufactured in compliance with section 204a.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2020, Act 126, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020; -- Am. 2022, Act 135, Eff. Oct. 5, 2022

436.1235 Search warrant; seizure of property.

Sec. 235.

A search warrant may be issued in accordance with the code of criminal procedure, 1927 PA 175, MCL 760.1 to 776.21. Under such a search warrant the officer may seize any alcoholic liquor, containers, implements, or conveyances used in connection with the violation of this act or any rule promulgated under this act. A property right does not exist in any alcoholic liquor had, kept, transported, or possessed contrary to law or in any receptacle or container of any kind in which the alcoholic liquor is found, and all such are hereby declared contraband and forfeited to the state and shall be seized. All alcoholic liquor, containers, implements, or conveyances seized under any such search warrant shall be turned over to the commission

by direction of the court or magistrate and shall be disposed of in accordance with the rules promulgated under this act, which shall guarantee the return of such property, or payment of money received for the sale of that property, to the owner unless the owner is charged and convicted of the alleged offense or offenses in connection with which the search and seizure was made.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1301 Wine tax; levy and collection; rate; sacramental wines; tax on mixed spirit drink; payment; incorporation of farm mutual cooperative wineries; licensing; fee; certification of stockholders or members; payment of tax by wholesaler; rules.

Sec. 301.

(1) The commission shall levy and collect on all wine containing 16% or less of alcohol by volume sold in this state a tax at the rate of 13.5 cents per liter if sold in bulk and in a like ratio if sold in smaller quantities.
(2) The commission shall levy and collect on all wine containing more than 16% of alcohol by volume sold in this state a tax at the rate of 20 cents per liter if sold in bulk and in a like ratio if sold in smaller quantities.
(3) Sacramental wine is nontaxable when used by churches. A person may import sacramental wine. The commission shall not impose restrictions on importations of wine for sacramental purposes but may promulgate rules to prevent any abuses that result from the importations. A wholesaler or an outstate seller of wine may sell sacramental wine directly to a church for sacramental purposes.
(4) The commission shall levy and collect on all mixed spirit drink sold in this state a tax at the rate of 30 cents per liter if sold in bulk or a like ratio if sold in smaller quantities.
(5) After January 31, 2015, if the wine is manufactured in this state the tax must be paid by the wine maker who manufactured the wine or if the wine is manufactured outside this state the tax must be paid by the wholesaler assigned to distribute that wine.
(6) After January 31, 2015, if the mixed spirit drink is manufactured in this state the tax must be paid by the manufacturer of the mixed spirit drink or if the mixed spirit drink is manufactured outside this state the tax must be paid by the wholesaler assigned to distribute that mixed spirit drink.
(7) On approval by the commission, the department of licensing and regulatory affairs shall incorporate a limited number of farm mutual cooperative wineries as the commission determines to be beneficial to the Michigan grape and fruit industry. These wineries must be licensed under this act and the payment of 1 license fee annually by the corporation authorizes wine making on the premises of the corporation and also on the premises of the grape and fruit growing farmers who are members of or stockholders in the corporation. Upon incorporation of a farmers' cooperative corporation as provided for in this section, the members of or the stockholders in the corporation are certified to be Michigan grape and fruit growing farmers. Wine making by cooperative corporations on farm premises is allowed, but all sales of the wine shall be made by the corporation and from the corporation premises.
(8) A wine maker or manufacturer of a mixed spirit drink may designate a wholesaler to pay the tax on behalf of the wine maker or manufacturer, respectively. If a wine maker or manufacturer designates a wholesaler to pay the tax on its behalf, that wine maker or manufacturer shall notify the commission of the designation and provide the commission with a copy of its report of wine premises operations that it filed with the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau of the United States Department of Treasury for each calendar year. A wholesaler that is responsible for the payment of the tax under this section or that is designated to pay the tax under this section on behalf of the wine maker or manufacturer of the mixed spirit drink is only required to pay the tax on the number of liters actually sold by the wholesaler to licensed retailers.
(9) The commission shall establish by rule a method for the collection of the tax levied in this section and reporting requirements for wholesalers, wine makers, outstate sellers of mixed spirit drink, and outstate sellers of wine to verify the remission of taxes to this state. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the commission shall not require that the tax be paid in less than monthly intervals. Beginning March 15, 2020, the commission shall not require that the tax be paid in less than quarterly intervals. The rules under this subsection must be promulgated pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2014, Act 49, Imd. Eff. Mar. 25, 2014; -- Am. 2020, Act 110, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020;-- Am. 2021, Act 19, Eff. Aug. 23, 2021

Admin Rule: R 436.1001 et seq.; R 436.1701 et seq.; and R 436.1801 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.

436.1303 Grape and wine industry council; creation; to be known as Michigan craft beverage council; appointment, qualifications, and terms of members; chairperson; personnel; expenses; liability on contracts; compensation; books and records; disposition of money received; award and administration of grants; duties and powers of council; rules; lobbying prohibited; exception; establishment of commodity committee; definitions.

Sec. 303.

(1) The grape and wine industry council created under Executive Reorganization Order No. 2014-2, MCL 333.26253, shall be housed within the department of agriculture and rural development. Beginning October 1, 2018, the council shall be known as the Michigan craft beverage council and shall consist of the following members:
   (a) As a nonvoting member, the director of the department of agriculture and rural development or the director's designee and the commission's business manager or the business manager's designee.
   (b) Subject to subsection (2), the following voting members appointed by the governor:
      (i) A representative of retail food establishments that hold a specially designated merchant license and sell Michigan wines or beer.
      (ii) A representative of restaurants that hold a class C license and serve Michigan wines, beer, or spirits.
      (iii) Two representatives of wine makers.
      (iv) A representative of wine makers that primarily manufacture cider.
      (v) A representative of a brewer or micro brewer.
      (vi) One of the following:
         (A) A representative of micro brewers.
         (B) A representative of brewpub license holders.
      (vii) A representative of small distillers.
      (viii) A representative of distillers that manufacture more than 60,000 gallons of spirits per year.
(2) The following apply to a member of the council appointed under subsection (1) (b):
   (a) The member's principal place of business must be located in this state.
   (b) The member must not be a lobbyist or a lobbyist agent as those terms are defined in section 5 of 1978 PA 472, MCL 4.415.
(3) Voting members of the council appointed by the governor under subsection (1) shall serve for terms of 3 years or until a successor is appointed, which is later, except that of the voting members first appointed, 3 shall serve for 1 year, 3 shall serve for 2 years, and 3 shall serve for 3 years. A voting member shall not serve more than 2 consecutive terms. A vacancy on the board shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment. The director of the department of agriculture and rural development is the chairperson of the council.
(4) The council may employ personnel and incur expenses that are necessary to carry out the responsibilities of the council under this act. A member of the council or an employee or agent of the council is not personally liable on the contracts of the council.
(5) A nongovernmental member of the council may receive $50.00 per day for each day spent in actual attendance at meetings of the council and traveling expenses while on council business in accordance with standard travel regulations of the department of technology, management, and budget.
(6) The council shall maintain accurate books and records, and all money received by the council shall be used to implement and enforce this section. The council may accept money from any source for the purpose of carrying out this section. All money received by the council shall be forwarded to the state treasurer for deposit into the Michigan craft beverage council fund created in section 303a.
(7) Subject to an appropriation, the council shall direct the department of agriculture and rural development to award grants for the following:
   (a) Research into both of the following:
      (i) Fruits used in winemaking and wines, including, but not limited to, methods of planting, growing, controlling insects and diseases, charting microclimates and locations for

growing desirable varieties of fruits used in winemaking and wines, marketing, processing, distribution, advertising, sales production, and product development.

(ii) Hops, barley, beer, and spirits, including, but not limited to, methods of planting, growing, controlling insects and diseases, marketing, processing, distribution, advertising, sales, production, and product development.

(b) Projects that do 1 or more of the following:

(i) Provide the wine industry, including growers, wineries, distributors, and retailers, with information relative to proper methods of handling and selling fruits used in winemaking and wines

(ii) Provide the brewing and distilling industries, including growers, brewers, distillers, distributors, and retailers, with information relative to proper methods of handling and selling hops, barley, beer, spirits, and mixed spirit drinks.

(iii) Provide for market surveys and analyses for purposes of expanding existing markets and creating new and larger markets for Michigan agricultural products such as fruits, hops, and barley, that are used in the production of wine, cider, beer, spirits, and mixed spirit drinks.

(iv) Provide for the promotion of the sale of Michigan agricultural products such as fruits, hops, and barley, that are used in the production of wine, cider, beer, spirits, and mixed spirit drinks for the purpose of maintaining or expanding present markets and creating new and larger domestic and foreign markets.

(v) Develop and administer financial aid programs to growers of fruits used in winemaking to encourage the increased planting in this state of desirable fruit varieties in microclimates determined to provide the best conditions for producing quality wines.

(vi) Develop and administer financial aid programs to hops growers to encourage increased planting in this state of desirable hops varieties in microclimates determined to provide the best conditions for producing quality beer.

(vii) Develop and administer financial aid programs to barley growers to encourage increased planting in this state of desirable barley varieties in microclimates determined to provide the best conditions for producing quality beer.

(viii) Establish educational partnerships to benefit the beer, wine, cider, spirits, and mixed spirit drink industries.

(8) The department of agriculture and rural development shall administer the grants awarded under subsection (7).

(9) The council shall do all of the following:

(a) Apply for and accept grants or contributions from the federal government or any of its agencies, the state, or other public or private agencies to be used for any of the purposes of this section and to do any and all things within its express or implied powers necessary or desirable to secure that financial or other aid or cooperation in the carrying out of any of the purposes of this section.

(b) Invite the chief executive officer of the Michigan economic development corporation or his or her designee to attend at least 1 council meeting annually to inform the council about partnership activities and opportunities related to the marketing and promotion of Michigan agricultural products such as fruits, hops, and barley, that are used in the production of wine, cider, beer, spirits, and mixed spirit drinks.

(c) Invite the director of the department of licensing and regulatory affairs to attend at least 1 council meeting annually to inform the council about funding activities affecting the council.

(d) Prepare and adopt an annual budget.

(10) Based upon the information provided to the council under subsection (9)(b) and (c), the council may do either or both of the following:

(a) Take actions that will enhance the marketing and promotion of Michigan agricultural products, such as fruits, hops, and barley, that are used in the production of wine, cider, beer, spirits, and mixed spirit drinks.

(b) Annually review and adopt strategies for marketing and promotion of Michigan agricultural products, such as fruits, hops, and barley, that are used in the production of wine, cider, beer, spirits, and mixed spirit drinks.

(11) The council may promulgate rules in accordance with the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, for the purposes of implementing and enforcing this section.

However, the council shall not promulgate a rule that conflicts with a rule promulgated by the commission under section 215.

(12) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the council shall not engage in lobbying. This subsection does not prohibit the council or a council member or council employee from providing technical information to the legislature or to the department of agriculture and rural development, regardless of whether the council, council member, or council employee is appearing before an officially convened legislative committee or department of agriculture and rural development hearing panel, if the technical information is related to the council's duties under this section.

(13) This section does not prevent the council from establishing a commodity committee under the agriculture commodities marketing act, 1965 PA 232, MCL 290.651 to 290.674.

(14) As used in this section:

(a) "Cider" means an alcoholic beverage made from the fermentation of juice from primarily apples or pears, or both, which contains not less than 1/2 of 1% and nor more than 8.5% of alcohol by volume. Cider may be still or carbonated and may contain other fruits, spices, botanicals, or other flavors.

(b) "Council" means the Michigan craft beverage council described in subsection (1).

(c) "Lobbying" means that term as defined in section 5 of 1978 PA 472, MCL 4.415.

(d) "Technical information" means that term as defined in section 5 of 1978 PA 472, MCL 4.415.

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Compiler's Notes: For transfer of powers and duties of the grape and wine industry council to the new grape and wine industry council, and abolishment of grape and wine industry council, see E.R.O. No. 2014-2, compiled at MCL 333.26253.

436.1303a Michigan craft beverage council fund; creation; receipt of money or other assets; deposit; investment; interest and earnings; money remaining at close of fiscal year; expenditure; "Michigan craft beverage council" defined.

Sec. 303a

(1) The Michigan craft beverage council fund is created within the state treasury.

(2) The state treasurer may receive money or other assets from any source for deposit into the Michigan craft beverage council fund. The state treasurer shall direct the investment of the Michigan craft beverage council fund. The state treasure shall credit to the Michigan craft beverage council fund interest and earnings from fund investments.

(3) Money in the Michigan craft beverage council fund at the close of the fiscal year must remain in the fund and must not lapse to the general fund. However, for the fiscal year ending September 20, 2020, $476,500.00 of the money in the Michigan craft beverage council fund is transferred to and must be deposited into the general fund.

(4) Subject to subsection (5), money from the Michigan craft beverage council fund shall be expended annually, upon appropriation, for the following:

(a) Not more than $80,000.00 may be used by the department of agriculture and rural development to administer the grants program under section 303.

(b) Not less than 50% of the money that is expended after the expenditure under subdivision (a) shall be used for grants under section 303(7)(a).

(c) For grants under section 303(7)(b).

(d) For the Michigan craft beverage council to carry out its responsibilities under this act.

(5) Notwithstanding subsection (4), if the Michigan craft beverage council receives money under section 303(9)(a), the money may be expended for the purposes and subject to the conditions for which it was received.

(6) As used in this section, "Michigan craft beverage council" means the Michigan craft beverage council created in section 303.

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436.1305 Wine industry; purpose of section; reasons for regulation; definitions; prohibited conduct; servicing impacted sales territory; termination, cancellation, nonrenewal, or discontinuance of agreement; burden; notice; test marketing; sales and distribution; transfer of wholesaler's business; compensation for diminished value of wholesaler's business; arbitration; costs; default; waiver; good faith dispute settlement; agreement binding on successor to supplier; agreements to which section applicable; civil action for actual damages; liability; action for declaratory judgment; exemplary damages; injunctive relief; procedure for resolving violations.

Sec. 305.

(1) The purpose of this section is to provide a structure for the business relations between a wholesaler of wine or mixed spirit drink and a supplier of wine or mixed spirit drink. Regulation in this area is considered necessary for the following reasons:
   (a) To maintain stability and healthy competition in the wine and mixed spirit drink industry in this state.
   (b) To promote and maintain a sound, stable, and viable 3-tier distribution system of wine and mixed spirit drink to the public.
   (c) To recognize the marketing distinctions between beer, wine, and mixed spirit drink.
   (d) To promote the public health, safety, and welfare.

(2) As used in this section, unless the context requires otherwise:
   (a) "Agreement" means any agreement between a wholesaler and a supplier, whether oral or written, whereby a wholesaler is granted the right to offer and sell a brand or brands of wine or mixed spirit drink sold by a supplier.
   (b) "Ancillary business" means a business owned by a wholesaler, a stockholder of a wholesaler, or a partner of a wholesaler the primary purpose of which is directly related to the transporting, storing, or marketing of the brand or brands of wine or mixed spirit drink of a supplier with whom the wholesaler has an agreement; or a business owned by a wholesaler, a stockholder of a wholesaler, or a partner of a wholesaler that recycles empty returnable beverage containers.
   (c) "Designated member" means the spouse, child, grandchild, parent, brother, or sister of a deceased individual who owned an interest in a wholesaler, who is entitled to inherit the deceased individual's ownership interest in the wholesaler under the terms of the deceased individual's will, or who has otherwise been designated in writing by the deceased individual to succeed the deceased individual in the wholesaler's business, or is entitled to inherit that ownership interest under the laws of intestate succession of this state. With respect to an incapacitated individual owning an ownership interest in a wholesaler, the term means the person appointed by a court as the conservator of that individual's property. The term also includes the appointed and qualified personal representative and the testamentary trustee of a deceased individual owning an ownership interest in a wholesaler.
   (d) "Good faith" means honesty in fact and the observance of reasonable commercial standards of fair dealing in the trade, as defined and interpreted under section 11201 of the uniform commercial code, 1962 PA 174, MCL 440.1201.
   (e) "Master distributor" means a wholesaler that acts in the same or similar capacity as a wine maker, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, an outstate seller of wine, or an outstate seller of mixed spirit drink for a brand or brands of wine or mixed spirit drink to other wholesalers on a regular basis in the normal course of business.
   (f) "Reasonable qualifications" means the average standard of the criteria used by the respective supplier for wholesalers that entered into or renewed an agreement with the suppliers during a period of 24 months before the proposed transfer of the wholesaler's business.
   (g) "Retaliatory action" means action that includes, but is not limited to, the refusal to continue an agreement, or a material reduction in the quality of service or quantity of products available to a wholesaler under an agreement, which refusal or reduction is not made in good faith.
   (h) "Sales territory" means an area of sales responsibility for the brand or brands of wine or mixed spirit drink sold by a supplier as designated by an agreement.
   (i) "Successor" means a supplier that obtains, in any manner from any person, including a person that is not a supplier, the distribution rights of 1 or more brands of wine or mixed spirit drink

that a licensed Michigan wholesaler has distributed in this state under an agreement with another supplier, that previously had the distribution rights for the brand or brands.

(j) “Supplier” means a wine maker, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, an outstate seller of wine, and outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or a master distributor.

(k) “Transfer of a wholesaler's business” means the voluntary sale, assignment, or other transfer of the business or control of the business of the wholesaler, including the sale or other transfer of stock or assets by merger, consolidation, or dissolution.

(3) A supplier shall not do any of the following:

(a) Coerce, or attempt to coerce, a wholesaler to accept delivery of any wine, mixed spirit drink, or other commodity that has not been ordered by the wholesaler. However, a supplier may impose reasonable inventory requirements on a wholesaler if the requirements are made in good faith and are generally applied to other wholesalers having an agreement with the supplier.

(b) Coerce, or attempt to coerce, a wholesaler to accept delivery of any wine, mixed spirit drink, or other commodity ordered by a wholesaler if the order was properly canceled by the wholesaler in accordance with the procedures agreed on by the supplier and wholesaler.

(c) Coerce, or attempt to coerce, a wholesaler to do any illegal act by threatening to amend, cancel, terminate, or refuse to renew any agreement existing between the supplier and wholesaler.

(d) Require a wholesaler to assent to any condition, stipulation, or provision limiting the wholesaler's right to sell the brand or brands of wine or mixed spirit drink of any other supplier anywhere in this state unless the acquisition of the brand or brands of another supplier would materially impair the quality of service of the brand or brands of the supplier presently being sold by the wholesaler.

(e) Require a wholesaler to purchase 1 or more brands of wine or mixed spirit drink in order for the wholesaler to purchase another brand or brands of wine or mixed spirit drink for any reason. However, a wholesaler that has agreed to distribute a brand or brands before June 26, 1984 shall continue to distribute the brand or brands in conformance with this section.

(f) Request a wholesaler to submit profit and loss statements, balance sheets, or financial records as a requirement for renewing or retaining an agreement.

(g) Withhold delivery of wine or mixed spirit drink ordered by a wholesaler, or change a wholesaler's quota of a brand or brands if the withholding or change is not made in good faith.

(h) Require a wholesaler by any means to participate in or contribute to any local or national advertising fund controlled directly or indirectly by a supplier.

(i) Fail to provide each wholesaler of the supplier's brand or brands with a written agreement that contains in total the supplier’s agreement with each wholesaler, and designates a specific sales territory.

(j) Fix, maintain, or establish the price at which a wholesaler shall sell any wine or mixed spirit drink.

(k) Take any retaliatory action against a wholesaler that files a complaint regarding an alleged violation by the supplier of state or federal law or an administrative rule.

(l) Require or prohibit any change in the manager or successor manager of any wholesaler that has been approved by the supplier as of June 26, 1984. If, after June 26, 1984, a supplier requires a manager or successor manager be appointed, or if a wholesaler changes an approved manager or successor manager, a supplier shall not interfere with or prohibit the appointment unless the person fails to meet the reasonable written standards for Michigan wholesalers of the supplier that have been provided to the wholesaler.

(m) Require by a provision of any agreement or other instrument in connection with the agreement that any dispute arising out of or in connection with that agreement be determined through the application of any other state's laws. Any supplier or wholesaler aggrieved by any dispute arising out of or in connection with an agreement governed by this act has the right to file an appropriate action consistent with this act in any court in this state having venue.

(4) A wholesaler shall not sell or deliver wine or mixed spirit drink to a retail licensee located outside the sales territory designated by the supplier of a particular brand or brands of wine or mixed spirit drink. However, during periods of temporary service interruptions impacting a particular sales territory, a wholesaler that normally services the impacted sales territory shall file with the commission a written notice designating the specific wholesaler or wholesalers that will service the sales territory during the period of temporary service interruption and the approximate length of time of the service interruption. When the temporary service interruption is over, the wholesaler that normally services the sales territory shall notify in writing the commission and the wholesaler, or wholesalers, which is servicing the sales territory on a temporary basis of this fact and any wholesaler servicing the sales territory on a temporary basis shall cease servicing the sales territory upon receipt of the notice.

A wholesaler that is designated to service the impacted sales territory during the period of temporary service shall not be in violation of this subsection.

A wholesaler that has been designated to service the impacted sales territory during the period of temporary service interruption does not have any of the rights provided under subsections (6) to (12).

(5) A supplier or wholesaler shall not directly or indirectly restrict or inhibit the right of free association among suppliers or wholesalers for any lawful purpose.

(6) Notwithstanding the terms, provisions, or conditions of any agreement, a supplier shall not amend any agreement unless the supplier is acting in good faith in making the amendment.

(7) Notwithstanding any agreement and except as otherwise provided for in this section, a supplier shall not cause a wholesaler to resign from an agreement; or cancel, terminate, fail to renew, or refuse to continue under an agreement unless the supplier has complied with all of the following:
   (a) Has satisfied the applicable notice requirements of subsection (10).
   (b) Has acted in good faith.
   (c) Has good cause for the cancellation, termination, nonrenewal, discontinuance, or forced resignation.

(8) Notwithstanding any agreement, good cause shall exist for the purposes of a termination, cancellation, nonrenewal, or discontinuance under subsection (7)(c) when all of the following occur:
   (a) The wholesaler fails to comply with a provision of the agreement that is both reasonable and of material significance to the business relationship between the wholesaler and the supplier.
   (b) The supplier first acquired knowledge of the failure described in subdivision (a) not more than 2 years before the date notification was given under subsection (7).
   (c) The wholesaler was given written notice by the supplier of failure to comply with the agreement.
   (d) The wholesaler was afforded a reasonable opportunity to assert good faith efforts to comply with the agreement within the time limits as provided for in subdivision (e).
   (e) The wholesaler has been afforded 25 days in which to submit a plan of corrective action to comply with the agreement and an additional 75 days to cure the noncompliance in accordance with the plan.

(9) A supplier or wholesaler who terminates, cancels, nonrenews, or discontinues an agreement has the burden of showing that it has acted in good faith, complied with the applicable notice requirements under this section, and that there was good cause for the termination, cancellation, nonrenewal, or discontinuance.

(10) Notwithstanding any agreement and except as otherwise provided in this section, a supplier must furnish written notice of a termination, cancellation, nonrenewal, or discontinuance of an agreement to the wholesaler not less than 15 days before the effective date of the termination, cancellation, nonrenewal, or discontinuance. The notice shall be by certified mail and must contain all of the following:
   (a) A statement of intention to terminate, cancel, not renew, or discontinue the agreement.
   (b) A statement of the reason for the termination, cancellation, nonrenewal, or discontinuance.
   (c) The effective date of the termination, cancellation, nonrenewal, or discontinuance.

(11) Notwithstanding subsections (7) and (10), a supplier may immediately terminate, cancel, not renew, or discontinue an agreement on written notice given in the manner and containing the information required by subsection (10) if any of the following occur:
   (a) Insolvency of the wholesaler, the filing of any petition by or against the wholesaler under any bankruptcy or receivership law, or the dissolution or liquidation of the wholesaler that materially affects the wholesaler's ability to remain in business.
   (b) The commission revokes wholesaler's license whereby the wholesaler cannot service the wholesaler's sales territory for more than 60 days.

(c) The wholesaler, or an individual who owns more than 10% of the stock of a corporate wholesaler, is convicted of a felony. However, an existing approved stockholder has the right to purchase the stock of the offending stockholder before the conviction of the offending stockholder, and if the sale is completed before conviction, this subdivision does not apply. As used in this subdivision, “felony” means a felony under the United States code or the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(12) Notwithstanding subsections (7), (10), and (11), upon not less than 15 days' prior written notice given in the manner and containing the information required by subsection (10), a supplier may terminate, cancel, not renew, or discontinue an agreement if any of the following events occur:
   (a) There was fraudulent conduct on the part of the wholesaler in dealings with the supplier.
   (b) The wholesaler failed to confine its sales of a brand or brands to the assigned sales territory. This subdivision does not apply if there is a dispute between 2 or more wholesalers as to the boundaries of the assigned territory, and the boundaries cannot be determined by a reading of the description contained in the agreements between the supplier and the wholesalers.
   (c) The sale by the wholesaler of any brand or brands sold by the supplier to the wholesaler that the wholesaler knew were ineligible for sale before the actual sale to the retailer. The supplier shall repurchase the ineligible product from the wholesaler when the ineligibility is caused by the supplier. The supplier must give the wholesaler written notice specifying the ineligible product.

(13) Notwithstanding subsections (7), (10), (11), and (12), a supplier may terminate, cancel, not renew, or discontinue an agreement upon not less than 30 days' prior written notice if the supplier discontinues production or discontinues distribution in this state of all the brands sold by the supplier to the wholesaler. Nothing in this section prohibits a supplier upon not less than 30 days' notice to discontinue the distribution of any particular brand or package of wine or mixed spirit drink. This subsection does not prohibit a supplier from conducting test marketing of a new brand of wine or from conducting the test marketing of a brand of wine or mixed spirit drink that is not currently being sold in this state provided that the supplier has notified the commission in writing of its plans to test market. The notice must describe the market area in which the test must be conducted; the name or names of the wholesaler or wholesalers who will be selling the wine or mixed spirit drink; the name or names of the brand of wine or mixed spirit drink being tested; and the period of time during which the testing will take place. A market testing period must not exceed 18 months.

(14) A wholesaler shall devote reasonable efforts and resources to sales and distribution of all the supplier's products that the wholesaler has been granted the right to sell and distribute and shall maintain reasonable sales levels.

(15) A supplier shall not withhold consent to any transfer of a wholesaler's business if the proposed transferee meets the material and reasonable qualifications and standards required by the supplier. A wholesaler shall give the supplier written notice of intent to transfer the wholesaler's business. A supplier shall not unreasonably delay a response to a request for a proposed transfer of a wholesaler's business. However, a transfer of a wholesaler's business that is not approved by the supplier is void. A supplier shall not interfere with, or prevent, the transfer of the wholesaler's business if the proposed transferee is a designated member.

(16) A supplier as part of the written agreement required by this section may, subject to the provisions of subsection (3)(l), require a wholesaler to designate a successor manager who shall be subject to prior approval by the supplier. If the designated successor manager fails to assume the role of approved manager or for any reason does not continue to manage the wholesaler's business, after assuming that responsibility, then any successor shall be subject to the prior approval of the supplier, subject to the provisions of subsection (3)(l), notwithstanding the transferee's interest as a designated member.

(17) A supplier that has amended, canceled, terminated, or refused to renew any agreement; has caused a wholesaler to resign from an agreement; or has withheld consent to any assignment or transfer of a wholesaler's business, except as provided for in this section, shall pay the wholesaler reasonable compensation for the diminished value of the wholesaler's business or of any ancillary business which has been negatively affected by the act of the supplier, or both. The value of the wholesaler's business or ancillary business must include, but not be limited to, its goodwill.

(18) A supplier or wholesaler may, at any time, determine that mutual agreement on the amount of reasonable compensation cannot be reached. If such a determination is made, the supplier or the wholesaler shall send written notice to the other party declaring their intention to proceed with arbitration. Arbitration may proceed only by mutual agreement of both parties.

(19) The supplier and wholesaler may, by agreement, submit the matter of determining the amount of compensation under arbitration to a 5-member arbitration panel consisting of 2 representatives selected by the supplier but unassociated with the affected supplier, 2 wholesaler representatives selected by the wholesaler but unassociated with the wholesaler, and an impartial arbitrator.

(20) Not more than 10 days after the notice to enter into arbitration has been sent, the supplier and wholesaler shall request, in writing, a list of 5 arbitrators from the American arbitration association. Not more than 10 days after the supplier and wholesaler receive the list of 5 choices, the wholesaler arbitrators and the supplier arbitrators may strike and disqualify up to 2 names each from the list. If the supplier or wholesaler fails to respond within the 10 days or if more than 1 name remains, the American arbitration association shall select the impartial arbitrator.

(21) Not more than 30 days after the supplier and wholesaler receive the list of arbitrators, the wholesaler and supplier shall exchange in writing the names of their respective arbitration panel representatives.

(22) Not more than 30 days after the final selection of the arbitration panel is made, the arbitration panel shall convene to decide the dispute. The panel shall render a decision by majority vote of the participants within 20 days after the arbitration concludes.

(23) The cost of the impartial arbitrator, the stenographer, and the meeting site must be equally divided between the wholesaler and the supplier. All other costs must be paid by the party incurring them. The award of the arbitration panel shall be final and binding on the parties.

(24) If the supplier or wholesaler fails to abide by the time limitations as prescribed in subsections (20), (21), and (22), or fails or refuses to select any arbitrators, or fails to participate in the arbitration hearings, the other party shall make the selection of their arbitrators and proceed to arbitration. The party who has failed or refused to comply as prescribed in this subsection is considered to be in default. Any party considered to be in default under this subsection waives any and all rights the party would have had in the arbitration and is considered to have consented to the determination of the arbitration panel.

(25) A wholesaler shall not waive any of the rights granted in this section. This section does not limit or prohibit a good faith dispute settlement voluntarily entered into by the parties.

(26) A successor to a supplier that continues in business as a wine maker, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, an outstate seller of wine, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or master distributor is bound by all terms and conditions of each agreement of the supplier with a wholesaler licensed in this state that were in effect on the date on which the successor received the distribution rights of the previous supplier.

(27) This section applies to agreements in existence on June 26, 1984, as well as agreements entered into or renewed after that date.

(28) If a supplier engages in conduct prohibited under this section, a wholesaler with which the supplier has an agreement may maintain a civil action against the supplier to recover actual damages reasonably incurred as the result of the prohibited conduct. If a wholesaler engages in conduct prohibited under this section, a supplier with which the wholesaler has an agreement may maintain a civil action against the wholesaler to recover actual damages reasonably incurred as the result of the prohibited conduct.

(29) A supplier that violates this section is liable for all actual damages and all court costs and reasonable attorney fees incurred by a wholesaler as a result of that violation. A wholesaler that violates this section is liable for all actual damages and all court costs and reasonable attorney fees incurred by the supplier as a result of that violation.

(30) A supplier or wholesaler may bring an action for declaratory judgment for determination of any controversy arising under this section.

(31) Except as otherwise provided in this section, if a court finds that a supplier has not acted in good faith in amending, terminating, canceling, or not renewing any agreement; or has unreasonably withheld its consent to any assignment, transfer, or sale of a wholesaler's business, the court may award exemplary damages, as well as actual damages, court costs, and reasonable attorney fees to the wholesaler that has been damaged by the action of the supplier.

(32) On proper application to a court, a supplier or wholesaler may obtain injunctive relief against any violation of this section. If the court grants injunctive relief or issues a temporary restraining order, bond is not required to be posted.

(33) The procedure for resolving any violation of subsection (3)(a), (b), (c), (e), (f), (h), (i), (j), (k), (l), or (4) is the procedure prescribed by this act and the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328. Any other violation of or dispute regarding this section, unless the

dispute is resolved pursuant to subsections (18) to (24), must only be resolved by a civil action in court as provided in this section and not by the commission.

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436.1307 Sales territory.

Sec. 307.

(1) A manufacturer, an outstate seller of wine, and a master distributor shall grant to each of its wholesalers a sales territory within which the wholesaler is a distributor of the specified brand or brands of the manufacturer, outstate seller of wine, or master distributor under an agreement as required under this act. The territory is the territory agreed on between the wholesaler and manufacturer, outstate seller of wine, or master distributor. Except as provided for in subsection (9) and beginning June 1, 2010, a manufacturer, outstate seller of wine, or master distributor shall not grant the right to sell a specified brand or brands of wine in a sales territory to more than 1 wine wholesaler. A master distributor shall not itself distribute a specified brand or brands of wine in the same sales territory where that master distributor has granted the right to distribute that specified brand or brands of wine in that sales territory to another wine wholesaler.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), a brand extension is not a new or different brand. A manufacturer or outstate seller of wine shall assign a brand extension to the wholesaler that was granted the sales territory for the brand from which the brand extension resulted.

(3) Subsection (2) does not apply if, before January 1, 1994, a manufacturer or outstate seller of wine had assigned a brand extension to a wholesaler that was not the appointed wholesaler for the brand from which the brand extension was made.

(4) Subsection (2) does not apply if, before October 1, 2019, a successor manufacturer or successor outstate seller of wine had assigned a brand extension to a wholesaler that was not the appointed wholesaler for the brand from which the extension was made.

(5) A manufacturer of a mixed wine drink, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, outstate seller of a mixed wine drink, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink shall grant to each of its wholesalers an exclusive sales territory in which the wholesaler is a distributor of the specified brand or brands of the manufacturer or outstate seller. The territory is the territory agreed on between the wholesaler and the manufacturer of a mixed wine drink, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, outstate seller of mixed wine drinks, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink.

(6) Notwithstanding subsection (5), a brand extension is not a new or different brand. A manufacturer of a mixed wine drink, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, outstate seller of a mixed wine drink, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink shall assign a brand extension to the wholesaler that was granted the exclusive sales territory for the brand from which the brand extension resulted.

(7) Subsection (6) does not apply if, before January 1, 1994, a manufacturer of a mixed wine drink, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, outstate seller of a mixed wine drink, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink had assigned a brand extension to a wholesaler that was not the appointed wholesaler for the brand from which the brand extension was made.

(8) Subsection (6) does not apply if, before October 1, 2019, a successor manufacturer or successor outstate seller of mixed wine drink or mixed spirit drink had assigned a brand extension to a wholesaler that was not the appointed wholesaler for the brand from which the brand extension was made.

(9) Subsection (1) does not prohibit any of the following:

(a) A manufacturer of wine, an outstate seller of wine, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or a master distributor from continuing or renewing an agreement under this act with a wholesaler for a specified brand or brands for any county or part of a county where more than 1 wholesaler has an agreement with the manufacturer of wine, outstate seller of wine, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or master distributor in effect on June 1, 2010 if the wholesaler had an agreement to distribute that specified brand or brands in that county or that part of a county and was a master distributor or was actively selling that brand or brands of wine or mixed spirit drink to a retailer in that county or that part of a county on June 1, 2010.

(b) A wholesaler from selling or transferring the wholesaler's distribution rights or a manufacturer of wine, outstate seller of wine, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or master distributor from approving the sale or transfer of a wholesaler's distribution

rights to a specified brand or brands of wine or mixed spirit drink for any county or part of a county to another wholesaler if the selling or transferring wholesaler, or any of its predecessors, had the right to distribute that brand or brands of wine or mixed spirit drink in that county or part of that county and was actively selling that brand or brands to a retailer in that county or that part of a county on June 1, 2010 or was acting as a master distributor for that county or part of that county on June 1, 2010.

(10) As used in this section, "master distributor" means, notwithstanding section 109(4), a wholesaler that acts in the same or similar capacity as a wine maker, wine manufacturer, outstate seller of wine mixed spirit drink manufacturer, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, for a brand or brands of wine or mixed spirit drink to other wholesalers on a regular basis in the normal course of business.

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CHAPTER 4

436.1401 Wholesalers to be granted exclusive sales territory by manufacturer and outstate seller of beer and malt beverages.

Sec. 401.

(1) A manufacturer and outstate seller of beer and malt beverages shall grant to each of its wholesalers an exclusive sales territory, as agreed on between the wholesaler and manufacturer or outstate seller of beer, within which the wholesaler is the exclusive distributor of the specified brand or brands of the manufacturer or outstate seller of beer.
(2) If the manufacturer or outstate seller manufactures or supplies more than 1 brand of beer or malt beverage, the manufacturer or outstate seller may grant exclusive sales territories to different wholesalers for the sale of the different brand or brands.
(3) Notwithstanding subsection (2), a brand extension is not considered a new or different brand. A manufacturer or outstate seller of beer or malt beverages shall assign a brand extension to the wholesaler that was granted the exclusive sales territory to the brand from which the brand extension resulted.
(4) Subsection (3) does not apply if, before January 1, 1994, a manufacturer or outstate seller of beer or malt beverages had assigned a brand extension to a wholesaler that was not the appointed wholesaler for the brand from which the brand extension was made.
(5) Subsection (3) does not apply if, before October 1, 2019, a successor manufacturer or successor outstate seller of beer or malt beverages had assigned a brand extension to a wholesaler that was not the appointed wholesaler for the brand from which the brand extension was made.
(6) The sales territory under this section is the territory agreed upon between the wholesaler and manufacturer or outstate seller of beer.

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436.1403 Beer industry; purpose of section; reasons for regulation; definitions; prohibited conduct; termination, cancellation, nonrenewal, or discontinuance of agreement; burden; notice; test marketing; sales and distribution; additional agreement prohibited; transfer of wholesaler's business; compensation for diminished value of wholesaler's business; arbitration; costs; default; waiver; good faith dispute settlement; agreement binding on successor to supplier; agreements to which section applicable; civil action for actual damages; liability; action for declaratory judgment; exemplary damages; injunctive relief; procedure for resolving violations.

Sec. 403.

(1) The purpose of this section is to provide a structure for the business relations between a wholesaler of beer and a supplier of beer. Regulation in this area is considered necessary for the following reasons:
   (a) To maintain stability and healthy competition in the beer industry in this state.
   (b) To promote and maintain a sound, stable, and viable 3-tier system of distribution of beer to the public.
   (c) To promote the public health, safety, and welfare.
(2) As used in this section, unless the context requires otherwise:
   (a) "Agreement" means any agreement between a wholesaler and a supplier, whether oral or written, whereby a wholesaler is granted the right to offer and sell a brand or brands of beer sold by a supplier.
   (b) "Ancillary business" means a business owned by a wholesaler, a stockholder of a wholesaler, or a partner of a wholesaler the primary purpose of which is directly related to the transporting, storing, or marketing of the brand or brands of beer of a supplier with whom the wholesaler has an agreement; or a business owned by a wholesaler, a stockholder of a wholesaler, or a partner of a wholesaler which recycles empty returnable beverage containers.

(c) “Designated member” means the spouse, child, grandchild, parent, brother, or sister of a deceased individual who owned an interest in a wholesaler, who is entitled to inherit the deceased individual's ownership interest in the wholesaler under the terms of the deceased individual's will, or who has otherwise been designated in writing by the deceased individual to succeed the deceased individual in the wholesaler's business, or is entitled to inherit such ownership interest under the laws of intestate succession of this state. With respect to an incapacitated individual owning an ownership interest in a wholesaler, the term means the person appointed by a court as the conservator of such individual's property. The term also includes the appointed and qualified personal representative and the testamentary trustee of a deceased individual owning an ownership interest in a wholesaler.

(d) “Good faith” means honesty in fact and the observance of reasonable commercial standards of fair dealing in the trade, as defined and interpreted under section 2103 of the uniform commercial code, 1962 PA 174, MCL 440.2103.

(e) “Master distributor” means a wholesaler who acts in the same or similar capacity as a brewer or outstate seller of beer for a brand or brands of beer to other wholesalers on a regular basis in the normal course of business.

(f) “Reasonable qualifications” means the average standard of the criteria used by the respective supplier for wholesalers that entered into or renewed an agreement with the supplier during a period of 24 months prior to the proposed transfer of the wholesaler's business.

(g) “Retaliatory action” means action which includes, but is not limited to, the refusal to continue an agreement, or a material reduction in the quality of service or quantity of products available to a wholesaler under an agreement, which refusal or reduction is not made in good faith.

(h) “Sales territory” means an area of exclusive sales responsibility for the brand or brands of beer sold by a supplier as designated by an agreement.

(i) “Successor” means a supplier who obtains, in any manner from any person, including a person who is not a supplier, the distribution rights of 1 or more brands of beer which a licensed Michigan wholesaler has distributed in this state pursuant to an agreement with another supplier who previously had the distribution rights for the brand or brands.

(j) “Supplier” means a brewer, an outstate seller of beer, or a master distributor.

(k) “Transfer of a wholesaler's business” means the voluntary sale, assignment, or other transfer of the business or control of the business of the wholesaler, including the sale or other transfer of stock or assets by merger, consolidation, or dissolution.

(3) A supplier shall not do any of the following:

(a) Coerce, or attempt to coerce, any wholesaler to accept delivery of any beer or other commodity which has not been ordered by the wholesaler. However, a supplier may impose reasonable inventory requirements upon a wholesaler if the requirements are made in good faith and are generally applied to other wholesalers having an agreement with the supplier.

(b) Coerce, or attempt to coerce, any wholesaler to accept delivery of any beer or other commodity ordered by a wholesaler if the order was properly canceled by the wholesaler in accordance with the procedures agreed upon by the supplier and wholesaler.

(c) Coerce, or attempt to coerce, any wholesaler to do any illegal act by threatening to amend, cancel, terminate, or refuse to renew any agreement existing between the supplier and wholesaler.

(d) Require a wholesaler to assent to any condition, stipulation, or provision limiting the wholesaler's right to sell the brand or brands of beer of any other supplier anywhere in this state unless the acquisition of the brand or brands of another supplier would materially impair the quality of service of the brand or brands of the supplier presently being sold by the wholesaler.

(e) Require a wholesaler to purchase 1 or more brands of beer in order for the wholesaler to purchase another brand or brands of beer for any reason. However, a wholesaler that has agreed to distribute a brand or brands before June 26, 1984 shall continue to distribute the brand or brands in conformance with this section.

(f) Request a wholesaler to submit profit and loss statements, balance sheets, or financial records as a requirement for renewing or retaining an agreement.

(g) Withhold delivery of beer ordered by a wholesaler, or change a wholesaler's quota of a brand or brands if the withholding or change is not made in good faith.

(h) Require a wholesaler by any means to participate in or contribute to any local or national advertising fund controlled directly or indirectly by a supplier.

(i) Fail to provide each wholesaler of the supplier's brand or brands with a written agreement which contains, in total, the supplier's agreement with each wholesaler and which designates a specific sales territory. Any agreement which is in existence on June 26, 1984 shall be renewed consistent with this section, except that this section may be incorporated by reference in the agreement.

(j) Fix, maintain, or establish the price at which a wholesaler shall sell any beer.

(k) Take any retaliatory action against a wholesaler that files a complaint regarding an alleged violation by the supplier of state or federal law or an administrative rule.

(l) Require or prohibit any change in the manager or successor manager of any wholesaler who has been approved by the supplier as of June 26, 1984. Should a wholesaler change an approved manager or successor manager, a supplier shall not require or prohibit the change unless the person fails to meet the reasonable written standards for Michigan wholesalers of the supplier which standards have been provided to the wholesaler.

(m) Require by a provision of any agreement or other instrument in connection with the agreement that any dispute arising out of or in connection with that agreement be determined through the application of any other state's laws, be determined in federal court sitting in a state other than Michigan, or be determined in a state court of a state other than the state of Michigan. A provision contained in any agreement or other instrument in connection with the agreement which contravenes this subdivision shall be null and void.

(4) A wholesaler shall not sell or deliver beer to a retail licensee located outside the sales territory designated by the supplier of a particular brand or brands of beer. However, during periods of temporary service interruptions impacting a particular sales territory, a wholesaler who normally services the impacted sales territory shall file with the commission a written notice designating the specific wholesaler or wholesalers who will service the sales territory during the period of temporary service interruption and the approximate length of time of the service interruption. When the temporary service interruption is over, the wholesaler who normally services the sales territory shall notify in writing the commission and the wholesaler, or wholesalers, which is servicing the sales territory on a temporary basis of this fact and any wholesaler servicing the sales territory on a temporary basis shall cease servicing the sales territory upon receipt of the notice.

A wholesaler who is designated to service the impacted sales territory during the period of temporary service shall not be in violation of this subsection.

A wholesaler who has been designated to service the impacted sales territory during the period of temporary service interruption shall not have any of the rights provided under subsections (6) to (12).

(5) A supplier or wholesaler shall not restrict or inhibit, directly or indirectly, the right of free association among suppliers or wholesalers for any lawful purpose.

(6) Notwithstanding the terms, provisions, or conditions of any agreement, a supplier shall not amend any agreement unless the supplier is acting in good faith in making the amendment.

(7) Notwithstanding any agreement and except as otherwise provided for in this section, a supplier shall not cause a wholesaler to resign from an agreement; or cancel, terminate, fail to renew, or refuse to continue under an agreement unless the supplier has complied with all of the following:

(a) Has satisfied the applicable notice requirements of subsection (10).

(b) Has acted in good faith.

(c) Has good cause for the cancellation, termination, nonrenewal, discontinuance, or forced resignation.

(8) Notwithstanding any agreement, good cause shall exist for the purposes of a termination, cancellation, nonrenewal, or discontinuance under subsection (7)(c) when all of the following occur:

(a) There is a failure by the wholesaler to comply with a provision of the agreement which is both reasonable and of material significance to the business relationship between the wholesaler and the supplier.

(b) The supplier first acquired knowledge of the failure described in subdivision (a) not more than 2 years before the date notification was given pursuant to subsection (7).

(c) The wholesaler was given written notice by the supplier of failure to comply with the agreement.

(d) The wholesaler was afforded a reasonable opportunity to assert good faith efforts to comply with the agreement within the time limits as provided for in subdivision (e).

(e) The wholesaler has been afforded 30 days in which to submit a plan of corrective action to comply with the agreement and an additional 90 days to cure such noncompliance in accordance with the plan.

(9) For each termination, cancellation, nonrenewal, or discontinuance, the supplier shall have the burden of showing that it has acted in good faith, that the notice requirements under this section have been complied with, and that there was good cause for the termination, cancellation, nonrenewal, or discontinuance.

(10) Notwithstanding any agreement and except as otherwise provided in this section, the supplier shall furnish written notice of the termination, cancellation, nonrenewal, or discontinuance of an agreement to the wholesaler not less than 15 days before the effective date of the termination, cancellation, nonrenewal, or discontinuance. The notice shall be by certified mail and shall contain all of the following:
   (a) A statement of intention to terminate, cancel, not renew, or discontinue the agreement.
   (b) A statement of the reason for the termination, cancellation, nonrenewal, or discontinuance.
   (c) The date on which the termination, cancellation, nonrenewal, or discontinuance takes effect.

(11) Notwithstanding subsections (7) and (10), a supplier may terminate, cancel, fail to renew, or discontinue an agreement upon written notice given in the manner and containing the information required by subsection (10) if any of the following occur:
   (a) Insolvency of the wholesaler, the filing of any petition by or against the wholesaler under any bankruptcy or receivership law, or the dissolution or liquidation of the wholesaler which materially affects the wholesaler's ability to remain in business.
   (b) Revocation of the wholesaler's license by the commission whereby the wholesaler cannot service the wholesaler's sales territory for more than 60 days.
   (c) The wholesaler, or an individual who owns more than 10% of the stock of a corporate wholesaler, has been convicted of a felony. As used in this subdivision, “felony” means a felony under the United States Code or the Michigan Compiled Laws. However, an existing approved stockholder or stockholders shall have the right to purchase the stock of the offending stockholder prior to the conviction of the offending stockholder and, if the sale is completed prior to conviction, the provisions of this subdivision shall not apply.

(12) Notwithstanding subsections (7), (10), and (11), upon not less than 15 days' prior written notice given in the manner and containing the information required by subsection (10), a supplier may terminate, cancel, fail to renew, or discontinue an agreement if any of the following events occur:
   (a) There was fraudulent conduct on the part of the wholesaler in dealings with the supplier.
   (b) The wholesaler failed to confine its sales of a brand or brands to the assigned sales territory. This subdivision does not apply if there is a dispute between 2 or more wholesalers as to the boundaries of the assigned territory, and the boundaries cannot be determined by a reading of the description contained in the agreements between the supplier and the wholesalers.
   (c) The sale by the wholesaler of any brand or brands sold by the supplier to the wholesaler and known by the wholesaler to be ineligible for sale prior to the actual sale to the retailer. The supplier shall repurchase the ineligible product from the wholesaler when the ineligibility is caused by the supplier. The supplier must give the wholesaler written notice specifying the ineligible product. This subdivision does not apply when a supplier ships a brand or brands to a wholesaler that must be removed within 60 days of the deadline for retail sale of the product. This 60-day period shall commence upon receipt of the product by the wholesaler.

(13) Notwithstanding subsections (7), (10), (11), and (12), a supplier may terminate, cancel, not renew, or discontinue an agreement upon not less than 30 days' prior written notice if the supplier discontinues production or discontinues distribution in this state of all the brands sold by the supplier to the wholesaler. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a supplier upon not less than 30 days' notice to discontinue the distribution of any particular brand or package of beer. This subsection does not prohibit a supplier from conducting test marketing of a new brand of beer or from conducting the test marketing of a brand of beer which is not currently being sold in this state provided that the supplier has notified the commission in writing of its plans to test market. The notice shall describe the market area in which the test shall be conducted; the name or names of the wholesaler or wholesalers who will be selling the beer; the name or names of the brand of beer being tested; and the period of time during which the testing will take place. A market testing period shall not exceed 18 months.

(14) The wholesaler shall devote reasonable efforts and resources to sales and distribution of all the supplier's products which the wholesaler has been granted the right to sell and distribute and shall maintain reasonable sales levels.

(15) A brewer, an outstate seller of beer, or a master distributor that has designated a sales territory for a wholesaler shall not enter into an additional agreement with any other wholesaler for the same brand or brands of beer in the same territory or any portion of that territory.

(16)A supplier shall not withhold consent to any transfer of a wholesaler's business if the proposed transferee meets the material and reasonable qualifications and standards required by the supplier. A wholesaler shall give the supplier written notice of intent to transfer the wholesaler's business. A supplier shall not unreasonably delay a response to a request for a proposed transfer of a wholesaler's business. However, a transfer of a wholesaler's business which is not approved by the supplier shall be null and void. A supplier shall not interfere with, or prevent, the transfer of the wholesaler's business if the proposed transferee is a designated member.

(17)A supplier that has amended, canceled, terminated, or refused to renew any agreement; has caused a wholesaler to resign from an agreement; or has withheld consent to any assignment or transfer of a wholesaler's business, except as provided for in this section, shall pay the wholesaler reasonable compensation for the diminished value of the wholesaler's business or of any ancillary business which has been negatively affected by the act of the supplier, or both. The value of the wholesaler's business or ancillary business shall include, but not be limited to, its good will.

(18)Either party may, at any time, determine that mutual agreement on the amount of reasonable compensation cannot be reached. Should such a determination be made, the supplier or the wholesaler shall send written notice to the other party declaring their intention to proceed with arbitration. Arbitration shall proceed only by mutual agreement of both parties.

(19)The matter of determining the amount of compensation under arbitration may, by agreement of the parties, be submitted to a 5-member arbitration panel consisting of 2 representatives selected by the supplier but unassociated with the affected supplier, 2 wholesaler representatives selected by the wholesaler but unassociated with the wholesaler, and an impartial arbitrator.

(20)Not more than 10 days after the notice to enter into arbitration has been sent, each party shall request, in writing, a list of 5 arbitrators from the American arbitration association. Not more than 10 days after the receipt of the list of 5 choices, the wholesaler arbitrators and the supplier arbitrators may strike and disqualify up to 2 names each from the list. Should either party fail to respond within the 10 days or should more than 1 name remain, the American arbitration association shall make the selection of the impartial arbitrator.

(21)Not more than 30 days after the list of arbitrators is received, the wholesaler and supplier shall exchange in writing the names of their respective arbitration panel representatives.

(22)Not more than 30 days after the final selection of the arbitration panel is made, the arbitration panel shall convene to decide the dispute. The panel shall render a decision by majority vote of the participants within 20 days from the conclusion of the arbitration.

(23)The cost of the impartial arbitrator, the stenographer, and the meeting site shall be equally divided between the wholesaler and the supplier. All other costs shall be paid by the party incurring them. The award of the arbitration panel shall be final and binding on the parties.

(24)After both parties have agreed to arbitrate should either party fail to abide by the time limitations as prescribed in subsections (20), (21), and (22), or fail or refuse to make the selection of any arbitrators, or fail to participate in the arbitration hearings, the other party shall make the selection of their arbitrators and proceed to arbitration. The party who has failed or refused to comply as prescribed in this subsection shall be considered to be in default. Any party considered to be in default pursuant to this subsection shall have waived any and all rights the party would have had in the arbitration and shall be considered to have consented to the determination of the arbitration panel.

(25)A wholesaler shall not waive any of the rights granted in any provision of this section. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit or prohibit good faith dispute settlements voluntarily entered into by the parties.

(26)A successor to a supplier that continues in business as a brewer, an outstate seller of beer, or a master distributor shall be bound by all terms and conditions of each agreement of the supplier with a wholesaler licensed in this state that were in effect on the date on which the successor received the distribution rights of the previous supplier.

(27)This section shall apply to agreements in existence on June 26, 1984, as well as agreements entered into or renewed after that date.

(28)If a supplier engages in conduct prohibited under this section, a wholesaler with which the supplier has an agreement may maintain a civil action against the supplier to recover actual damages reasonably incurred as the result of the prohibited conduct. If a wholesaler engages in conduct prohibited under this section, a supplier with which the wholesaler has an agreement may maintain a civil action against the wholesaler to recover actual damages reasonably incurred as the result of the prohibited conduct.

(29)A supplier that violates any provision of this section is liable for all actual damages and all court costs and reasonable attorney fees incurred by a wholesaler as a result of that violation. A wholesaler that violates any provision of this section is liable for all actual damages and all court costs and reasonable attorney fees incurred by the supplier as a result of that violation.

(30)A supplier or wholesaler may bring an action for declaratory judgment for determination of any controversy arising pursuant to this section.

(31)Except as otherwise provided in this section, if a court finds that a supplier has not acted in good faith in effecting an amendment, termination, cancellation, or nonrenewal of any agreement; or has unreasonably withheld its consent to any assignment, transfer, or sale of a wholesaler's business, it may award exemplary damages, as well as actual damages, court costs, and reasonable attorney fees to the wholesaler who has been damaged by the action of the supplier.

(32)Upon proper application to the court, a supplier or wholesaler may obtain injunctive relief against any violation of this section. If the court grants injunctive relief or issues a temporary restraining order, bond shall not be required to be posted.

(33)The procedure for resolving any violation of subsection (3)(a), (b), (c), (e), (f), (h), (i), (j), (k), (l), or (4) shall be the procedure prescribed by this act and the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328. Any other violation of or dispute regarding this section, unless the dispute is resolved pursuant to subsections (18) to (24), shall only be resolved by a civil action in court as provided in this section and not by the commission.

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436.1405 Brewpub license; requirements for issuance.

Sec. 405.

(1) Subject to section 407, the commission shall issue a brewpub license to a person who is licensed as a food service establishment under the food law, 2000 PA 92, MCL 289.1101 to 289.8111, and that at the time of application for the brewpub license is licensed and continues to be licensed as 1 or more of the following:
   (a) Class C.
   (b) Tavern.
   (c) Class A hotel.
   (d) Class B hotel.

(2) A brewpub shall possess the necessary equipment for a satisfactory operation that must be maintained in good working order and in a sanitary condition.

(3) Agricultural products processed by a manufacturer must comply with state law and with rules of the United States Department of Agriculture.

(4) Each location of a brewpub must have a manufacturing operation on the licensed premises that complies with subsection (5). A brewpub shall apply for and obtain a license for each location of the brewpub. In determining the 18,000-barrel threshold, all brands and labels of the brewpub produced in this state must be combined.

(5) Beer must be manufactured under federal malt beverage regulations published in 27 CFR 25.1 to 25.301, which are hereby adopted by reference.

(6) Each brewpub shall submit to the commission, on forms acceptable to the commission and postmarked not later than January 15, April 15, July 15, and October 15 of each year, a beer tax report of all beer sold under its brewpub license during the preceding quarter. Each brewpub shall also submit, with the beer tax report, the payment of the required beer excise tax due under section 409.

(7) A brewpub must be the holder of a “brewers notice” as issued by the United States Department of Treasury, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau in accordance with 27 CFR 25.61 to 25.85.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; Am. 2014, Act 353, Imd. Eff. Oct. 17, 2014; --Am. 2020, act 118, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020

436.1407 Brewpub license; additional requirements; renewal and revocation of license.

Sec. 407.

(1) The commission shall grant a brewpub license to a person that, in addition to complying with section 405, does all of the following:
   (a) Pays the fee as prescribed in section 525.
   (b) Provides evidence to the commission that not less than 25% of the gross sales of the restaurant during the 1-year licensure period are derived from the sale of food and nonalcoholic beverages prepared for consumption on the premises.
   (c) Complies with section 405(3) through (7).

(2) The commission shall renew a brewpub license of a person who does all of the following:
   (a) Pays the fee as prescribed in section 525.
   (b) Provides evidence to the commission that not less than 25% of the gross sales of the restaurant during the 1-year licensure period are derived from the sale of food and nonalcoholic beverages prepared for consumption on the premises.
   (c) Complies with section 405(3) through (7).

(3) The commission shall revoke a brewpub license if, during the 1-year licensure period, less than 25% of the gross sales of the restaurant are derived from the sale of food and nonalcoholic beverages prepared for consumption on the premises.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; --Am. 2020, Act 105, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020

436.1409 Beer; taxation; payment of tax by wholesaler; designation; tax collection and reporting requirements by rule; exemptions; rebate; barrel as containing 31 gallons; rule prohibiting licensees from purchasing, receiving, possessing, or selling beer manufactured in designated states; judicial review; tax credit or refund; "eligible brewer" defined.

Sec. 409.

(1) Except as provided in this section, the commission shall levy and collect a tax on all beer manufactured or sold in this state at the rate of $6.30 per barrel if the beer is sold in bulk or in different quantities. Before February 1, 2015, the tax must be paid by the brewer or brewpub if manufactured in this state or by the wholesaler or the person from whom purchased if manufactured outside this state, whichever is designated by the commission.

(2) Beginning on and after February 1, 2015, the tax under this section must be paid by the brewer or brewpub if the beer is manufactured in this state or if the beer is manufactured outside this state the tax must be paid by the wholesaler assigned to distribute that beer and the tax must be levied and collected on the number of barrels the wholesaler actually sold to licensed retailers in this state. A brewer may designate a wholesaler to pay the tax on behalf of the brewer. If a brewer designates a wholesaler to pay the tax on its behalf, the brewer shall notify the commission of the designation and provide the commission with a copy of its brewer's report of operations that it filed with the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau of the United States Department of Treasury for each calendar year.

(3) The commission shall establish by rule a method for the collection of the tax levied under subsection (1) and reporting requirements for wholesalers, brewers, brewpubs, and outstate sellers of beer to verify the remission of taxes to this state. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the commission shall not require that the tax be paid in less than monthly intervals. Beginning March 15, 2020, the commission shall not require that the tax be paid in less than quarterly intervals. The rules under this section must be promulgated pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.

(4) The tax levied under subsection (1) must not be collected on beer that is consumed on the premises of the manufacturer or is damaged in the process of brewing, packaging, storage, and distribution and is not offered for sale, except that beer sold by a brewpub for consumption on the premises or beer produced and consumed on the premises of a micro brewer is subject to the tax levied under subsection (1).

(5) The tax levied under subsection (1) must be rebated to the person that paid the tax if the person provides satisfactory proof to the commission that the beer was shipped outside of this state for sale and consumption outside this state.
(6) For the purposes of the tax levied under subsection (1), a barrel of beer contains 31 gallons.
(7) The commission may promulgate a rule that designates the states or the laws or the rules of other states that require a licensed wholesaler of beer to pay an additional fee for the right to purchase, import, or sell beer manufactured in this state; that denies the issuance of a license authorizing the importation of beer to any wholesaler of beer in that state who applies for the license; that prohibits wholesalers of beer in that state from possessing or selling beer purchased in this state, unless the person from whom the beer was purchased has secured a license and paid a fee in that state, if the seller does not transport the beer into the state and does not sell the beer in the state; or that imposes any higher taxes or inspection fees on beer manufactured in this state when transporting the beer into or selling the beer in that state than taxes or fees imposed on beer manufactured and sold within that state. A rule promulgated under this subsection must prohibit all licensees from purchasing, receiving, possessing, or selling any beer manufactured in any state designated in the rule. A rule promulgated under this subsection becomes effective as provided in section 47 of the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.247. Any licensee or person adversely affected by a rule promulgated under this subsection is entitled to review by leave to a court of competent jurisdiction regarding the question as to whether the commission acted illegally or in excess of its authority in making its finding under this subsection with respect to any state.
(8) Regardless of whether the tax was remitted to this state by the eligible brewer or a designated wholesaler, an eligible brewer may claim a credit or request a refund, in a manner as determined by the commission, against the tax levied under subsection (1) in the amount of $2.00 per barrel for the first 30,000 barrels. As used in this subsection, "eligible brewer" means a brewer, whether or not located in this state, or brewpub that manufactures not more than 60,000 barrels of beer during the tax year for which the credit is claimed. In determining the number of barrels for purposes of the credit, all brands and labels of a brewer must be combined and all facilities for the production of beer that are owned or controlled by the same person is treated as a single facility.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2000, Act 395, Imd. Eff. Jan. 8, 2001; -- Am. 2014, Act 48, Imd. Eff. Mar. 25, 2014; Am. 2020, Act 109, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020

436.1411 Brewer not licensed as micro brewer; sale of beer for on-premises consumption on licensed brewery premises; limitations; "engages in the production of beer" defined.

Sec. 411.

(1) Subject to the requirements of this section and section 537, a brewer or micro brewer may sell beer it manufactured for consumption of or off the premise at an approved tasting room under section 536 if the tasting room is located on licensed brewery premises where the brewer or micro brewer manufactures.
(2) The sale of beer under subsection (1) is subject to all of the following limitations:
   (a) A brewer that is not licensed as a micro brewer and that produces in total 120,000 barrel of beer or more per year may sell its beer for on-premises consumption at not more than 2 approved tasting rooms in this state.
   (b) A brewer that is not licensed as a micro brewer and that produces in total fewer than 120,000 barrels of beer per year may sell its beer for on-premises consumption at not more than 3 approved tasting rooms in this state.
   (c) A licensed micro brewer that produces in total fewer than 30,000 barrels of beer per year may sell its beer for on-premises consumption at any of its approved tasting rooms in this state.
   (d) A licensed micro brewer that produces in total 30,000 barrels of beer or more per year may sell its beer for on-premises consumption at not more than 3 approved tasting rooms in this state.
(3) Subject to the limitations in subsection (2), if a brewer or micro brewer has more than 1 licensed brewery premises, that brewer or micro brewer may sell beer that it has produced at 1 licensed brewery premises at an approved tasting room located on any of its other licensed brewery premises if 1 of the following requirements is met:
   (a) The licensed brewery premises that receives the beer, on which the approved tasting room is located, has an installed and functional mutivessel system capable of producing and fermenting at least 3 barrels of wort in a single batch.

(b) The licensed brewery premises that receives the beer, on which the approved tasting room is located, produces a volume of beer equivalent to 50% of the volume of beer sold to consumers at that tasting room.
(c) The licensed brewery premises that receives the beer, on which the approved tasting room is located, submitted an application for licensure at that location before October 1, 2018.
(d) The licensed brewery premises that receives the beer, on which the approved tasting room is located, is a location that was approved by the commission as a wine tasting room under section 537 before October 1, 2018 for which an application was received after October 1, 2018 to transfer the wine tasting room to the same person who is applying for a micro brewer license at this location. The application for licensure as a micro brewer at this location must have been submitted before January 30, 2019 and the wine tasting room location must be actively operated at the time the micro brewer license is issued.

History: Add. 2000, Act 395, Imd. Eff. Jan. 8, 2001; -- Am. 2011, Act 298, Imd. Eff. Dec. 22, 2011; -- Am. 2014, Act 44, Imd. Eff. Mar. 25, 2014; --Am. 2018, Act 403, Imd. Eff. Dec. 19, 2018; Am. 2020, Act 219, Imd, Eff. Oct. 16, 2020

436.1412 Nonalcoholic beer; wholesaler sales to micro brewer or brewer.

Sec. 412.

(1) The legislature finds that the availability of nonalcoholic beverages, including nonalcoholic beer at tasting rooms, promotes public health and safety when done through a regulated structure that minimizes minor access to nonalcoholic beer.
(2) The legislature further finds that the 3-tier distribution system remains the most effective balance of increasing competition and variety and access to market against public health and safety. The ability of a wholesaler to sell nonalcoholic products to a brewer operating a tasting room under this section must not be used to undermine the 3-tier distribution system.
(3) Notwithstanding anything in this act to the contrary, a wholesaler may sell beer as defined in section 105(8)(b) to a brewer or micro brewer to sell at the brewer's or micro brewer's approved tasting room for consumption on or off the licensed premises.
(4) A brewer or micro brewer that purchases beer as defined in section 105(8)(b) under subsection (3) shall not do either of the following:
   (a) Sell or transfer the beer to another licensee.
   (b) If the micro brewer or the brewer has multiple licensed locations with approved tasting rooms, transfer the beer to any of the brewer's or micro brewer's licensed locations.

History: Add. 2025, Act 65, Imd. Eff. Dec. 25, 2025

436.1413 Participation in beer festival; direct sale by licensed brewpub to holder of special license.

Sec. 413.

Notwithstanding any provision of this act or rule promulgated under this act, a licensed brewpub may directly sell to a holder of a special license issued under section 526, for the purpose of conducting a beer festival, a quantity of beer determined appropriate by the commission for the purpose of participating in a beer festival.

History: Add. 2008, Act 259, Imd. Eff. Aug. 4, 2008

436.1415 Issuance of farmer's market permit to qualified small wine maker.

Sec. 415.

(1) Subject to the limitations provided under this section, the commission may issue a farmer's market permit to a qualified small wine maker. Regardless of the location of the qualified small wine maker, the commission shall only issue 1 farmer's market permit in a county where the farmer's market is located for each 1,500 of population or fraction of 1,500 in that county as determined by the last federal decennial census, by a special census pursuant to section 6 of the home rule city act, 1909 PA 279, MCL 117.6, or section 7 of the Glenn Steil state revenue sharing act of 1971, 1971 PA 140, MCL 141.907, or by the latest census and corrections published by the United States department of commerce, bureau of the census, whichever is later. The holder of a farmer's market

permit may conduct tastings and sell, at retail at a farmer's market, the wine produced by that qualified small wine maker.

(2) The commission shall charge a fee for a farmer's market permit of $25.00 for each farmer's market location. A farmer's market permit issued under this section is nontransferable. Notwithstanding the quota provision under subsection (1), the commission shall not limit the number of permits a qualified small wine maker obtains under this section, but an application for a farmer's market permit shall only contain up to 5 separate locations at 1 time. Section 503 does not apply to the application or issuance of a permit under this section or to the location of a farmer's market where the holder of a farmer's market permit intends to participate under this section. The commission shall not issue a farmer's market permit under this section unless the applicant provides documentation, in a manner prescribed by the commission, that the local police agency where the farmer's market is located and the farmer's market manager at that location have approved the proposed activity.

(3) The tastings and sales performed under a farmer's market permit shall be limited to an exclusive area that is well defined and clearly marked, in a manner prescribed by the commission, that is under the control of the holder of the farmer's market permit, as verified by the farmer's market manager.

(4) The tastings and sales performed under a farmer's market permit shall be conducted by employees of the holder of the farmer's market permit who have completed a server training program as provided for in section 906 and the rules promulgated by the commission.

(5) The wine sold or used for tastings shall be furnished from the stock of the holder of the farmer's market permit and removed from the farmer's market premises immediately after the farmer's market has concluded.

(6) Tasting samples provided to a customer shall not exceed 3 servings of not more than 2 ounces of wine in a 24-hour period of time.

(7) The commission shall develop an application for an annual farmer's market permit allowing for licensed activities under this section. A farmer's market manager shall verify on the application that the location listed on the application qualifies as a farmer's market under this section.

(8) A wholesaler shall not conduct or participate in any event allowed by this section.

(9) A holder of a farmer's market permit is considered a manufacturer as provided under section 603(15)(a).

(10) Two years after the enactment date of the amendatory act that added this section, the commission shall submit a report to the standing committees of the senate and house of representatives concerned with issues involving liquor control and the house and senate fiscal agencies assessing the continued issuance of farmer's market permits to qualified small wine makers. The report shall include, at a minimum, all of the following:
   (a) The number of applications received each year for a farmer's market permit.
   (b) The number of farmer's market permit applications approved each year.
   (c) The number of farmer's market permit applications approved in each county.

(11) As used in this section:
   (a) "Farmer's market" means a group of farmers or their designees or a variety of vendors, as determined by the farmer's market manager or his or her designee, who assembles on a recurring basis at a defined community sponsored or municipally sponsored location for the purposes of selling, directly to a consumer, food and products produced by those farmers or their representatives.
   (b) "Farmer's market manager" means the person responsible for enforcing the market policy and for the daily operation and management of the farmer's market.
   (c) "Farmer's market permit" means an annual permit issued as part of an approved license to a qualified small wine maker allowing that person to conduct tastings and sell at retail, for consumption off the licensed premises, at a farmer's market, wine produced by the qualified small wine maker.
   (d) "Qualified small wine maker" means a small wine maker, or an out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a small wine maker, that manufactures or bottles not more than 5,000 gallons of wine in 1 calendar year.

History: Add. 2013, Act 100, Eff. August 31, 2013

436.1501 Licenses; issuance; fees; bonds or liability insurance; expiration of full-year license; license as contract; operation of establishment upon death of licensee; approval of receiver or trustee; part-year license; transfer of license; approval of application; request for revocation of license or permit by local legislative body; hotels; zones and anniversary dates for renewal of licenses; rules; nontransferable tavern licenses for concessionaires at state fairgrounds; notice contained in application.

Sec. 501.

(1) The commission may issue licenses as provided in this act on the payment of the fees provided in section 525 and the filing of liability insurance as provided in section 803. The commission shall provide a notification of the ability of the purchaser or transferee to obtain a tax clearance certificate, as provided in subsection (6). Subject to section 906(2) and (3), the commission shall not issue a new on premises license or transfer more than 50% interest in an existing on premises license unless the applicant or transferee offers proof acceptable to the commission that he or she has employed or has present on the licensed premises, at a minimum, supervisory personnel on each shift and during all hours in which alcoholic liquor is served who have successfully completed a server training program described in section 906. The commission may consider an individual enrolled and actively participating in a server training program as having successfully completed the program for the time the individual is participating. The commission may allow an applicant or a conditionally approved licensee at least 180 days, or more on a showing of good cause, to meet the minimum personnel training requirements of this subsection. The commission may suspend the license of a conditionally approved licensee if that licensee does not comply with this subsection. The commission may waive the server training requirements of this subsection on the basis of either of the following circumstances:
   (a) The licensee's responsible operating experience or training.
   (b) The person's demonstration of an acceptable level of responsible operation either as a licensee during the preceding 3 years or as a manager with substantial experience in serving alcoholic liquor.

(2) A full-year license issued by the commission expires on April 30 following the date of issuance or the date fixed by the commission. A license issued under this act is a contract between the commission and the licensee and shall be signed by both parties. If a licensee dies, the commission may approve a personal representative or independent personal representative appointed by a court of competent jurisdiction to operate the establishment, pending the settlement of the estate of the deceased licensee. The commission may approve a receiver or trustee appointed by a court of competent jurisdiction to operate the licensed establishment of a licensee. The commission may grant a part-year license for a proportionate part of the license fee specified in section 525. In a resort area the commission shall grant a license for a period of time as short as 3 months. A license may be transferred with the consent of the commission. A class C or specially designated distributor license obtained in a manner other than by transfer must not be transferred within 3 years after it is issued except under circumstances where the licensee clearly and convincingly demonstrates that unusual hardship will result if the transfer does not receive the consent of the commission. An application for a license to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises, except in a city having a population of 600,000 or more, must be approved by the local legislative body in which the applicant's place of business is located before the license is granted by the commission, except that for an application for renewal of an existing license, if an objection to a renewal has not been filed with the commission by the local legislative body not less than 30 days before the date of expiration of the license, the approval of the local legislative body is not required. The commission shall provide the local legislative body and the local chief of police with the name, home and business addresses, and home and business phone numbers to accomplish the local legislative reviews of new and transferred license applications required by this subsection. On request of the local legislative body after due notice and proper hearing by the local legislative body and the commission, the commission shall revoke the license of a licensee granted a license to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises or any permit held in conjunction with that license.

(3) A local legislative body, by resolution, may request that the commission revoke the license of a licensee granted a license to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption off the premises whose place of business is located within the local legislative body's jurisdiction and that has been determined in commission violation hearings to have sold or furnished alcoholic liquor, on at least 3 separate occasions in a consecutive 12-month period, to a minor if those violations did not involve the use of falsified or fraudulent identification by the minor. If the commission verifies that the licensee who is the subject of the resolution has been found to have committed the violations as prescribed in this subsection, the commission may suspend or revoke the licensee's license and any permit held in conjunction with that license.

(4) This act does not prohibit a hotel that is or was the holder of a license authorizing the retail sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises from applying for and receiving under this act any other and different type of license authorizing the retail sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises. The application for the license shall not be considered a new application for a license if the total number of public licenses for consumption on the premises does not exceed the authorized total established in this act and the sale of alcoholic liquor is approved by the electors. The commission may divide the state into 3 zones and establish for each zone an anniversary date for renewal of full-year retail licenses in the licensing year. The commission shall promulgate rules under the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, for the effective administration of the renewal of licenses.

(5) The commission, with the written approval of the department of agriculture and rural development for the Michigan state fairgrounds and the Upper Peninsula state fairgrounds, may issue without regard to the quota provision of section 531 a tavern license to a person as concessionaire leasing or renting a portion of either the Upper Peninsula state fairgrounds or the state fairgrounds, or both, to service the licensed area in use for recreational or exhibition purposes other than at the time of the annual Upper Peninsula state fair under section 2 of 1927 PA 89, MCL 285.142. A license issued under this subsection is not transferable.

(6) The application for initial licensure or for a transfer of a license shall contain a notice in substantial compliance with the following:

When purchasing a license, a buyer can be held liable for tax debts incurred by the previous owner. Prior to committing to the purchase of any license or establishment, the buyer should request a tax clearance certificate from the seller that indicates that all taxes have been paid up to the date of issuance. Obtaining sound professional assistance from an attorney or accountant can be helpful to identify and avoid any pitfalls and hidden liabilities when buying even a portion of a business.

Sellers can make a request for the tax clearance certificate through the Michigan department of treasury.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 1998, Act 416, Imd. Eff. Dec. 21, 1998; -- Am. 2000, Act 431, Imd. Eff. Jan. 9, 2001; -- Am. 2006, Act 547, Imd. Eff. Dec. 29, 2006 – Am.2012, Act 82, Imd. Eff. Apr.11, 2012; -- Am. 2019, Act 131, Imd. Eff. Nov. 21, 2019.

436.1502 Salesperson license; issuance; expiration; renewal; fee; conduct not requiring license; accreditation program; curriculum; administrator; definitions.

Sec. 502

(1) Subject to subsection (3), the commission shall issue a salesperson license to an individual who is a designated employee of any of the following:
- (a) A manufacturer of beer
- (b) A manufacturer of wine.
- (c) A manufacturer of mixed spirit drink.
- (d) An outstate seller of beer.
- (e) An outstate seller of wine
- (f) An outstate seller of mixed spirit drink.
- (g) A wholesaler.
- (h) A broker that represents 1 or more person described in subdivision (a) to (g).
- (i) A broker described in subdivision (h) that also represents 1 or more of the following persons:
  - (i) A vendor of spirits
  - (ii) A manufacturer of spirits
- (j) A vendor of spirits.

(k) A manufacturer of spirits.
(l) A broker that represents 1 or more of the following:
(i) A vendor of spirits.
(ii) A manufacturer of spirits.

(2) A salesperson license issued under this section after April 15, 2018 but before April 30, 2020 expires on April 30, 2020. A salesperson license issued under this section is renewable every 3 years with the first triennial renewal cycle beginning May 1, 2020. The commission may charge a reasonable initial license fee and triennial renewal fee. The commission shall establish a fee under this section by written order. The nonrefundable inspection fee under section 529(4) is not required for an application for a new salesperson license or transfer of a salesperson license. A salesperson license issued or renewed under R 436.1853 of the Michigan Administrative Code expires on the earlier of the following dates:
(a) Three years after the date of the issuance or renewal.
(b) April 30, 2020.

(3) The commission shall not impose any other requirement or consider any other factor beyond the accreditation required in this section for issuance or renewal of a salesperson license. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the commission shall not issue a salesperson license under this section unless the applicant submits with his or her application written documentation that the applicant has successfully completed a salesperson accreditation program. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the commission shall not renew a salesperson license issued under this section or under R 436.1853 of the Michigan Administrative Code unless the licensee submits with his or her application proof acceptable to the commission that the licensee has successfully completed a salesperson accreditation program not more than 120 days before the date the licensee submits his or her renewal application. An applicant's completion of a salesperson accreditation program is not a condition for issuance or renewal of a salesperson license for any of the following applicants:
(a) A designated employee of a manufacturer of spirits.
(b) A designated employee of a vendor of spirits.
(c) A designated employee of a broker described in subsection (1)(l).

(4) Except as provided in subsection (5), an individual shall not sell, deliver, promote, or otherwise assist in the sale of alcoholic liquor in any manner to a retailer in this state unless licensed under this section or under R 436.1853 of the Michigan Administrative Code. An individual licensed as a salesperson under R 436.1853 before April 15, 2018 shall comply with the requirements of this section on renewal of his or her salesperson license, application for a subsequent salesperson license under a different employer, or a request to transfer his or her salesperson license to a different employer.

(5) This section does not require an individual who is at least 16 years of age and who only does any of the following to be licensed as a salesperson:
(a) Builds a display of those brands that are represented or sold by the individual's employer for an off-premises retailer.
(b) Marks the price on those brands that are represented or sold by the individual's employer for an off-premises retailer.
(c) Rotates brands that are represented or sold by the individual's employer for an off-premises retailer.
(d) Places brands that are represented or sold by the individual's employer on shelves for an off-premises retailer.
(e) For an individual who holds a Michigan commercial driver license or chauffeur's license transports, in a vehicle licensed by the commission under section 525, and delivers alcoholic liquor to a retailer.

(6) The commission shall approve a salesperson license accreditation program designed for salesperson licensees if the commission determines that the program's curriculum includes an understanding of the following:
(a) Section 609.
(b) Section 609a.
(c) Section 609b.
(d) Section 610d.
(e) The provisions of section 1013 that require the sale or purchase of alcoholic liquor by a licensee for cash only.
(f) R 436.1315 of the Michigan Administrative Code.

(g) R 436.1726 of the Michigan Administrative Code.
(h) The commission's order for on-premises brand promotions issued October 27, 1999.
(i) Product adjustments as provided for in this act.

(7) A person described in subsection (1)(a) to (g) or a qualified trade association may apply to the commission for qualification as an administrator for the offering of a salesperson accreditation program.

(8) On approval of a salesperson accreditation program under subsection (6), the commission shall appoint the person or qualified trade association sponsoring the salesperson accreditation program as administrator of that program.

(9) As used in this section:
(a) "Administrator" means a person described in (1)(a) to (g) or a qualified trade association authorized by the commission to offer salesperson accreditation programs.
(b) "Broker" means that term as defined in R 436.1001 of the Michigan Administrative Code.
(c) "Designated employee" means an individual who sells, delivers, promotes, or otherwise assists in the sale of alcoholic liquor.
(d) "Qualified trade association" means a trade association that represents a person described in subsection (1)(a) to (g) that employs individuals to act as salespersons.
(e) "Salesperson accreditation program" means a program that the commission approves under subsection (6) and that is offered by an administrator.

History: Add. 2017, Act 129, Eff. Apr. 15, 2018; --Am. 2020, Act 112, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020; --Am. 2022, Act 122. Imd. Eff. June 29, 2022

436.1503 License; proximity of contemplated location to church or school building; measurement of distance; exceptions; presumption of validity; waiver; objection; hearing; transfer to location farther from church or school.

Sec. 503.

(1) The commission shall deny a new application for a license to sell alcoholic beverages at retail or a request to transfer location of an existing license if the contemplated location is within 500 feet of a church or a school building. The distance between the church or school building and the contemplated location must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the part of the church or school building nearest to the contemplated location and from the part of the contemplated location nearest to the church or school building.

(2) This section does not apply to specially designated merchants not in conjunction with on the premises licenses.

(3) This section does not apply to an outstanding license issued before March 1, 2017, for a location within the distance described in subsection (1) or to the renewal or transfer of the outstanding license at the location. A license issued, renewed, or transferred as described in this subsection is conclusively presumed to be valid for purposes of this section only.

(4) The commission may waive this section for all classes of licenses. If an objection is not filed by the church or school, the commission may issue the license under this act. If an objection is filed, the commission shall hold a hearing under rules established by the commission before making a decision on issuing the license.

(5) This section does not prevent the transfer of a license to a location farther from a church or school, if the license to be transferred is within the 500-foot radius described in subsection (1).

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2017, Act 66, Imd. Eff. June 30, 2017.

Admin Rule: R 436.1951 et seq. and R 436.1963 of the Michigan Administrative Code.

436.1504 Limited production manufacturer license; fees; conditional sales and purchases; restrictions and prohibitions; registration and federal brewer's notice required; definitions.

Sec. 504.

(1) The commission may issue a limited production manufacturer license to a person that purchases beer from another brewer, micro brewer, or out-of-state equivalent of a brewer or micro brewer for

purposes of taking ownership of the beer and performing any of the manufacturing process as described in section 109(1).

(2) The commission shall charge an initial and renewal license fee for a license under this section of $1,000.00.

(3) Notwithstanding section 204, a brewer, micro brewer, or out-of-state equivalent of a brewer or micro brewer may sell beer to a limited production manufacturer and a limited production manufacturer may buy beer from a brewer, micro brewer, or an out-of-state equivalent of a brewer or micro brewer if all of the following conditions are met:
   (a) The brewer, micro brewer, or out-of-state equivalent of a brewer or micro brewer relinquishes ownership of the beer to the purchasing limited production manufacturer.
   (b) The limited production manufacturer modifies the beer by performing all or part of the manufacturing process as described in section 109(1).
   (c) The brewer, micro brewer, or out-of-state equivalent of a brewer or micro brewer notifies the commission in writing of the sale and the amount of beer being sold to a purchasing limited production manufacturer before each sale. The notification must be in the form required by the commission.
   (d) The brewer, micro brewer, or out-of-state equivalent of a brewer or micro brewer and the limited production manufacturer maintain records of the sale, in the manner required by the commission, for 3 years.

(4) A limited production manufacturer may only sell beer to a wholesaler or a person located outside of this state regardless of whether the person is licensed under this act. Notwithstanding section 109(10) or R 436.1609(2) of the Michigan Administrative Code, beer sold by a limited production manufacturer to a person located outside of this state that holds an outstate seller of beer license may be sold to a wholesaler in this state by the outstate seller of beer.

(5) A limited production manufacturer must not be licensed as or hold a financial interest in another licensed supplier except for purposes of purchasing beer in the manner allowed in this section.

(6) A limited production manufacturer shall not hold a license in the wholesaler tier or retailer tier as provided in section 603(13).

(7) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a limited production manufacturer shall comply with all provisions of this act that apply to the activities of a brewer, including, but not limited to, sections 401, 403, 409, 603, and 609.

(8) A limited production manufacturer shall not self-distribute.

(9) Before selling beer in this state to a wholesaler, a limited production manufacturer shall register the beer and receive a registration number of approval under R 436.1611 of the Michigan Administrative Code.

(10) A limited production manufacturer must be the holder of a federal brewer's notice issued by the United States Department of Treasury, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau in accordance with 27 CFR 25.61 to 25.85.

(11) As used in this section:
   (a) "Limited production manufacturer" means a person licensed under this section.
   (b) "Supplier" means that term as defined in section 603.

History: Add. 2020, Act 80, Imd. Eff. Apr. 2, 2020

436.1505 Class “C” or class “B” hotel license; state-owned airport; nontransferable.

Sec. 505.

Notwithstanding section 501, the commission, with the approval of the bureau of aeronautics, may issue without regard to the quota provision of section 531, not more than 1 class C or class B hotel license for each state-owned airport serviced by scheduled commercial passenger airlines. Such license shall not be transferable.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1507 Liquor licenses; publicly owned airports; issuance.

Sec. 507.

The commission may issue, without regard to the quota provisions of section 531, licenses to the owner or lessee, or both, to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises of buildings in the passenger

terminal complex of each publicly owned airport that is served by scheduled commercial passenger airlines certificated to enplane and deplane passengers on a scheduled basis by the federal aviation agency or the civil aeronautics board. A license issued under this section is not transferable.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1509 Liquor licenses; municipal civic center or civic auditorium; conditions and limitations.

Sec. 509.

(1) The commission may issue, without regard to the quota provisions of section 531, licenses to a commission, board, or authority governing or operating a municipal civic center or civic auditorium or to 1 or more of its concessionaires, or to both, if all of the following apply:
   (a) The center or auditorium is within a city or township having a population of not less than 5,500.
   (b) The center or auditorium is owned and operated as a municipal enterprise.
   (c) The legislative body of the municipality first authorizes the operating authority of the civic center or civic auditorium or its concessionaire to apply to the commission for a license.

(2) Licenses issued under this section are not transferable, must not be issued to an educational institution or for a facility operated in connection with an educational institution, and must authorize the sale of alcoholic liquor only in connection with a scheduled event at the licensed premises.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2018, Act 37, Imd. Eff. February 21, 2018.

436.1511 Class “C” or class “B” hotel license for hotel located within Mackinac Island state park; class “C” license for certain concessionaire; license for sale of alcoholic liquor at Presque Isle harbor marina; nontransferability of license.

Sec. 511.

(1) Notwithstanding section 501, the commission may issue the following licenses without regard to the quota provisions of section 531:
   (a) With the approval of the Mackinac Island state park commission, not more than 1 class C or class B hotel license for each hotel which is located within the Mackinac Island state park and is owned by the Mackinac Island state park commission and not more than 1 class C license to a concessionaire of the Mackinac Island state park commission who operates a restaurant located within Fort Mackinac.
   (b) A license for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on or off the premises at the Presque Isle harbor marina.

(2) A license issued under this section is not transferable as to ownership or location.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

Compiler's Notes: For transfer of Mackinac Island state park commission from department of natural resources and environment to department of natural resources, see E.R.O. No. 2011-1, compiled at MCL 324.99921.

436.1513 Licenses; issuance to governing board of college or university; restrictions and prohibition; sale of alcoholic liquor on hotel or restaurant premises located on land owned by Central Michigan University, Wayne State University, Western Michigan University, Northern Michigan University, Eastern Michigan University, Oakland University, Lake Superior State University, Macomb Community College, Wayne County Community College, Schoolcraft College, Washtenaw County Community College, or Henry Ford College; conditions; golf course clubhouse; baseball stadium; restaurant; nontransferability; fee; "college," "university," and "conference center" defined.

Sec. 513.

(1) The commission may issue to the governing board of a college or university, without regard to the quota provisions of section 531, a license to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises

of a conference center operated by the governing board. Licenses granted under this subsection may be used only for the sale of alcoholic liquor at regularly scheduled conference center activities. The sale of alcoholic liquor to unscheduled patrons or at unscheduled events is prohibited under this subsection.

(2) Subject to section 531, the commission may issue a license to a private entity for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises of a hotel located on land owned by Central Michigan University if both of the following circumstances exist:
   (a) The land is leased or subleased at fair market value to a private entity that owns, leases, or subleases the hotel building and its fixtures.
   (b) The hotel and land are located within an industrial, research, or commercial development park established by the governing board of Central Michigan University.

(3) Subject to section 531, the commission may issue a license to a private entity for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the licensed premises of a restaurant located on land owned by Wayne State University if both of the following circumstances exist:
   (a) The land is leased or subleased at fair market value to a private entity that owns, leases, or subleases the licensed premises for the operation of a restaurant.
   (b) The restaurant is located within an area designated for industrial, research, or commercial development by the governing board of Wayne State University.

(4) Subject to section 531, the commission may issue a license to a private entity for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the licensed premises of a restaurant located on land owned by Western Michigan University if both of the following circumstances exist:
   (a) The land is leased or subleased at fair market value to a private entity that owns, leases, or subleases the licensed premises for the operation of a restaurant.
   (b) The restaurant is located within an area designated industrial, research, or commercial development by the governing board of Western Michigan University.

(5) Subject to section 531, the commission may issue to the governing board of Northern Michigan University a license for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the licensed premises of a restaurant located on land owned and operated by Northern Michigan University if both of the following apply:
   (a) The license was originally acquired on the open market at fair market value.
   (b) The restaurant is located within an area designated for community development or conference activities by the governing board of Northern Michigan University.

(6) Subject to section 531, the commission may issue a license to a golf course clubhouse and any adjacent outdoor service area owned or operated by a college or university for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises of the golf course clubhouse and any adjacent outdoor service area.

(7) Subject to section 531, the commission may issue a license to a private entity for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises of a baseball stadium located on land owned by Eastern Michigan University if the baseball stadium and adjacent outdoor service area is leased or subleased at fair market value during the summer period between the end of the university's spring term and the beginning of its fall term.

(8) Subject to section 531, the commission may issue a license to a private entity for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the licensed premises of a restaurant located on land owned by Eastern Michigan University if all of the following circumstances exist:
   (a) The land is leased or subleased at fair market value to a private entity that owns, leases, or subleases the licensed premises for the operation of a restaurant.
   (b) The restaurant is located within an area designated for industrial, research, or commercial development by the governing board of Eastern Michigan University.
   (c) The license was originally acquired on the open market at fair market value.

(9) Subject to section 531, the commission may issue a license to a private entity for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises of a baseball stadium located on land owned by Oakland University if the baseball stadium and adjacent outdoor service area is leased or subleased at fair market value during the summer period between the end of the university's spring term and the beginning of its fall term.

(10) Subject to section 531, the commission may issue to the governing board of Lake Superior State University a license for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on licensed premises that are located on land owned and operated by Lake Superior State University if both of the following apply:
   (a) The license was originally acquired on the open market at fair market value.

(b) The land is located within an area designated for community development or conference activities by the governing board of Lake Superior State University.

(11) Subject to section 531, the commission may issue to the governing board of Macomb Community College a license for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on licensed premises that are located at the Expo Center Complex and the John Lewis Student Community Center if the license was originally acquired on the open market at fair market value.

(12) Subject to section 531, the commission may issue to the governing board of Wayne County Community College a license for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on licensed premises that are located at the Wayne County Community College District Culinary Arts and Hospitality Center if the license was originally acquired on the open market at fair market value.

(13) Subject to section 531, the commission may issue a license to a private entity for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the licensed premises of a restaurant located on land owned by Schoolcraft College if all of the following circumstances exist:

(a) The land is leased or subleased at fair market value to the private entity that leases or subleases the licensed premises for the operation of a restaurant. The licensed premises described in this subsection must be located within or directly adjacent to the licensed premises of the grocery store described in section 533(14).

(b) The private entity described in this subsection is the same private entity described in section 533(14).

(c) The restaurant is located within an area designated for industrial, research, or commercial development by the governing board of Schoolcraft College.

(d) The license was originally acquired on the open market at fair market value.

(14) Subject to section 531, the commission may issue to the governing board of Washtenaw County Community College a license for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on licensed premises that are located at the Morris Lawrence Building if the license was originally acquired on the open market at fair market value.

(15) Subject to section 531, the commission may issue to the governing board of Henry Ford College a license for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on licensed premises that are located at the John McDonald Student and Culinary Arts Center if the license was originally acquired on the open market at fair market value.

(16) Licenses issued under subsection (1) are nontransferable. A licensee issued a license under this section shall pay the fee required under section 525.

(17) As used in this section:

(a) "College" or "university" means a 2-year or 4-year state supported institution of higher education.

(b) "Conference center" means either of the following:

(i) A building or portion of a building, other than a student residence hall or student center, that has meeting rooms, banquet areas, social halls, overnight accommodations, and related facilities for special activities scheduled by the college or university, and that, in the judgment of the commission, has been regularly used for conferences and lodging of guests.

(ii) Any of the following:

(A) The George Gervin GameAbove Center, the corporate education center, Pease Auditorium, the student center, and McKenny Hall at Eastern Michigan University.

(B) The Kirkhof and Eberhard Centers at Grand Valley State University.

(C) The student center with the name designated by the governing board of Western Michigan University and Heritage Alumni Center at Western Michigan University.

(D) The Wadsworth Center at Michigan Technological University.

(E) The West Complex, Fredricks Sculpture Museum, and Alumni Building at Saginaw Valley State University.

(F) The Woodbridge N. Ferris Building at Grand Rapids and the David L. Eisler Center at Big Rapids of Ferris State University.

(G) The Waterman Campus Center at Schoolcraft College.

(H) The Mendel Center at Lake Michigan Community College.

(I) The McGregor Memorial Conference Center at Wayne State University.

(J) The Michigan State University Management Educational Center.

(K) The Superior Dome at Northern Michigan University.

(L) The Walker Cisler Center, the James Norris Events Center, and the Richard and Theresa Barch Center for Freshwater Research and Education at Lake Superior State University.
(M) The Marie Prahl College Center at Mott Community College.
(N) The West Hall Innovation Center, the Gerald and Frances Oleson Center, the Dennos Museum Center, and the Great Lakes Campus at Northwestern Michigan College.
(O) The Farmhouse at Delta College.
(P) The Oakland Community College Culinary Studies Institute.
(Q) The Performing Arts and Cultural Center Complex at Macomb Community College.
(R) Meadow Brook Hall, Golf Pavilion, Oakland Center, O'Rena, and Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion at Oakland University.
(S) The John G. Kulhavi Events Center at Central Michigan University.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 1998, Act 400, Imd. Eff. Dec. 17, 1998; -- Am. 1998, Act 416, Imd. Eff. Dec. 21, 1998; -- Am. 2000, Act 344, Imd. Eff. Dec. 27, 2000; -- Am. 2002, Act 725, Imd. Eff. Dec. 30, 2002; -- Am. 2004, Act 141, Imd. Eff. June 15, 2004; -- Am. 2007, Act 11, Imd. Eff. May 24, 2007; -- Am. 2009, Act 48, Imd. Eff. June 18, 2009; --Am. 2018, Act 479, Imd. Eff. Dec. 27, 2018; -- Am. 2020, Act 39, Imd. Eff. Mar. 3, 2020; --Am. 2020, Act 121, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020;-- Am. 2021, Act 116, Imd. Eff. Nov. 22, 2021;-- Am. 2022, Act 216, Imd. Eff. Oct. 14, 2022;-- Am. 2024, Act 115, Imd. Eff. July. 23, 2024; --Am. 2025, Act 40 & 41, Imd Eff. Dec. 23, 2025

436.1513a Sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption at community college's or university's culinary or hospitality program's location; license; prohibition; submission of documents; cancellation of license; use; license to private entity; catering permit; definitions.

Sec. 513a.

(1) Beginning October 1, 2011, the commission may issue to the governing board of a community college or university that is accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency as determined by the United States secretary of education under 20 USC 1099b and that operates an accredited culinary or hospitality program, without regard to the quota provisions of section 531, a license to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption at the community college's or university's culinary or hospitality program's location for activities that further the community college's or university's community or academic mission.
(2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (7), the sale of alcoholic liquor to patrons at a location other than the community college's or university's culinary or hospitality program's location or at activities that do not further the community college's or university's community or academic mission, including, but not limited to, public and private gatherings or meetings that do not have a direct correlation to the community college's or university's community or academic mission, is prohibited under this section.
(3) To obtain a license under this section, a community college or university shall submit both of the following to the commission:
   (a) Documentation verifying that the community college or university is accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency as determined by the United States secretary of education under 20 USC 1099b.
   (b) Either of the following:
      (i) Documentation verifying that the community college's or university's culinary or hospitality program is accredited by a regionally recognized accrediting body.
      (ii) Within 180 days after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this section, a copy of the community college's or university's application to a regionally recognized accrediting body for accreditation of its culinary or hospitality program.
(4) The commission shall cancel a license issued under this section if, within 2 years of applying for a license under this section, the community college's or university's culinary or hospitality program is not accredited by a regionally recognized accrediting body, unless the community college or university demonstrates good cause for an extension of time to obtain accreditation by a regionally recognized accrediting body.
(5) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (7), a liquor license issued under this section shall be granted and registered to the community college's or university's culinary or hospitality program's location.
(6) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (7), a liquor license issued under this section shall be used by the community college or university and not by a private entity.
(7) Subject to section 531, the commission may issue a license to a private entity for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises of an outdoor stadium located on land owned by

Lake Michigan college and leased to a private entity. The prohibition in section 531(7) on licenses at outdoor stadiums does not apply to a license issued under this subsection.

(8) A community college or university that holds a liquor license under this section shall not obtain a catering permit under section 547.

(9) As used in this section:

(a) "Community college" means a community college established under the community college act of 1966, 1966 PA 331, MCL 389.1 to 389.195.

(b) "University" means a public university described in section 4, 5, or 6 of article VIII of the state constitution of 1963.

History: Add. 2011, Act 249, Imd. Eff. Dec. 8, 2011

436.1514 Hotel and conference center owned and operated by university; issuance of class B hotel license; conditions; limitation; "hospitality program" defined.

Sec. 514.

(1) Notwithstanding section 501 and subject to the quota system under this act, the commission may issue a class B hotel license to a hotel and conference center owned and operated by a university meeting at least all of the following:

(a) Contains a hotel with at least 150 guest rooms.

(b) Has a restaurant seating at least 125 guests that serves a full-menu breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

(c) Has over 30,000 square feet of flexible meeting space.

(d) Is open year-round to provide services to the public and to serve the mission of the hospitality program.

(e) Has a hospitality program providing at least all of the following at the site of the hotel and conference center as part of that program:

(i) Student education classrooms.

(ii) A working hospitality laboratory setting.

(iii) Utilization of rotational interns each semester or equivalent time period.

(2) In public areas of the hotel and conference center, the sale and consumption of alcoholic liquor is limited to table service only unless the public areas are reserved for private functions.

(3) As used in this section, "hospitality program" means a course of academic study that, at a minimum, is a nationally accredited program at baccalaureate and graduate levels in the hospitality business that requires at least 120 semester credits or the equivalent for completion of the baccalaureate degree and that has a teaching and research staff predominated by individuals with at least doctoral degrees.

History: Add. 2000, Act 166, Imd. Eff. June 20, 2000

436.1514a Hotel and conference center owned and operated by university with class B hotel license; issuance of additional class B hotel license at another location; conditions; limitation; "hospitality program" defined.

Sec. 514a.

(1) Notwithstanding section 501 and subject to the quota system under this act, the commission may issue a class B hotel license to a hotel and conference center owned and operated by a university that holds a class B hotel license issued under section 514 and meets at least all of the following:

(a) Contains a hotel with at least 45 guest rooms.

(b) Has a restaurant seating at least 90 guests that serves a full-menu breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

(c) Has over 13,000 square feet of flexible meeting space.

(d) Is open year-round to provide services to the public and to serve the mission of the hospitality program.

(e) Has a hospitality program providing at least 2 of the following at the site of the hotel and conference center as part of that program:

(i) Student education classrooms.

(ii) A working hospitality laboratory setting.

(iii) Utilization of rotational interns each semester or during the summer.

(2) In public areas of the hotel and conference center, the sale and consumption of alcoholic liquor is limited to table service only unless the public areas are reserved for private functions.
(3) As used in this section, "hospitality program" means a course of academic study that, at a minimum, is a nationally accredited program at baccalaureate and graduate levels in the hospitality business that requires at least 120 semester credits or the equivalent for completion of the baccalaureate degree and that has a teaching and research staff predominated by individuals with at least doctoral degrees.

History: Add. 2004, Act 194, Imd. Eff. July 8, 2004

436.1515 Class "C" license for certain golf courses; tavern license for certain golf courses; transfer of license to another location prohibited; surrender of license.

Sec. 515.

(1) The commission may issue in a county with a population of 1,000,000 or more, without regard to the quota provisions of section 531, a class C license for a golf course that is owned by a county, city, village, or township and is open to the public.
(2) The commission may issue in a county with a population of between 500,000 and 700,000, without regard to the quota provisions of section 531, 1 tavern license for a golf course that is owned by a city with a population of over 190,000 but under 300,000 and is open to the public.
(3) The commission shall not transfer a license issued under this section to another location. If a licensee who receives a license under this section goes out of business, the license issued under this section shall be surrendered to the commission.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2004, Act 192, Imd. Eff. July 8, 2004

436.1517 International sporting event licenses; issuance; circumstances; duration; limitation; list; recommendation by governing body; certification of compliance; fee.

Sec. 517.

(1) The commission may issue international sporting event licenses for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises in connection with an international golf tournament conducted during calendar year 2004 if all of the following circumstances are found by the commission to exist:
   (a) The local governmental unit in which the international sporting event is to be conducted is the host governmental unit for that event.
   (b) The premises to be licensed are located in a theme area or theme areas designated by the governing body of the host governmental unit in connection with the international sporting event or are operated in conjunction with that event.
   (c) The commission determines that the international sporting event will attract a substantial number of tourists from outside this state.
   (d) The international sporting event is conducted under the auspices of a national or international sanctioning body.
   (e) The applicant is any of the following:
      (i) A Michigan licensee for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises.
      (ii) The promoter of the international sporting event or an affiliate of the promoter.
      (iii) A person who has entered into a written concession or catering agreement with the promoter of the international sporting event or its affiliate, which agreement has been approved by the commission.
      (iv) An organization qualified for licensure as a special licensee under section 111(13) and the rules of the commission.
(2) Licenses issued under this section must be for a period of not more than 30 consecutive days and are not transferable as to ownership or location. The license must be for specific designated time periods that include the international sporting event and activities associated with the event.
(3) Not more than 40 licenses shall be issued under this section for use at the same time in a theme area or theme areas.

(4) The governing body of a host governmental unit described in subsection (1) shall supply to the commission for the commission's review a list containing the names of applicants and the locations of the premises to be licensed under this section. The governing body of the host governmental unit shall recommend the number of licenses to be issued pursuant to this section in the theme area or theme areas. The commission shall not issue any licenses pursuant to this section that are not recommended by the governing body of the host governmental unit.
(5) The governing body of the host governmental unit shall provide, in conjunction with the list described in subsection (4), written certification to the commission that all premises to be licensed under this section comply with applicable state and local building, safety, and health laws, rules, and regulations.
(6) A license issued pursuant to this section is not subject to section 503.
(7) An applicant for a license under this section shall pay to the commission a license fee of $1,000.00 at the time of application.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2004, Act 169, Imd. Eff. June 24, 2004;--Am. 2018, Act 412, Imd. Eff. Dec., 2018

436.1517a National sporting event license; issuance; circumstances; duration; limitation on number of licenses issued; recommendation by governing body of host government unit; certification of compliance with applicable laws, rules, and regulations; fee; "national sporting event" defined.

Sec. 517a.

(1) The commission may issue national sporting event licenses for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises concerning a national sporting event, if the commission determines that all of the following circumstances exist:
   (a) The local governmental unit in which the national sporting event is to be conducted is the host governmental unit for the national sporting event.
   (b) The premises to be licensed are located in a theme area or theme areas designated by the governing body of the host governmental unit in connection with the national sporting event or are operated in conjunction with the national sporting event.
   (c) The national sporting event will attract a substantial number of tourists from outside this state.
   (d) The national sporting event is conducted under the auspices of a national sanctioning body.
   (e) The applicant is any of the following:
      (i) A Michigan licensee for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises.
      (ii) The promoter of the national sporting event or an affiliate of the promoter.
      (iii) A person who has entered into a written concession or catering agreement with the promoter of the national sporting event or its affiliate, which agreement has been approved by the commission.
      (iv) An organization qualified for licensure as a special licensee under section 111(13) and the rules of the commission.
(2) A license issued under this section must be for a period of not more than 30 consecutive days and is not transferable as to ownership or location. The license must be for specific designated time periods that include the national sporting event and activities associated with the national sporting event.
(3) The commission shall not issue more than 40 licenses under this section for use at the same time in a theme area or theme areas.
(4) The governing body of a host governmental unit described in subsection (1) shall supply to the commission for the commission's review a list containing the names of applicants and the locations of the premises to be licensed under this section. The governing body of the host governmental unit shall recommend the number of licenses to be issued under this section in the theme area or theme areas. The commission shall not issue a license under this section that is not recommended by the governing body of the host governmental unit.
(5) The governing body of the host governmental unit shall provide, in conjunction with the list described in subsection (4), written certification to the commission that all premises to be licensed under this section comply with applicable state and local building, safety, and health laws, rules, and regulations.
(6) A license issued under this section is not subject to section 503.
(7) An applicant for a license under this section shall pay to the commission a license fee of $1,000.00 at the time of application.

(8) As used in this section, “national sporting event” means a sports related event considered of national prominence and includes only the following:
   (a) The Major League Baseball All-Star Game during calendar year 2005.
   (b) The National Football League Super Bowl during calendar year 2006.
   (c) The Professional Golfers Association Championship during calendar year 2008.
   (d) The National Collegiate Athletic Association Final Four games during calendar year 2009.
   (e) The United States Golf Association Amateur Championship during calendar year 2016.
   (f) The Professional Golfers’ Association Tour Champions Tournament.
   (g) The Ladies Professional Golf Association Tour Champions Tournament during the following calendar years:
      (i) 2019.
      (ii) 2020.
      (iii) 2021.
      (iv) 2022.
      (v) 2023.

History: Add. 2004, Act 170, Imd. Eff. June 24, 2004; --Am. 2016, Act 180, Imd. Eff. June 14, 2016; --Am. 2018, Act 110, Imd. Eff. Apr. 24, 2018; --Am. 2018 411, Imd. Eff. Dec. 19, 2018; --Am. 2018, Act 472, Imd. Eff. Dec. 27, 2018 –Am. 2020, Act 319, Eff. Mar. 24, 2021

436.1518 Definitions; consumption of alcohol on premises of motorsports entertainment complex.

Sec. 518.

(1) As used in this section:
   (a) "Motorsports entertainment complex" means a closed-course motorsports facility and its ancillary grounds that comply with all of the following:
      (i) Has at least 1,500 fixed seats for race patrons.
      (ii) Has at least 2 scheduled days of motorsports events each calendar year.
      (iii) Serves food and beverages at the facility during sanctioned motorsports events each calendar year through concession outlets, which may be staffed by individuals who represent or are members of 1 or more nonprofit civic or charitable organizations that directly financially benefit from the concession outlets' sales.
      (iv) Engages in tourism promotion.
   (b) "Motorsports event" means a motorsports race and its ancillary activities that have been sanctioned by a sanctioning body.
   (c) "Owner" means a person that owns and operates a motorsports entertainment complex.
   (d) "Sanctioning body" means the American Motorcycle Association (AMA); Auto Racing Club of America (ARCA); IndyCar; International Motor Sports Association (IMSA); National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing (NASCAR); Nation Hot Rod Association (NHRA); Sports Car Club of America (SCCA); United States Auto Club (USAC); Michigan State Promoters Association; or any successor organization or any other nationally or internationally recognized governing body of motorsports that establishes an annual schedule of motorsports events and grants rights to conduct the events, that has established and administers rules and regulations governing all participants involved in the events and all persons conducting the events, and that requires certain liability assurances, including insurance.
(2) Notwithstanding the quota provisions of section 531, the commission may issue motorsports event licenses for the sale of beer and wine or beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits for consumption on the premises to the owner of a motorsports entertainment complex for use during sanctioned motorsports events only. The sale of beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits at concession outlets or additional locations within the motorsports entertainment complex during motorsports sanctioned events are not considered additional bars for the purpose of determining a license fee under section 525(1)(o). An applicant for a license under this section that elects to sell beer and wine only shall pay to the commission a license fee of $250.00. An applicant for a license under this section that elects to sell beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits shall pay to the commission a license fee of $600.00.
(3) For a period of time not to exceed 7 consecutive days during which public access is permitted to a motorsports entertainment complex in connection with a motorsports event, members of the general public at least 21 years or older may bring beer and wine not purchased at the licensed motorsports entertainment complex into the motorsports entertainment complex and possess and

consume that beer and wine. Possession and consumption of beer and wine under this section are allowed only in portions of the motorsports entertainment complex open to the general public that are also part of the licensed premises of a retail licensee under both of the following circumstances:

(a) The licensed premises are located within the motorsports entertainment complex.

(b) The retail licensee holds a license for consumption on the licensed premises of the motorsports entertainment complex.

(4) A person holding a license for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises at a motorsports entertainment complex is subject to the civil liability provisions of section 801 if the civil action is brought by or on behalf of an individual who suffers damage or is personally injured by a minor or visibly intoxicated person by reason of the unlawful consumption of alcoholic liquor on the licensed premises by that minor or visibly intoxicated person if the unlawful consumption is proven to be a proximate cause of the damage, injury, or death of the individual, whether the alcoholic liquor was sold or furnished by the licensee or was brought onto the licensed premises under subsection (3).

History: Add. 2002, Act 725, Imd. Eff. Dec. 30, 2002; -- Am. 2005, Act 166, Imd. Eff. Oct. 6, 2005; Am. 2010, Act 279, Imd. Eff. Dec. 16, 2010; --Am. 2021, Act 29, Eff (sine die); --Am. 2021, Act 64, Imd. Eff. July 15, 2021

436.1519 Property or establishment situated in or on state-owned land.

Sec. 519.

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this act, the commission shall not issue a license to sell alcoholic liquor, either on or off the premises, if the property or establishment to be covered by the license is situated in or on state owned land.

(2) Subsection (1) does not apply to a special license that has been approved by the governing authority of that state owned land.

(3) Subsection (1) does not apply to any of the following:

(a) The Michigan state fairgrounds.

(b) The Upper Peninsula state fairgrounds.

(c) Armories, air bases, and naval installations owned or leased by this state or provided by the federal government by either lease, license, or use permit and used by outside parties of a nonmilitary or nonstate governmental nature.

(d) Land that was under lease to a person licensed in the calendar year 1954 and on which a licensed establishment is presently located.

(e) Land located in the Upper Peninsula that was owned or leased by the federal government, used as a military installation, and transferred to this state before December 31, 2000 under 1978 PA 151, MCL 3.551 to 3.561, or 1993 PA 159, MCL 3.571 to 3.580. The commission may issue 2 additional licenses under this subdivision for establishments located on this state land without regard to or without an effect on the quota provisions of section 531 in the local governmental unit in which the license will be issued subject to the recommendation of the authority established under 1978 PA 151, MCL 3.551 to 3.561, or 1993 PA 159, MCL 3.571 to 3.580. A person issued a license under this subdivision may renew the license and transfer ownership of the license, without regard to or without an effect on the quota provisions of section 531, if title to the property covered by the license is transferred from this state to another person or to another governmental unit. The commission shall not transfer a license issued under this subdivision to another location. Before the issuance of a license, and annually thereafter before the issuance of a license for a new licensing period, the applicant for a license shall submit to the commission a certificate from the department or agency charged with control of the land setting forth that the issuance of a license is not incompatible with the objects and purposes entrusted to that department or agency under the law establishing control of the land in the department or agency. This subsection does not prohibit the issuance of a license under section 513.

(f) Property owned by the Michigan state waterways commission and leased to persons under part 791 of the natural resources and environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.79101 to 324.79118. The commission may issue a license under this subdivision to a lessee without regard to the quota provisions of section 531. However, the commission shall not issue a license under this subdivision without the written approval of the Michigan state waterways commission or its designee. A license issued under this subdivision is not

transferable as to ownership or location, and, if the licensee goes out of business, the license must be surrendered to the commission.

(g) Property owned by the state treasurer of this state when acting in the capacity of custodian of the assets of the state retirement systems created by the public school employees retirement act of 1979, 1980 PA 300, MCL 38.1301 to 38.1437; the state employees' retirement act, 1943 PA 240, MCL 38.1 to 38.69; the state police retirement act of 1986, 1986 PA 182, MCL 38.1601 to 38.1675; and the judges retirement act of 1992, 1992 PA 234, MCL 38.2101 to 38.2670.

(h) A building to which all of the following apply:
   (i) The building is owned by this state.
   (ii) The land on which the building is located is owned by this state.
   (iii) The building is more than 1,000,000 square feet.
   (iv) Space within the building is leased to a private entity to which both of the following apply:
      (A) In the building, the private entity provides services to the general public.
      (B) The private entity holds a license to sell alcoholic liquor as provided by this act.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; --Am. 2018, Act 158m Imd. Eff. May 23, 2018

436.1521 Limitation on tavern or class C licenses; renewal of license; conditions; revocation; transfer of license; “development district defined.

Sec. 521.

(1) Beginning on December 29, 2006, the commission shall not issue a tavern or class C licenses under this section. However, those licenses issued under this section before December 29, 2006 remain valid and may be renewed if in compliance with this section. The commission shall renew licenses issued under this section before the effective date of the amendatory act that added section 521a for persons who operate businesses that meet all of the following conditions:
   (a) The business is a full service restaurant, is open to the public, and prepares food on the premises.
   (b) The business is open for food service not less than 10 hours per day, 5 days a week.
   (c) At least 50% of the gross receipts of the business are derived from the sale of food for consumption on the premises. For purposes of this subdivision, food does not include beer and wine.
   (d) The business has dining facilities to seat not less than 25 persons.
   (e) The business is located in a development district with a population of not more than 50,000, in which the district, after a public hearing, has found that the issuance of the license would prevent further deterioration within the development district and promote economic growth within the development district.

(2) If in any licensing year the sale of food for consumption on the premises of the business represents less than 50% of the gross receipts for the business, the commission, after due notice and proper hearing, shall revoke the license issued under subsection (1).

(3) A license issued under this section is transferable as to ownership or location only within the development district.

(4) As used in this section, "development district" means any of the following:
   (a) An authority district established under part 3 of the recodified tax increment financing act, 2018 PA 57, MCL 125.4301 to 125.4329.
   (b) An authority district established under part 4 of the recodified tax increment financing act, 2018 PA 57, MCL 125.4401 to 125.4420.
   (c) A downtown district established under part 2 of the recodified tax increment financing act, 2018 PA 57, MCL 125.4201 to 125.4230.
   (d) A principal shopping district established under 1961 PA 120, MCL 125.981 to 125.990m, before January 1, 1996.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 1998, Act 282, Imd. Eff. July 27, 1998; -- Am. 2006, Act 502, Imd. Eff. Dec. 29, 2006 ;-- Am. 2021, Act 19, Eff. Aug. 23, 2021

436.1521a Public on-premises licenses; issuance to businesses; conditions; commercial investment in redevelopment project area; time period; total investment; number of licenses; requirements; fees; transfer of license prohibited; attempt to secure on-premise escrowed license or quota license; definitions.

Sec. 521a.

(1) In order to allow cities, villages, and townships to enhance the quality of life for their residents and visitors to their communities, the commission may issue public on-premises licenses in addition to those quota licenses allowed in cities, villages, and townships under section 531(1). The commission may issue a license under this section to a business that meets either of the following conditions:
   (a) Is located in a redevelopment project area meeting the criteria described in subsections (3) and (4) and is engaged in activities determined by the commission to be related to dining, entertainment, or recreation.
   (b) Is located in a development district or area that is any of the following:
      (i) An authority district established under part 3 of the recodified tax increment financing act, 2018 PA 57, MCL 125.4301 to 125.4329.
      (ii) A development area established under part 6 of the recodified tax increment financing act, 2018 PA 57, MCL 125.4602 to 125.4629.
      (iii) A downtown district established under part 2 of the recodified tax increment financing act, 2018 PA 57, MCL 125.4201 to 125.4230.
      (iv) A principal shopping district established under 1961 PA 120, MCL 125.981 to 125.990n.
(2) The commission shall not issue a license under subsection (1)(a) unless the applicant fulfills the following in relation to the licensed premises:
   (a) Provides the activity described in subsection (1)(a) not less than 5 days per week.
   (b) Is open to the public not less than 10 hours per day, 5 days per week.
   (c) Presents verification of redevelopment project area status to the commission that includes the following:
      (i) A resolution of the governing body of the city, village, or township establishing its status as a redevelopment project area.
      (ii) An affidavit from the assessor, as certified by the clerk of the city, village, or township, stating the total amount of investment in real and personal property within the redevelopment project area of the city, village, or township during the preceding 3 years.
      (iii) An affidavit from the assessor, as certified by the clerk of the city, village, or township, separately stating the amount of investment money expended for manufacturing, industrial, residential, and commercial development within the redevelopment project area of the city, village, or township during the preceding 3 years.
(3) Relative to the licenses issued under subsection (1)(a), the amount of commercial investment in the redevelopment project area within the city, village, or township must constitute not less than 25% of the total investment in real and personal property in that redevelopment project area as evidenced by an affidavit of the assessor of the city, village, or township. This subsection does not prevent the city, village, or township from realigning the redevelopment project area in the presentment of verification provided for under subsection (2)(c).
(4) In relation to a license issued under subsection (1)(a), an applicant must be located in a city, village, or township that meets at least 1 of the investment requirements of subsection (1)(a) during the 3 years preceding the submission of its application. The total investment in real and personal property in the redevelopment project area within the city, village, or township over the appropriate time period described in this subsection must be at least 1 of the following:
   (a) Not less than $50,000,000.00 in cities, villages, or townships having a population of 50,000 or more.
   (b) Not less than an amount reflecting $1,000,000.00 per 1,000 people in cities, villages, or townships having a population of less than 50,000.
(5) The commission may issue a license under subsection (1)(a) for each monetary threshold described in subsection (4)(a) and (b), and, after reaching the initial threshold, 1 additional license for each major fraction of the monetary threshold above that original threshold.
(6) The following apply to a license issued under subsection (1)(b):

(a) The amount expended for new construction, or to rehabilitate or restore the building that housed the licensed premises must be not less than $75,000.00 over a period of the preceding 5 years or a commitment for a capital investment of at least that amount in the building that houses or will house the licensed premises, that must be expended before the issuance of the license.
(b) The total amount of public and private investment in real and personal property within the development district or area must not be less than $200,000.00 over a period of the preceding 5 years as verified to the commission by means of an affidavit from the assessor, as certified by the clerk of the city, village, or township.
(c) The licensed business is engaged in dining, entertainment, or recreation, is open to the general public, and has a seating capacity of not less than 25 persons.

(7) The commission may issue 1 license under subsection (1)(b) for each monetary threshold described in subsections (6)(a) and (6)(b), or for each major fraction of the monetary threshold. The initial enhanced license fee for a license issued under this section is $20,000.00.

(8) The commission shall not transfer a license issued under this section to another location. If the licensee goes out of business, the licensee shall surrender the license to the commission. The governing body of the city, village, or township may approve another applicant within a redevelopment project area described in subsection (1)(a) or development district or area described in subsection (1)(b) to replace a licensee who has surrendered the license issued under this section provided the new applicant's business meets the requirements of this section but without regard to subsections (2)(c), (3), and (4) or subsection (6)(b).

(9) The individual signing the application for the license shall state and demonstrate that the applicant attempted to secure an appropriate on-premises escrowed license or quota license issued under section 531 and that, to the best of his or her knowledge, an on-premises escrowed license or quota license issued under section 531 is not readily available within the county in which the applicant proposes to operate.

(10) As used in this section:
(a) “Escrowed license” means a license in which the rights of the licensee in the license or to the renewal of the license are still in existence and are subject to renewal and activation in the manner provided for in R 436.1107 of the Michigan Administrative Code.
(b) “Readily available” means available under a standard of economic feasibility, as applied to the specific circumstances of the applicant, that includes, but is not limited to, the following:
(i) The fair market value of the license based on where the applicant will be located, if determinable.
(ii) The size and scope of the proposed operation.
(iii) The existence of mandatory contractual restrictions or inclusions attached to the sale of the license.

History: Add. 2006, Act 501, Imd. Eff. Dec. 29, 2006; -- Am. 2010, Act 369, Imd. Eff. Dec. 22, 2010; -- Am. 2014, Act 270, Imd. Eff. July 2, 2014;-- Am. 2022, Act 16, Imd. Eff. Feb. 23, 2022

436.1522 Banquet facility permits.

Sec. 522.

(1) The commission may issue 1 banquet facility permit to an on-premise licensee, as an extension of that on-premise license, for the serving of alcoholic liquor only on the permitted premises. This section does not limit the number of banquet facility permits that the commission may issue within any local unit of government. The banquet facility shall be used only for scheduled functions and events, shall not have regular meal service, and shall not be generally open to the public. The applicant shall provide documentation that demonstrates a preexisting ownership or lease interest in the banquet facility.

(2) The commission shall charge an initial permit issuance fee and, upon renewal of the permit, a permit renewal fee sufficient to cover the cost of administering the issuance and renewal of the permit. The fees shall be $600.00.

(3) The banquet facility permit expires on the same date as the on-premise license and may be renewed in conjunction with that license. The commission shall issue the permit only to a licensee to which the following apply:
(a) The licensee does not have a record of any prior offenses or violations that the commission considers to be of such a nature as to pose a threat to the general public if a permit is issued.

(b) The licensee has demonstrated to the commission that at least 50% of the gross receipts of the on-premise license are derived from the sale of food and nonalcoholic beverages prepared for consumption on the licensed premises.

(4) The licensee shall apply on forms provided by the commission and provide information considered necessary by the commission to protect the public interest and welfare including, but not limited to, a diagram of the premises and evidence that the premises meets local safety, building, and health codes.

(5) The commission shall not issue a banquet facility permit unless issuance is approved through adoption of a resolution of the legislative body of the local unit of government within which the permitted facility is located.

History: Add. 1998, Act 282, Imd. Eff. July 27, 1998; -- Am. 1998, Act 416, Imd. Eff. Dec. 21, 1998
Admin Rule: R 436.1501 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.

436.1523 Liquor licenses; ineligibility of law enforcement officers; exception; "law enforcement personnel" defined.

Sec. 523.

(1) A person who holds or whose spouse holds, either by appointment or election, a public office which involves the duty to enforce any of the penal laws of the United States, or the penal laws of this state, or a penal ordinance or resolution of any municipal subdivision of the state, except civil defense volunteer police, mayors or council members of cities, or village presidents, or mayors of home rule cities whose law enforcement authority under the city charter is restricted to emergency situations, or the state treasurer of this state when acting in the capacity of custodian of the assets of the state retirement systems created by the public school employees retirement act of 1979, 1980 PA 300, MCL 38.1301 to 38.1437; the state employees' retirement act, 1943 PA 240, MCL 38.1 to 38.69; the state police retirement act of 1986, 1986 PA 182, MCL 38.1601 to 38.1675; and the judges retirement act of 1992, 1992 PA 234, MCL 38.2101 to 38.2670, and members of these state retirement systems only if the state treasurer makes an investment in the name of the respective retirement system to which the members belong, must not be issued a license, or have an interest, directly or indirectly, in a license if the activity regulated by the license occurs in the same local unit of government within which the person enforces those state or local penal laws unless the official is contractually prohibited from enforcing this act. This subsection does not apply to a spouse of an appointed or elected official holding an office which involves the duty to enforce a penal law described in this subsection if the spouse held a license or an interest in a license for not less than 3 years before marrying the appointed or elected official or if the spouse has voting rights in a public or private club holding the license, which voting rights are derived from ownership of shares to the club, and the spouse participates as a member in good standing of the public or private club or of an advisory board but does not participate in the day-to-day operation of the club. For a licensee excepted from the general prohibition under this section, the commission may periodically review all circumstances of the licensee and his or her spouse regarding the exception. The commission may review and monitor any complaints it receives regarding inappropriate enforcement of this act by or against a person excepted from this section. However, a nonprofit fraternal organization incorporated under the laws of this state, whose membership is not totally composed of law enforcement personnel or public officeholders charged with the duty of enforcing any penal laws or ordinances of a governmental body, may be issued a club liquor license if the organization is otherwise qualified.

(2) As used in this section, "law enforcement personnel" does not include the mayor of a city or the state treasurer of this state when acting in the capacity of custodian of the assets of the state retirement systems created by the public school employees retirement act of 1979, 1980 PA 300, MCL 38.1301 to 38.1437, the state employees' retirement act, 1943 PA 240, MCL 38.1 to 38.69, the state police retirement act of 1986, 1986 PA 182, MCL 38.1601 to 38.1675, and the judges retirement act of 1992, 1992 PA 234, MCL 38.2101 to 38.2670, and members of these state retirement systems only if the state treasurer makes an investment in the name of the respective retirement system to which the members belong.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; --Am.2018, Act 683, Imd. Eff. Dec. 28, 2018

436.1525 License fees; fingerprints; criminal history check; filing completed application; issuance of license within certain period of time; conditional license; report; "completed application" defined.

Sec. 525.

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the following license fees must be paid at the time of filing applications or as otherwise provided in this act and are subject to allocation under section 543:
   (a) Manufacturers of spirits, not including makers, blenders, and rectifiers of wines containing 21% or less alcohol by volume, $1,000.00.
   (b) Manufacturers of beer, $50.00 per 1,000 barrels, or fraction of a barrel, production annually with a maximum fee of $1,000.00, and in addition $50.00 for each motor vehicle used in delivery to retail licensees. A fee increase does not apply to a manufacturer of less than 15,000 barrels production per year.
   (c) Outstate seller of beer, delivering or selling beer in this state, $1,000.00.
   (d) Wine makers, blenders, and rectifiers of wine, including makers, blenders, and rectifiers of wines containing 21% or less alcohol by volume, $100.00. The small wine maker license fee is $25.00. A small wine maker must pay $50.00 for each motor vehicle used for delivery of wine to a retailer.
   (e) Outstate seller of wine, delivering or selling wine in this state, $300.00.
   (f) Outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, delivering or selling mixed spirit drink in this state, $300.00.
   (g) Dining cars or other railroad or Pullman cars selling alcoholic liquor, $100.00 per train.
   (h) Wholesale vendors other than manufacturers of beer, $300.00 for the first motor vehicle used in delivery to retail licensees and $50.00 for each additional motor vehicle used in delivery to retail licensees.
   (i) Watercraft, licensed to carry passengers, selling alcoholic liquor, a minimum fee of $100.00 and a maximum fee of $500.00 per year computed on the basis of $1.00 per person per passenger capacity.
   (j) Specially designated merchants, for selling beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink for consumption off the premises only but not at wholesale, $100.00 for each location regardless of whether the location is part of a system or chain of merchandising.
   (k) Specially designated distributors licensed by the commission to distribute spirits in the original package for the commission for consumption off the premises, $150.00 per year, and an additional fee of $3.00 for each $1,000.00 or major fraction of that amount in excess of $25,000.00 of the total retail value of merchandise purchased under each license from the commission during the previous calendar year.
   (l) Hotels of class A selling beer, wine, and mixed spirit drink, a minimum fee of $250.00 and $1.00 for each bedroom in excess of 20, but not more than $500.00 total.
   (m) Hotels of class B selling beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits, a minimum fee of $600.00 and $3.00 for each bedroom in excess of 20. If a hotel of class B sells beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits in more than 1 public bar, a fee of $350.00 must be paid for each additional public bar, other than a bedroom.
   (n) Taverns, selling beer, wine, and mixed spirit drink, $250.00.
   (o) Class C license selling beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits, $600.00. Subject to section 518(2), if a class C licensee sells beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits in more than 1 bar, a fee of $350.00 must be paid for each additional bar. In municipally owned or supported facilities in which nonprofit organizations operate concession stands, a fee of $100.00 must be paid for each additional bar.
   (p) Clubs selling beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits, $300.00 for clubs having 150 or fewer accredited members and $1.00 for each member in excess of 150. Clubs shall submit a list of members by an affidavit 30 days before the closing of the license year. The affidavit must be used only for determining the license fees to be paid under this subdivision. This subdivision does not prevent the commission from checking a membership list and making its own determination from the list or otherwise. The list of members and additional members is not required of a club paying the maximum fee. The maximum fee must not exceed $750.00 for any 1 club.
   (q) Warehousers, to be fixed by the commission with a minimum fee for each warehouse of $50.00.

(r) Special licenses, a fee of $50.00 per day, except that the fee for the license or permit issued to a bona fide nonprofit association, organized and in continuous existence for 1 year before the filing of its application, is $25.00. The commission shall not grant more than 12 special licenses to any organization, including an auxiliary of the organization, in a calendar year.
(s) Airlines licensed to carry passengers in this state that sell, offer for sale, provide, or transport alcoholic liquor, $600.00.
(t) Brandy manufacturer, $100.00.
(u) Mixed spirit drink manufacturer, $100.00. A mixed spirit drink manufacturer must pay $50.00 for each motor vehicle used for delivery of mixed spirit drink to retailers under section 203b.
(v) Brewpub, $100.00.
(w) Class G-1, $1,000.00.
(x) Class G-2, $500.00.
(y) Motorsports event license, the amount as described and determined under section 518(2).
(z) Small distiller, $100.00. A qualified small distiller must pay $50.00 for each motor vehicle used for delivery to retailers under section 203(20).
(aa) Wine auction license, $50,000.00.
(bb) Nonpublic continuing care retirement center license, $600.00.
(cc) Conditional license approved under subsection (6) and issued under subsection (7), $300.00.
(dd) Outstate self-distributor license, $300.00. An outstate self-distributor must pay $50.00 for each motor vehicle used for delivery of alcoholic liquor to retailers under sections 203(20), 203a, or 203b.

(2) The fees provided in this act for the various types of licenses must not be prorated for a portion of the effective period of the license. Notwithstanding subsection (1), the initial license fee for a license issued under section 531(3) or (4) is $20,000.00. The renewal license fee is the amount described in subsection (1). However, the commission shall not impose the $20,000.00 initial license fee for applicants whose license eligibility was already approved on July 20, 2005.

(3) If the commission requires an applicant to submit fingerprints, the applicant shall have the fingerprints taken by a local law enforcement agency, the department of state police, or any other person qualified to take fingerprints as determined by the department of state police. The applicant shall submit the fingerprints and the appropriate state and federal fees, which shall be borne by the applicant, to the department of state police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a criminal history check. After conducting the criminal history check, the department of state police shall provide the commission with a report of the criminal history check. The report must include criminal history record information concerning the person who is the subject of the criminal history check that is maintained by the department of state police. If a criminal arrest fingerprint card is subsequently submitted to the department of state police and matches against a fingerprint that was submitted under this act and stored in its automated fingerprint identification system (AFIS) database, the department of state police shall notify the commission.

(4) Except for a resort or resort economic development license issued under section 531(2), (3), (4), or (5) or a license issued under section 521a, the commission shall issue an initial or renewal license not later than 90 days after the applicant files a completed application. The application is considered to be received the date the application is received by an agency or department of this state. If the commission determines that an application is incomplete, the commission shall notify the applicant in writing, or make the information electronically available, within 30 days after receipt of the incomplete application, describing the deficiency and requesting the additional information. The determination of the completeness of an application is not an approval of the application for the license and does not confer eligibility on an applicant determined otherwise ineligible for issuance of a license. The 90-day period is tolled for the following periods under any of the following circumstances:
(a) If notice is sent by the commission of a deficiency in the application, until the date all of the requested information is received by the commission.
(b) For the time required to complete actions required by a person, other than the applicant or the commission, including, but not limited to, completion of construction or renovation of the licensed premises; mandated inspections by the commission or by any state, local, or federal agency; approval by the legislative body of a local unit of government; criminal history or criminal record checks; financial or court record checks; or other actions mandated by this act or rule or as otherwise mandated by law or local ordinance.

(5) If the commission fails to issue or deny a license within the time required by this section, the commission shall return the license fee and shall reduce the license fee for the applicant's next

renewal application, if any, by 15%. The failure to issue a license within the time required under this section does not allow the commission to otherwise delay the processing of the application, and the application, on completion, must be placed in sequence with other completed applications received at that same time. The commission shall not discriminate against an applicant in the processing of the application because the license fee was refunded or discounted under this subsection.

(6) If, in addition to a completed application under this section, an applicant submits a separate form requesting a conditional license with an acceptable proof of financial responsibility form under section 803, an executed property document, and, for an application to transfer the location of an existing retailer license other than specially designated distributor license, a church or school proximity affidavit on a form prescribed by the commission attesting that the proposed location is not within 500 feet of a church or school building using the method of measurement required under Section 503, the commission shall, after considering the arrest and conviction records or previous violation history in the management, operation, or ownership of a licensed business, approve or deny a conditional license. A conditional license issued under subsection (7) must only include any existing permits and approvals held in connection with the license, other than permits or approvals for which the conditional applicant does not meet the requirements in this act or rules promulgated under this act, or permits or approvals that the conditional applicant has requested to cancel as part of the application that serves as the basis for the conditional license. The commission shall not issue a new permit with a conditional license issued under subsection (7). The following applicants may request a conditional license:
   (a) An applicant seeking to transfer ownership of an existing retailer license at the same location to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption on or off the premises.
   (b) An applicant seeking to transfer the ownership and location of an existing retailer license, other than a specially designated distributor license, to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption on or off the premises.
   (c) An applicant seeking a new specially designated merchant license, other than a specially designated merchant license issued under section 533 (6), not to be held in conjunction with a license for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises.

(7) The commission shall issue a conditional license to applicants approved under subsection (6) within 20 business days after receipt of a completed application and a completed conditional license request form and documentation for a conditional license at a single location. The commission may take up to 30 business days to issue conditional licenses to approved applicants seeking conditional licenses at multiple locations. However, for an applicant described under this subsection that is seeking a specially designated merchant license under section 533(7), the commission may take up to 45 business days to issue a conditional license. Notwithstanding the applicant's submission of a church or school proximity affidavit under subsection (6), if the commission determines that a conditional license in conjunction with an application to transfer the location of an existing retailer license has been issued under this subsection at a proposed location that is within 500 feet of a church or school building, the commission shall suspend the conditional license and notify the church or school of the proposed location under the rules promulgated under this act. If the commission issues a conditional license under this subsection based on a church or school proximity affidavit under this subsection (6) without knowledge that the representations included in the affidavit are incorrect, this state is not liable to any person for the commission's issuance of the conditional license. The commission may assume without inquiry the existence of the facts contained in the affidavit.

(8) A conditional license approved under subsection (6) and issued under subsection (7) is nontransferable and nonrenewable. A conditional license is required to comply with the server training requirements in section 501(1) beginning on the date a conditional license is issued under subsection (7) regardless of whether the conditional licensee is actively operating under the conditional license.

(9) A conditional license approved under subsection (6) and issued under subsection (7) expires when the first of the following occurs:
   (a) The commission issues an order of denial of the license application that serves as the basis for the conditional license and all administrative remedies before the commission have been exhausted.
   (b) The commission issues the license under subsection (4) for which the applicant submitted the license application that serves as the basis for the conditional license.

(c) The licensee or conditional licensee notifies the commission in writing that the initial or conditional application should be canceled.
(d) One year passes after the date the conditional license was issued, notwithstanding any suspension of the conditional license by the commission.

(10) If a conditional licensee fails to maintain acceptable proof of its financial responsibility as required under section 803, the commission shall summarily suspend the conditional license under section 92(2) of the Administrative Procedures Act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.292, until the conditional licensee files an acceptable proof of financial responsibility form under section 803. If a conditional license is revoked, the conditional licensee shall not recover from this state or a unit of local government any compensation for property, future income, or future economic loss because of the revocation.

(11) On issuing a conditional license under subsection (7), the commission shall, until the conditional license expires under subsection (9), place the existing license under subsection (4) for which the applicant submitted the application that serves as the basis for the conditional license in escrow in compliance with R 436.1107 of the Michigan Administrative Code. If the conditional license expires under subsection (9), an existing license may do 1 of the following:
(a) Request that the commission release the license from escrow.
(b) Keep the license in escrow. The escrow date for compliance with R 436.1107 of the Michigan Administrative Code is the date the conditional license expires.

(12) The chair of the commission shall submit a report by December 1 of each year to the standing committees and appropriations subcommittees of the senate and house of representatives concerned with liquor license issues. The chair of the commission shall include all of the following information in the report concerning the preceding fiscal year:
(a) The number of initial and renewal applications the commission received and completed within the 90-day time period described in subsection (4).
(b) The number of applications denied.
(c) The number of applicants not issued a license within the 90-day time period and the amount of money returned to licensees under subsection (5).

(13) As used in this section, "completed application" means an application complete on its face and submitted with any applicable licensing fees as well as any other information, records, approval, security, or similar item required by law or rule from a local unit of government, a federal agency, or a private entity but not from another department or agency of this state.

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Constitutionality: In Granholm v Heald, 544 US 460 (2005), the United States Supreme Court held that Michigan laws regulating direct shipment of alcohol to in-state consumers discriminated against interstate commerce in violation of clause 3 of section 8 of article 1 of the United States Constitution, and that the powers granted to states under the 21st Amendment to the United States Constitution do not authorize violation of other constitutional provisions.

436.1526 Beer festival; issuance of special license; limitation; buying directly from licensed brewpub; "beer festival" defined.

Sec. 526.

(1) The commission may issue a special license under this section to an organization conducting a beer festival. The application must conform to the following:
(a) Be submitted by a nonprofit entity composed primarily of brewers, micro brewers, and brewpubs, as determined by the commission.
(b) Involve an event having for its primary purpose the showcasing of beer and its production.
(c) Be accompanied by a fee of $25.00 per day of the event.

(2) The special license must not allow more than 6 events per calendar year conforming to the requirements of subsection (1). For purposes of this subsection, a beer festival that spans 2 or more consecutive days is considered 1 event.

(3) A holder of a special license issued under this section may buy a quantity of beer directly from any licensed brewpub or wholesaler or directly from a micro brewer eligible to self-distribute to the beer festival for consumption only at the licensed event.

(4) Notwithstanding anything in this act to the contrary, beer that is dispensed to consumers for showcasing beer at a beer festival is considered a sample. A holder of a special license issued under this section may offer beer described in this subsection without consideration.

(5) A member, who is 18 years of age or older, of an organization that holds a special license issued under this section may serve beer at the event.
(6) As used in this section and section 413, "beer festival" means an event at which the various types and kinds of beer and the production of that beer are showcased to the general public and at which the general public can purchase and sample the beer being showcased for consumption on the licensed premises.

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436.1527 Special license for nonprofit charitable organization; issuance; nontransferable; fee; auction.

Sec. 27.

(1) The commission may issue a special license to a nonprofit charitable organization that is exempt from the payment of taxes under the internal revenue code for the purpose of allowing the organization to sell, at auction, wine donated to the organization.
(2) A special license issued pursuant to subsection (1) is not transferable. The organization applying for the special license shall pay the fee required under section 525(1)(r).
(3) An auction permitted under subsection (1) may occur upon premises which are otherwise licensed under this act to allow the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the licensed premises.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1999

436.1529 Transfer of license or interest in license; notice of transfer of stock in licensed corporation or licensed limited partnership; investigation to ensure compliance; approval; transfer fee; inspection fee.

Sec. 529.

(1) A license or an interest in a license shall not be transferred from 1 person to another without the prior approval of the commission. For purposes of this section, the transfer in the aggregate to another person during any single licensing year of more than 10% of the outstanding stock of a licensed corporation or more than 10% of the total interest in a licensed limited partnership shall be considered to be a transfer requiring the prior approval of the commission.
(2) Not later than July 1 of each year, each privately held licensed corporation and each licensed limited partnership shall notify the commission as to whether any of the shares of stock in the corporation, or interest in the limited partnership, have been transferred during the preceding licensing year. The commission may investigate the transfer of any number of shares of stock in a licensed corporation, or any amount of interest in a licensed limited partnership, for the purpose of ensuring compliance with this act and the rules promulgated under this act.
(3) Except as otherwise provided in subdivisions (a) through (f), upon approval by the commission of a transfer subject to subsection (1), there shall be paid to the commission a transfer fee equal to the fee provided in this act for the class of license being transferred. A transfer fee shall not be prorated for a portion of the effective period of the license. If a person holding more than 1 license or more than 1 interest in a license at more than 1 location, but in the name of a single legal entity, transfers all of the licenses or interests in licenses simultaneously to another single legal entity, the transfers shall be considered 1 transfer for purposes of determining a transfer fee, payable in an amount equal to the highest license fee provided in this act for any of the licenses, or interests in licenses, being transferred. A transfer fee shall not be required in regard to any of the following:
    (a) The transfer, in the aggregate, of less than 50% of the outstanding shares of stock in a licensed corporation or less than 50% of the total interest in a licensed limited partnership during any licensing year.
    (b) The exchange of the assets of a licensed sole proprietorship, licensed general partnership, or licensed limited partnership for all outstanding shares of stock in a corporation in which either the sole proprietor, all members of the general partnership, or all members of the limited partnership are the only stockholders of that corporation. An exchange under this subdivision shall not be considered an application for a license for the purposes of section 501.

(c) The transfer of the interest in a licensed business of a deceased licensee, a deceased stockholder, or a deceased member of a general or limited partnership to the deceased person's spouse or children.
(d) The removal of a member of a firm, a stockholder, a member of a general partnership or limited partnership, or association of licensees from a license.
(e) The addition to a license of the spouse, son, daughter, or parent of any of the following:
(i) A licensed sole proprietor.
(ii) A stockholder in a licensed corporation.
(iii) A member of a licensed general partnership, licensed limited partnership, or other licensed association.
(f) The occurrence of any of the following events:
(i) A corporate stock split of a licensed corporation.
(ii) The issuance to a stockholder of a licensed corporation of previously unissued stock as compensation for services performed.
(iii) The redemption by a licensed corporation of its own stock.

(4) A nonrefundable inspection fee of $70.00 shall be paid to the commission by an applicant or licensee at the time of filing any of the following:
(a) An application for a new license or permit.
(b) A request for approval of a transfer of ownership or location of a license.
(c) A request for approval to increase or decrease the size of the licensed premises, or to add a bar.
(d) A request for approval of the transfer in any licensing year of any of the shares of stock in a licensed corporation from 1 person to another, or any part of the total interest in a licensed limited partnership from 1 person to another.

(5) An inspection fee shall be returned to the person by whom it was paid if the purpose of the inspection was to inspect the physical premises of the licensee, and the inspection was not actually conducted. An inspection fee shall not be required for any of the following:
(a) The issuance or transfer of a special license, salesperson license, limited alcohol buyer license, corporate salesperson license, hospital permit, military permit, or Sunday sale of spirits permit.
(b) The issuance of a new permit, or the transfer of an existing permit, if the permit is issued or transferred simultaneously with the issuance or transfer of a license or an interest in a license.
(c) The issuance of authorized but previously unissued corporate stock to an existing stockholder of a licensed corporation.
(d) The transfer from a corporation to an existing stockholder of any of the corporation's stock that is owned by the corporation itself.

(6) All inspection fees collected under this section shall be deposited in the special fund in section 543 for carrying out of the licensing and enforcement provisions of this act.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1531 Public licenses and resort license; on-premises escrowed license; limitations and quotas; additional licenses for certain establishments; license for certain events at public university; outdoor stadium; economic development factors; exceptions as to certain veterans and airports; special state census of local governmental unit; rules; availability of transferable licenses held in escrow; on-premises escrowed or quota license; issuance of available licenses; report; hotels; escrowed specially designated distributor license; transfer; applicability of administrative rule; definitions.

Sec. 531.

(1) The commission shall not issue a public license for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises if the issuance would result in more than 1 license for each 1,500 of population or major fraction of 1,500 population. An on-premises escrowed license issued under this subsection may be transferred, subject to local legislative approval under section 501(2), to an applicant whose proposed operation is located within any local governmental unit in a county in which the escrowed license was located. If the local governmental unit within which the former licensee's premises were located spans more than 1 county, an escrowed license may be transferred, subject to local legislative approval under section 501(2), to an applicant whose proposed operation is located

within any local governmental unit in either county. If an escrowed license is activated within a local governmental unit other than that local governmental unit within which the escrowed license was originally issued, the commission shall count that activated license against the local governmental unit originally issuing the license. The quota under this subsection does not bar the right of an existing licensee to renew a license or transfer the license and does not bar the right of an on-premises licensee of any class to reclassify to another class of on-premises license in a manner not in violation of law or this act, subject to the consent of the commission. The upgrading of a license resulting from a request under this subsection is subject to approval by the local governmental unit having jurisdiction.

(2) In a resort area, the commission may issue no more than 550 licenses for a period not to exceed 12 months without regard to a limitation because of population and with respect to the resort license the commission, by rule, shall define and classify resort seasons by months and may issue 1 or more licenses for resort seasons without regard to the calendar year or licensing year.

(3) In addition to the resort licenses authorized in subsection (2), the commission may issue not more than 5 additional licenses per year to establishments whose business and operation, as determined by the commission, is designed to attract and accommodate tourists and visitors to the resort area, whose primary purpose is not for the sale of alcoholic liquor, and whose capital investment in real property, leasehold improvement, and fixtures for the premises to be licensed is $75,000.00 or more. Further, the commission shall issue 1 license under this subsection per year to an applicant located in a rural area that has a poverty rate, as defined by the latest decennial census, greater than the statewide average, or that is located in a rural area that has an unemployment rate higher than the statewide average for 3 of the 5 preceding years. In counties having a population of less than 50,000, as determined by the last federal decennial census or as determined under subsection (15) and subject to subsection (20) for a class A hotel or a class B hotel, the commission shall not require the establishments to have dining facilities to seat more than 50 persons. The commission may cancel the license if the resort is no longer active or no longer qualifies for the license. Before January 16 of each year the commission shall transmit to the legislature a report giving details as to all of the following:
   (a) The number of applications received under this subsection.
   (b) The number of licenses granted and to whom.
   (c) The number of applications rejected and the reasons they were rejected.
   (d) The number of the licenses revoked, suspended, or as to which other disciplinary action was taken, the names of the licensees, and the grounds for revocation, suspension, or disciplinary action.

(4) In addition to any licenses for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises that may be available in the local governmental unit under subsection (1) and the resort licenses authorized in subsections (2) and (3), the commission may issue not more than 15 resort economic development licenses per year. A person is eligible to apply for a resort economic development license under this subsection on submitting an application to the commission and demonstrating all of the following:
   (a) The establishment's business and operation, as determined by the commission, is designed to attract and accommodate tourists and visitors to the resort area.
   (b) The establishment's primary business is not the sale of alcoholic liquor.
   (c) The capital investment in real property, leasehold improvement, fixtures, and inventory for the premises to be licensed is in excess of $1,500,000.00.
   (d) The establishment does not allow or permit casino gambling on the premises.

(5) In governmental units having a population of 50,000 or less, as determined by the last federal decennial census or as determined under subsection (15), in which the quota of specially designated distributor licenses, as provided by section 533, has been exhausted, the commission may issue not more than a total of 15 additional specially designated distributor licenses per year to established merchants whose business and operation, as determined by the commission, is designed to attract and accommodate tourists and visitors to the resort area. A specially designated distributor license issued under this subsection may be issued at a location within 2,640 feet of existing specially designated distributor license locations. A specially designated distributor license issued under this subsection does not bar another specially designated distributor licensee from transferring location to within 2,640 feet of that licensed location. A specially designated distributor license issued under section 533 may be located within 2,640 feet of a specially designated distributor license issued under this subsection. The person signing the application for a specially designated distributor license under this subsection shall state that the person attempted to secure

an escrowed specially designated distributor license or quota license and that, to the best of the person's knowledge, an escrowed specially designated distributor license or quota license is not readily available within the county in which the applicant for the specially designated distributor license under this subsection proposes to operate.

(6) In addition to any licenses for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises that may be available in the local governmental unit under subsection (1), and the resort or resort economic development licenses authorized in subsections (2), (3), and (4), and notwithstanding section 519, the commission may issue not more than 5 additional special purpose licenses in any calendar year for the sale of beer and wine for consumption on the premises. The commission may issue a special purpose license under this subsection only for events that are to be held from May 1 to September 30, are artistic in nature, and that are to be held on the campus of a public university with an enrollment of 30,000 or more students. A special purpose license is valid for 30 days or for the duration of the event for which it is issued, whichever is less. The fee for a special purpose license is $50.00. A special purpose license may be issued only to a corporation that meets all of the following requirements:
   (a) The corporation is a nonprofit corporation organized under the nonprofit corporation act, 1982 PA 162, MCL 450.2101 to 450.3192.
   (b) The corporation has a board of directors constituted of members of whom half are elected by the public university at which the event is scheduled and half are elected by the local governmental unit.
   (c) The corporation has been in continuous existence for not less than 6 years.

(7) Notwithstanding the local legislative body approval requirement of section 501(2) and notwithstanding section 519, the commission may issue, without regard to the quota requirement of subsection (1) and with the approval of the governing board of the university, either a tavern or class C license that may be used only for regularly scheduled events at a public university's established outdoor program or festival at a facility on the campus of a public university having a head count enrollment of 10,000 students or more. The commission may issue a license under this subsection only to the governing board of a public university, a person that is the lessee or concessionaire of the governing board of the university, or both. A license issued under this subsection is not transferable as to ownership or location. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a license issued under this subsection may not be issued at an outdoor stadium customarily used for intercollegiate athletic events. A license may be issued at an outdoor stadium customarily used for intercollegiate athletic events for not more than 30 consecutive days to a concessionaire of an entity granted exclusive use of a public university's property in conjunction with a hockey game sanctioned by an unincorporated not-for-profit association that operates a major professional ice hockey league consisting of teams located in Canada and in the United States or in conjunction with a professional international soccer match between 2 international soccer clubs as part of a tournament sanctioned by a not-for-profit association that is the governing body for soccer in the United States and organized and promoted by a match agent that is licensed by the international governing body for soccer if the concessionaire has entered into an agreement granting it control of the licensed premises for the purposes of complying with this act and rules promulgated under this act regarding the sale of alcoholic liquor. A nationally televised game between 2 professional hockey teams or 2 professional soccer clubs played outdoors is considered an established outdoor program for the purposes of this subsection. Notwithstanding any provision of this act or any rule promulgated under this act, a concessionaire obtaining a license under this subsection may share the profits generated from that license with an unincorporated not-for-profit association that operates a major professional ice hockey league consisting of teams located in Canada and in the United States or an affiliated entity under a written contract reviewed by the commission or with a licensed match agent and a promoter that organizes and promotes international soccer matches under a written contact reviewed by the commission. If the established outdoor program is a nationally televised game between 2 professional hockey teams or 2 professional international soccer clubs, the commission may allow the promotion and advertising of alcoholic liquor brands on the campus of a public university where a concessionaire has been issued a license under this subsection for the duration of the license.

(8) Notwithstanding the local legislative body approval requirement of section 501(2) and notwithstanding section 519, and subject to subsection (10), the commission may issue to the governing board of a public university, without regard to the quota requirement of subsection (1) and with the approval of the governing board of the university, not more than 5 tavern licenses, 5 class C licenses, or any combination of tavern or class C licenses, not to exceed 5 licenses total,

which are not transferrable, that may be used for scheduled events within the public area of a facility on university property that is customarily used for intercollegiate athletic events if all of the following conditions are met:

(a) The sales and service of alcoholic liquor conducted under the licenses are conducted by individuals who have successfully completed a server training program as provided for in section 906 and who are not volunteers for an organization working during an event as part of a fund-raising activity for the organization.

(b) Subject to sections 1114 and 1115, the sales and service of alcoholic liquor are limited to 1 hour before the event and while the event is occurring. Consumption of alcoholic liquor purchased on the licensed premises is limited to 1 hour before the event, while the event is occurring, and 30 minutes after the event has ended.

(c) The commission issues a separate license for each facility on university property that is customarily used for intercollegiate athletic events.

(d) The licensee provides in writing to the commission a list of the dates and times of events for which each license issued will be used at least 2 weeks before the start of the events, subject to the following:

(i) The licenses issued under this subsection must not be used for more than 100 days per calendar year in aggregate for all licenses combined for intercollegiate athletic scheduled events.

(ii) The licenses issued under this subsection are not used for more than 5 days per calendar year in aggregate for all licenses combined for other scheduled events.

(e) The sales and service of alcoholic liquor are conducted only at fixed locations within the licensed premises.

(f) Dispensing machines described in section 552 are prohibited on the premises of a license issued under this subsection.

(9) The holder of a special license issued by the commission may sell and serve alcoholic liquor on the premises of a license issued under subsection (8) on dates and times other than the dates and times provided to the commission as required in subsection (8)(d). A licensee that has been issued a catering permit under section 547 may deliver and serve alcoholic liquor at a private event on the premises of a license issued under subsection (8) on dates and times other than the dates and times provided the commission as required in subsection (8)(d).

(10) If applicable, the commission may issue only the following permits, permissions, or approvals to be held in conjunction with a license issued under subsection (8):

(a) If the license is a class C license, additional bars under section 525(1)(o).

(b) Dance permit.

(c) Direct connection.

(d) Entertainment permit.

(e) Extended hours permit.

(f) Off-premises storage.

(g) Participation permit.

(h) Specific purpose permit.

(i) Sunday sales permit.

(11) The commission shall not approve an outdoor service area under R 436.1419 of the Michigan Administrative Code for a license issued under subsection (8). The outdoor portion of an outdoor facility on university property that is customarily used for intercollegiate athletic events issued a license under subsection (8) is not considered an outdoor service area.

(12) In issuing a resort or resort economic development license under subsection (3), (4), or (5), the commission shall consider economic development factors of the area in issuing licenses to establishments designed to stimulate and promote the resort and tourist industry. The commission shall not transfer a resort or resort economic development license issued under subsection (3), (4), or (5) to another location. If the licensee goes out of business the license must be surrendered to the commission.

(13) The limitations and quotas of this section are not applicable to issuing a new license to a veteran of the armed forces of the United States who was honorably discharged or released under honorable conditions from the Armed Forces of the United States and who had by forced sale disposed of a similar license within 90 days before or after entering or while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States, as a part of the person's preparation for that service if the application for a new license is submitted for the same governmental unit in which the previous license was

issued and within 60 days after the discharge of the applicant from the Armed Forces of the United States.

(14) The limitations and quotas of this section are not applicable to issuing a new license or renewing an existing license where the property or establishment to be licensed is situated in or on land on which an airport owned by a county or in which a county has an interest is situated.

(15) For purposes of implementing this section a special state census of a local governmental unit may be taken at the expense of the local governmental unit by the Census Bureau or the secretary of state under section 6 of the home rule city act, 1909 PA 279, MCL 117.6. The special census must be initiated by resolution of the governing body of the local governmental unit involved. The secretary of state may promulgate additional rules necessary for implementing this section under the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.

(16) Before granting an approval as required in section 501(2) for a license to be issued under subsection (2), (3), or (4), a local legislative body shall disclose the availability of transferable licenses held in escrow for more than 1 licensing year within that respective local governmental unit. The local governmental unit shall provide public notice of the meeting to consider the granting of the license by the local governmental unit 2 weeks before the meeting

(17) The person signing the application for an on-premises resort or resort economic development license shall state and verify that the person attempted to secure an on-premises escrowed license or quota license and that, to the best of the person's knowledge, an on-premises escrowed license or quota license is not readily available within the county in which the applicant for the on-premises resort or resort economic development license proposes to operate.

(18) The commission shall not issue an on-premises resort or resort economic development license if the county within which the resort or resort economic development license applicant proposes to operate has not issued all on-premises licenses available under subsection (1) or if an on-premises escrowed license exists and is readily available within the local governmental unit in which the applicant for the on-premises resort or resort economic development license proposes to operate. The commission may waive the provisions of this subsection on a showing of good cause.

(19) The commission shall annually report to the legislature the names of the businesses issued licenses under this section and their locations.

(20) The commission shall not require a class A hotel or a class B hotel licensed under subsection (2), (3), or (4) to provide food service to registered guests or to the public.

(21) Subject to the limitation and quotas in subsection (1) and to local legislative approval under section 501(2), the commission may approve the transfer of ownership and location of an on-premises escrowed license within the same county to a class G-1 or class G-2 license or may approve the reclassification of an existing on-premises license at the location to be licensed to a class G-1 license or to a class G-2 license, subject to subsection (1). Resort or economic development on-premises licenses created under subsection (3) or (4) may not be issued as, or reclassified to, a class G-1 or class G-2 license.

(22) An escrowed specially designated distributor license may be transferred, with the consent of the commission, to an applicant whose proposed operation is located within any local governmental unit in a county in which the specially designated distributor license is located. If the local governmental unit within which the escrowed specially designated distributor license is located spans more than 1 county, the license may be transferred to an applicant whose proposed operation is located within any local governmental unit in either county. If the specially designated distributor license is activated within a local governmental unit other than that local governmental unit within which the specially designated distributor license was originally issued, the commission shall count that activated license against the local governmental unit originally issuing the specially designated distributor license.

(23) Subsection (8) of R 436.1135 of the Michigan Administrative Code does not apply to a transfer under subsection (22).

(24) As used in this section:

(a) "Escrowed license" means a license in which the rights of the licensee in the license or to the renewal of the license are still in existence and are subject to renewal and activation in the manner provided for in R 436.1107 of the Michigan Administrative Code.

(b) "Readily available" means available under a standard of economic feasibility, as applied to the specific circumstances of the applicant, that includes, but is not limited to, the following:

(i) The fair market value of the license, if determinable.

(ii) The size and scope of the proposed operation.

(iii) The existence of mandatory contractual restrictions or inclusions attached to the sale of the license.

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436.1532 Issuance of club license; public notice; annual filing by club; conduct of club affairs and management.

Sec. 532.

(1) A club license allows the licensee to sell, for consumption on the licensed premises, beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits only to bona fide members of the club who have attained the age of 21 years. As used in this subsection, “bona fide member” means an individual admitted as a charter member or admitted in accordance with the bylaws of the club, who maintains current membership by the payment of annual dues, whose name and address is entered on the list of members, and who has voting rights to regularly elect the board of directors, officers, executive committee, or similar body that conducts the affairs and management of the club. For an incorporated or unincorporated nonprofit veterans’ organization that is a branch or chapter of a national organization or an organization chartered by the United States Congress, a bona fide member includes a member of another branch or chapter who possesses an identification card indicating current membership in the same national or congressionally chartered veterans’ organization. For a branch, chapter, lodge, aerie, or other local unit of a national fraternal nonprofit organization that is exempt from federal income taxes under section 501(c)(8) or 501(c)(10) of the internal revenue code, 26 USC 501, a bona fide member includes a member of another branch, chapter, lodge, aerie, or local unit whose possesses an identification card indicating current membership in the same national fraternal nonprofit association.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3), the commission shall not issue a license to a club unless the club has been in existence for a period of not less than 2 years before the application for the license.

(3) A club shall give public notice of the intent of the commission to issue the club a club license by publication in a newspaper published or in general circulation within the local governmental unit at least 10 days before the commission issues the license. A club that is a chapter of a national organization that has had a license for 10 or more years may apply for a license without a waiting period. Public notice of the commission's intent to renew the club license is not required.

(4) Except for a club paying a maximum fee, within 10 days after February 1 of each year the club shall file with the commission a list of names and residences of its members and make a similar filing of the name and residence with the commission within 10 days after the election of an additional member. The annual filing must include a statement that the club's annual aggregate membership fees or dues and other income, exclusive of the proceeds from the sale of alcoholic liquor, are sufficient to defray the annual rental of its leased or rented premises or, if the premises are owned by the club, are sufficient to meet the taxes, insurance, repairs, and interest on a mortgage on the premises.

(5) The affairs and management of the club must be conducted by a board of directors, executive committee, or similar body chosen by the members. A member, officer, agent, or employee of the club must not be paid, or directly or indirectly receive in the form of salary or other compensation, profits from the disposition of alcoholic liquor to the club or to the members of the club, beyond the amount of salary fixed and voted at meetings by the members or by its directors or other governing body and as reported by the club to the commission, within 3 months after the meeting.

History: Add. 2001, Act 223, Eff. Mar. 22, 2002; --AM. 2018, Act 104, Eff. July 4, 2018

436.1533 Specially designated merchant license; specially designated distributor. License; issuance; conditions, quota; waiver; transfer; limitation; owner or operator of motor vehicle fuel pump on or adjacent to licensed premises; issuance to marina; determination of population.

Sec. 533.

(1) Subject to subsection (12), the commission shall not issue a new specially designated merchant license or transfer an existing specially designated merchant license unless the applicant is an approved type of business. An applicant is not an approved type of business unless the applicant meets 1 or more of the following conditions:
   (a) The applicant holds and maintains a retail food establishment license issued under the food law, 2000 PA 92, MCL 289.1101 to 289.8111. As used in this subdivision, "retail food establishment" means that term as defined in section 1111 of the food law, 2000 PA 92, MCL 289.1111.
   (b) The applicant holds and maintains an extended retail food establishment license issued under the food law, 2000 PA 92, MCL 289.1101 to 289.8111. As used in this subdivision, "extended retail food establishment" means that term as defined in section 1107 of the food law, 2000 PA 92, MCL 289.1107.
   (c) The applicant holds or the commission approves the issuance of a specially designated distributor license to the applicant.
   (d) The applicant holds or the commission approves the issuance of a Class C license to the applicant.
   (e) The applicant holds or the commission approves the issuance of a Class A hotel license to the applicant.
   (f) The applicant holds or the commission approves the issuance of a Class B hotel license to the applicant.
   (g) The applicant holds or the commission approves the issuance of a club license to the applicant.
   (h) The applicant holds or the commission approves the issuance of a tavern license to the applicant.
   (i) The applicant holds or the commission approves the issuance of a class G-1 license to the applicant.
   (j) The applicant holds or the commission approves the issuance of a class G-2 license to the applicant.

(2) A specially designated distributor may apply for a license as a specially designated merchant.

(3) A specially designated distributor license issued under subsection (4) or section 531(5) may be held in conjunction with any of the following licenses:
   (a) A specially designated merchant license.
   (b) Subject to subsection (13), a class B hotel license.
   (c) Subject to subsection (13), a class C license.
   (d) Subject to subsection (13), a combination of licenses in subdivisions (a) and (b) or (a) and (c).

(4) In cities, incorporated villages, or townships, the commission shall issue only 1 specially designated distributor license for each 3,000 of population, or fraction of 3,000. The commission may waive the quota requirement under this subsection if there is no existing specially designated distributor licensee within 2 miles of the applicant, measured along the nearest traffic route.

(5) Except as otherwise provided in this section, in cities, incorporated villages, or townships, the commission shall issue only 1 specially designated merchant license for each 1,000 of population, or fraction of 1,000. The quota under this subsection does not apply to any of the following:
   (a) An applicant for a specially designated merchant license that is an applicant for or the holder of a license listed in subsection (1) (d) to (j).
   (b) An applicant for or the holder of a specially designated merchant license whose licensed establishment meets 1 or more of the following conditions:
      (i) Meets both of the following conditions:
         (A) The licensed establishment is at least 20,000 square feet.
         (B) The licensed establishment's gross receipts derived from the sale of food are at least 20% of the total gross receipts.
      (ii) The licensed establishment is also a pharmacy as that term is defined in section 17707 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.17707.

(c) A secondary location permit issued to a specially designated merchant under section 541.
(d) A specially designated merchant license issued under subsection (7).
(e) A specially designated merchant license issued to a marina under section 539.

(6) The commission may waive the quota under subsection (5) if there is no existing specially designated merchant within 2 miles of the applicant, measured along the nearest traffic route.

(7) The commission shall waive the quota under subsection (5) if both of the following apply:
(a) The applicant applies for the specially designated merchant license within 60 days after January 4, 2017.
(b) The applicant is a retail dealer that holds a license issued under section 6 (1) of the motor fuel's quality act, 1984 PA 44, MCL 290.646. The applicant shall include a copy of the license described in this subdivision with the applicant's application under this subsection. As used in this subdivision, "retail dealer" means that term as defined in section 2 of the motor fuels quality act, 1984 PA 44, MCL 290.642.

(8) A specially designated merchant license issued under this section may be transferred to an applicant whose proposed operation is located within any local government unit in a county in which the specially designated merchant license was located. If the local government unit within which the former licensee's premises were located spans more than 1 county, a specially designated merchant license may be transferred to an applicant whose proposed operation is located within any local governmental unit in either county. If a specially designated merchant license is transferred to a local governmental unit other than that local governmental unit within which the specially designated merchant license was originally issued, the commission shall count that transferred specially designated merchant license against the local governmental unit originally issuing the specially designated merchant license.

(9) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (10), the quota under subsection (5) does not bar the right of an existing specially designated merchant to renew the specially designated license or transfer the specially designated merchant license. This subsection applies to a specially designated merchant license issued or renewed after January 2017.

(10) A specially designated merchant license issued after January 4, 2017 to a person described in subsection (5) (a) or (b) or to a specially designated merchant license issued under subsection (6) may not be transferred to another location.

(11) An applicant for the holder of a specially designated merchant license that owns or operates a motor vehicle fuel pump on or adjacent to the licensed premises is not required to meet the conditions under section 541 as that section existed before January 4, 2017.

(12) For a marina that maintains motor vehicle fuel pumps on or adjacent to the licensed premises or maintains a financial interest in any motor vehicle fuel pumps, the commission may only issue a special designated merchant license to the marina under section 539.

(13) License fees for a specially designated distributor license held in conjunction with a class B hotel license or a class C license as described in subsection (3) must be calculated under section 525(1)(k) based on the total retail value of merchandise purchased from the commission under the specially designated distributor license during the previous calendar year plus the total retail value of the merchandise purchased from the commission under either the class B hotel license or the class C license.

(14) Subject to the quota requirements in subsection (4) or (5), the commission may issue a specially designated merchant license or specially designated distributor license, or both, to a private entity that leases or subleases the licensed premises for the operation of a grocery store located on land owned by Schoolcraft College.

(15) For purposes of this section, population is determined by the latest federal decennial census, by a special census under section 6 of the home rule city act, 1909 PA 279, MCL 117.6, or section 7 of the Glenn Steil state revenue sharing act of 1971, 1971 PA 140, MCL 141.907, or by the latest census and corrections published by the United States department of Commerce, Bureau of the census, whichever is later.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 1998, Act 416, Imd. Eff. Dec. 21, 1998; -- Am. 2016, Act 137, Eff. Aug. 24, 2016; --Am. 2016, Act 434, Imd. Eff. Jan. 4, 2017; --Am. 2018, Act 386, Imd. Eff. Dec. 19, 2018; --Am. 2020, Act 308, Eff. Mar. 24, 2021; --Am. 2025, Act 39, Imd Eff. Dec. 23, 2025

436.1534 Small distiller license.

Sec. 534.

(1) Upon application in a manner acceptable to the commission and payment of the appropriate license fee, the commission shall issue a small distiller license to a person annually manufacturing in this state spirits in an amount not exceeding 60,000 gallons, of all brands combined.
(2) A small distiller may have an approved tasting room and sell at retail in accordance with sections 536 and 537.
(3) This section does not allow the sale of spirits transacted or caused to be transacted by means of any mail order, internet, telephone, computer, device, or other electronic means.

History: Add. 2008, Act 218, Imd. Eff. July 16, 2008; Am. 2018, Act 410, Ind. Eff. Dec, 19, 2018

436.1535 Vendor as authorized to do business.

Sec. 535.

A vendor shall be a person authorized to do business under the laws of this state.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1536 Multiple manufacturing licenses; edibility requirements; operating multiple tasting rooms; compliance requirements; limitations; sale of alcoholic liquor under certain circumstances; samples; earmark for liquor enforcement and license investigation revolving fund; local approval exceptions; samples of mixed spirit drink.

Sec. 536.

(1) Except as provided in section 105(13), the commission shall allow a person to be licensed as more than 1 type of manufacturer in this state.
(2) A person that holds more than 1 type of manufacturing license in this state shall meet all applicable provisions of this act for each type of manufacturing license the person holds.
(3) Subject to the requirements of this section and section 537, the commission may approve a licensed manufacturer to operate 1 or more tasting rooms.
(4) Brewers and micro brewers shall not have more approved tasting rooms than allowed in section 411.
(5) A tasting room may be jointly operated by 2 or more manufacturers if either of the following conditions is met:
    (a) The manufacturers are owned by the same person and their manufacturer premises share the same address.
    (b) The manufacturers are not owned by the same person and their manufacturing premises do not share the same address
(6) A tasting room is treated as licensed premises for purposes of this act.
(7) An approved tasting room located on the manufacturing premises of 1 or more manufacturers that are owned by the same person and whose manufacturing premises share the same address must comply with all of the following:
    (a) The commission must approve and issue an on-premises tasting room permit to the manufacturer or manufacturers.
    (b) The manufacturer or manufacturers must pay the $100.00 initial permit fee, which is renewable annually.
    (c) The manufacturer or manufacturers must be approved for the on-premises tasting room permit by the local legislative body in which the proposed licensed premises will be located, except in a city having a population of 600,000 or more as provided in subsection (18).
    (d) The manufacturer or manufacturers must comply with the server training requirements of section 906.
    (e) The manufacturer or manufacturers must file with the commission proof of financial responsibility providing security for liability under section 801(2) of not less than $50,000.00 as provided in section 803.

(f) A separate on-premises tasting room permit is not required for each license type for a person licensed by the commission under any combination of brewer, micro brewer, wine maker, small wine maker, distiller, small distiller, brandy manufacturer, or mixed spirit drink manufacturer licenses issued to that person at the same manufacturing premises.

(g) The commission shall not issue to a manufacturer or manufacturers a Sunday sales permit, catering permit, dance permit, entertainment permit, specific purpose permit, extended hours permit, or authorization for outdoor service unless the commission has issued an on-premises tasting room permit to the manufacturer or manufacturers. A Sunday sales permit, catering permit, dance permit, entertainment permit, specific purposes permit, extended hours permit, or authorization for outdoor service may be issued concurrently with the issuance of an on-premises tasting room permit.

(h) A brewer, micro brewer, wine maker, small wine maker, distiller, small distiller, brandy manufacturer, or mixed spirit drink manufacturer may own and operate a restaurant or allow another person to operate a restaurant as part of the on-premises tasting room on the manufacturing premises. If the brewer, micro brewer, wine maker, small wine maker, distiller, small distiller, brandy manufacturer, or mixed spirit drink manufacturer allows another person to operate a restaurant on the manufacturing premises, the brewer, micro brewer, wine maker, small wine maker, distiller, small distiller, bandy manufacturer, or mixed spirit drink manufacturer must hold a participation permit naming as a participant the other person. The other person must meet the requirements for a participant in R 436.1041(3) of the Michigan Administrative Code.

(8) Subject to subsection (10), an approved tasting room located off the manufacturing premises of 1 or more manufacturers, other than a brewer, micro brewer, or mixed spirit drink manufacturer, that are owned by the same person and whose manufacturing premises share the same address must comply with all of the following:

(a) The commission must approve and issue an off-premises tasting room license to the manufacturer or manufacturers.

(b) The manufacturer or manufacturers must pay the $100.00 initial license fee, which is renewable annually.

(c) The manufacturer or manufacturers must be approved for the off-premises tasting room license by the local legislative body in which the proposed licensed premises will be located, except in a city having a population of 600,000 or more as provided in subsection (18).

(d) The manufacturer or manufacturers must comply with the server training requirements of section 906 at the off-premises tasting room.

(e) The manufacturer or manufacturers must file with the commission proof of financial responsibility providing security for liability under section 801(2) of not less than $50,000.00 as provided in section 803 for the off-premises tasting room.

(f) A separate off-premises tasting room license is not required for each license type for a person licensed by the commission under any combination of wine maker, small wine maker, distiller, small distiller, or brandy manufacturer licenses issued to that person at the same manufacturing premises.

(g) The commission shall not issue to a manufacturer or manufacturers a Sunday sales permit, catering permit, dance permit entertainment permit, specific purpose permit, extended hours permit, authorization for outdoor service, or permission to maintain a direct connection to unlicensed premises unless the commission has issued an off-premises tasting room license to the manufacturer or manufacturers. A Sunday sales permit, catering permit, dance permit, entertainment permit, specific purpose permit, extended hours permit, authorization for outdoor service, or permission to maintain a direct connection to unlicensed premises may be issued concurrently with the issuance of an off-premises tasting room.

(9) Subject to subsection (10), an approved jointly operated tasting room located off the manufacturing premises of 2 or more manufacturers, other than a brewer, micro brewer, or mixed spirit manufacturer, that are not owned by the same person and whose manufacturing premises do not share the same address must comply with all of the following:

(a) The commission must approve and issue a joint off-premises tasting room license to each of the manufacturers.

(b) Each manufacturer must pay the $100.00 initial license fee, which is renewable annually.

(c) Each manufacturer must be approved for a joint off-premises tasting room license by the local legislative body in which the proposed licensed premises will be located, except in a city having a population of 600,000 or more or as provided in subsection (18).

(d) Each manufacturer must comply with the server training requirements of section 906 at the jointly operated off-premises tasting room.

(e) Each manufacturer must file with the commission proof of financial responsibility providing security for liability under section 801(2) of not less than $ 50,000.00 as provided in section 803 for the jointly operated off-premises tasting room.

(f) Any management agreements with an unlicensed manager of the jointly operated off-premises tasting room must comply with the requirements of R 436.1041 of the Michigan Administrative Code and all the manufacturers must hold a participation permit naming as a participant the unlicensed manager. The unlicensed manager must meet the requirements for a participant in R 436.1041(3) of the Michigan Administrative code

(g) A Sunday sales permit, dance permit, entertainment permit, specific purpose permit, extended hours permit, authorization for outdoor service, or permission to maintain a direct connection to unlicensed premises may be issued in conjunction with a jointly operated off-premises tasting room. All manufacturers licensed at the jointly operated off-premises tasting room location must hold the same permits, permissions, and authorizations at the location.

(h) A violation of this act or the administrative rules by any manufacturer on the premises of the jointly operated off-premises tasting room is a violation by all the manufacturers at the jointly operated off-premises tasting room.

(10) Approved off-premises tasting rooms or jointly operated off-premises tasting rooms described in subsections (8) and (9) must comply with all of the following:

(a) A wine maker, small wine maker, distiller, small distiller, or brandy manufacturer may have 1 of the following:

(i) No more than 5 off-premises tasting room licenses issued under subsection (8) under which alcoholic liquor manufactured by the wine maker, small wine maker, distiller, small distiller, or brandy manufacturer may be sold by the glass for consumption on the premises or samples may be sold or given away for consumption on the premises as provided in subsection (14)(b) and (c).

(ii) No more than 5 joint off-premises tasting room licenses issued under subsection (9) under which alcoholic liquor manufactured by the wine maker, small wine maker, distiller, small distiller, or brandy manufacturer may be sold by the glass for consumption on the premises or samples may be sold or given away for consumption on the premise as provided in subsection (14)(b) and (c).

(iii) A combination of no more than 5 off-premises tasting room licenses issued under subsection (8) and joint off-premises tasting room licenses issued under subsection (9) under which alcoholic liquor manufactured by the wine maker, small wine maker, distiller, small distiller, or brandy manufacturer may be sold by the glass for consumption on the premises or samples may be sold or given away for consumption on the premises as provided in subsection (14)(b) and (c).

(iv) No more than the equivalent number of off-premises tasting room licenses issued under subsection (8), joint off-premises tasting room licenses issued under subsection (9), or a combination of off-premises tasting room licenses issued under subsection (8) and joint off-premise tasting room licenses issued under subsection (9) that were issued before October 1, 2018 under which alcoholic liquor manufactured by the wine maker, small wine maker, distiller, small distiller, or brandy manufacturer may be sold by the glass for consumption on the premises or samples may be sold or given away for consumption on the premises as provide in subsection (14)(b) and (c).

(b) Notwithstanding the limitation in subdivision (a), a wine maker, small wine maker, distiller, small distiller, or brandy manufacturer may have any number of off-premises tasting room licenses or joint off-premises tasting room licenses under which alcoholic liquor manufactured by the wine maker, small wine maker, distiller, small distiller, or brandy manufacturer may only be sold or given away as samples for consumption on the premises as provided in subsection (14)(d).

(c) A wine maker, small wine maker, distiller, small distiller, or brandy manufacturer must designate at the time of application whether the tasting room location for which the off-premises tasting room license or the joint off-premises tasting room license application is being made will sell by the glass as provided in subdivision (a) or provide only samples as provided subdivision (b). The designation made for the off-premises tasting room license or the joint off-premises tasting room license must not be changed after the license has been issued.

(d) All wine makers, small wine makers, distillers, small distillers, or brandy manufacturers licensed at the same approved jointly operated off-premises tasting room must have an identical designation under subdivision (c).

(e) A wine maker, small wine maker, distiller, small distiller, or brandy manufacturer that has an off-premises tasting room or jointly operated off-premises tasting room location that was approved by the commission before December 19, 2018 must submit to the commission in writing a designation as required under subdivision (c) by April 1, 2019.

(11) A wine maker, small wine maker, brewer, micro brewer, distiller, small distiller, brandy manufacturer, or mixed spirit drink manufacturer may add a nonalcoholic mixing ingredient or an alcoholic mixing ingredient manufactured by the wine maker, small wine maker, brewer, micro brewer, distiller, small distiller, brandy manufacturer, or mixed spirit drink manufacturer to sampled or purchased alcoholic liquor if the sampled or purchased alcoholic liquor is consumed on the premises of the approved tasting room.

(12) A manufacturer is not a retailer under this act merely because the manufacturer has a tasting room.

(13) A manufacturer with an approved tasting room may sample and sell alcoholic liquor only as specifically allowed in this act.

(14) A manufacturer may do all of the following:

(a) Sell alcoholic liquor it manufactured for consumption off the premises in an approved tasting room under subsections (7) to (9).

(b) Subject to subsection (10)(a), sell alcoholic liquor it manufactured by the glass or consumption on the premises of an approved tasting room under subsections (7) to (9).

(c) Subject to subsection (10)(a), sell or give away samples of any size of alcoholic liquor it manufactured for consumption on the premises of an approved tasting room under subsections (7) to (9).

(d) Subject to subsection (10)(b), sell or give away samples of alcoholic liquor it manufactured for consumption on the premises of an approved tasting room under subsections (8) and (9) under all of the following conditions:

(i) A wine maker or small wine maker may offer samples of wine that no not exceed 3 ounces per sample.

(ii) A brandy manufacturer may offer samples of brandy that do not exceed 1/2 ounce per sample.

(iii) A distiller or small distiller may offer samples of spirits or mixed spirit drinks that do not exceed 1/2 ounce per sample.

(15) An on-premises tasting room permit issued under subsection (7) and an off-premises tasting room license issued under subsection (8) may be held in conjunction at the same location by the same person if either of the following conditions is met:

(a) The person holds the on-premises tasting room permit issued under subsection (7) in conjunction with a brewer or micro brewer license only and no other manufacturing license, and the off-premises tasting room license issued under subsection (8) at the same location.

(b) Both of the following conditions are met:

(i) The person holds an on-premises tasting room permit issued under subsection (7) in conjunction with a micro brewer, small distiller, or small wine maker license, or any combination of micro brewer, small distiller, or small wine maker licenses, and the off-premises tasting room license issued under subsection (8) at the same location.

(ii) The commission issued to the person both the permit and applicable licenses described in subparagraph (i), or their equivalent at the time of issuance, before October 1, 2018.

(16) A manufacturer issued a license before December 19, 2018 that intends to sell for consumption off its licensed premises or sell, serve, and allow consumption on its licensed premises of alcoholic liquor as allowed under this section and section 537 must comply with this section by April 1, 2019.

(17) The revenue received from subsection (7) must be deposited into the liquor control enforcement and license investigation revolving fund under section 543(9).

(18) Local approval under subsection (7) (c), (8) (c), or (9) (c) is not required for a tasting room that was in existence before December 19, 2018.

(19) A small distiller or distiller that also holds a mixed spirit drink manufacturer license may do all of the following:

(a) Sell mixed spirit drink it manufactured for consumption off the licensed premises of an approved tasting room under subsections (8) and (9).

(b) Subject to subsection (10)(a), sell mixed spirit drink it manufactured for consumption on the premises of an approved tasting room under subsections (8) and (9).

(c) Subject to subsection (10)(a), sell or give away samples of any size of mixed spirit drink it manufactured for consumption on the premises of an approved tasting room under subsections (8) and (9).
(d) Subject to subsection (10)(b), sell or give away samples that do not exceed 3 ounces per sample of mixed spirit drink it manufactured for consumption on the premises of an approved tasting room under subsections (8) and (9).

History: Add. 2018, Act 408, Imd. Eff. Dec 19, 2018; --Am. 2019, Act 131, Imd. Eff. Nov. 21, 2019, --Am. 2020, Act 126, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020 ;-- Am. 2021, Act 20, Imd. Eff. June 3, 2021

Compiler's Notes: Enacting section 1 of Act 347 of 2020 provides:"Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect unless all of the following bills of the 100th Legislature are enacted into law:(a) Senate Bill No. 1138.(b) Senate Bill No. 1139.(c) Senate Bill No. 1140."Senate Bill Nos. 1138, 1139, and 1140, referred to in enacting section 1, were pocket vetoed by the governor on January 5, 2021. Act 347 of 2020 does not go into effect.

436.1537 Classes of vendors permitted to sell alcoholic liquors at retail; sale of wine by wine maker; beer and wine tastings; brandy and spirits tasting; filling and selling growlers with beer; definitions.

Sec. 537.

(1) The following classes of vendors may sell alcoholic liquor at retail as provided in this section:
(a) Taverns, where beer, wine, and mixed spirit drink may be sold for consumption on the premises only.
(b) Class C licensee, where beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits may be sold for consumption on the premises.
(c) Clubs, where beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits may be sold for consumption on the premises only to bona fide members if consumption is limited to these members and their bona fide guests, who are 21 years of age or older.
(d) Direct shippers, where wine may be sold and shipped directly to the consumer.
(e) Hotels of class A, where beer, wine, mixed spirit drink may be sold for consumption on the premises and in the rooms of bona fide registered guests. Hotels of class B where beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits may be sold for consumption on the premises and in the rooms of bona fide registered guests.
(f) Specially designated merchants, where beer, wine, and mixed spirit drink may be sold for consumption off the premises only.
(g) Specially designated distributors, where spirits may be sold for consumption off the premises only.
(h) Special licensee, where beer and wine or beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits may be sold for consumption on the premises only.
(i) Dining cars or other railroad or Pullman cars, watercraft, or aircraft, where alcoholic liquor may be sold for consumption on the premises only, subject to rules promulgated by the commission.
(j) Brewpubs, where beer manufactured on the premises by the licensee may be sold for consumption on or off the premises by any of the following licensees:
(i) Class C.
(ii) Tavern.
(iii) Class A hotel.
(iv) Class B hotel.
(k) Micro brewers and brewers, where beer manufactured by the micro brewer or brewer may be sold in an approved tasting room under section 536 to a consumer for consumption on or off the manufacturing premises.
(l) Class G-1 licensee, where beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits may be sold for consumption on the premises only to members required to pay an annual membership fee and consumption is limited to these members and their bona fide guests.
(m) Class G-2 licensee, where beer and wine may be sold for consumption on the premises only to members required to pay an annual membership fee and consumption is limited to these members and their bona fide guests.
(n) Motorsports event licensee, where beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits may be sold for consumption on the premises during sanctioned motorsports events only.
(o) Wine maker or small wine maker, where wine manufactured by the wine maker or small wine maker may be sold in any of the following ways:
(i) By direct shipment as provided in section 203.

(ii) At retail for consumption on or off the premises in an approved tasting room under section 536.
(iii) As otherwise provided for in this act.

(p) Small wine maker, where wine bottled by the small wine maker may be sold in any of the following ways:
(i) By direct shipment as provided in section 203.
(ii) At retail for consumption on or off the premises in an approved tasting room under section 536.
(iii) As otherwise provided for in this act.

(q) Wine maker or small wine maker, where shiners may be sold in any of the following ways:
(i) By direct shipment as provided in section 203.
(ii) At retail for consumption on or off the premises in an approved tasting room under section 536.
(iii) As otherwise provided for in this act.

(r) Distiller or small distiller, where spirits manufactured by the distiller or small distiller may be sold to the consumer at retail for consumption on or off the premises in an approved tasting room under section 536.

(s) Nonpublic continuing care retirement center license, where beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, mixed wine drink, and spirits may be sold at retail and served on the licensed premises to residents and bona fide guests accompanying the resident for consumption only on the licensed premises.

(t) A small wine maker or an out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a small wine maker, that holds a farmer's market permit, where wine manufactured or bottled by the small wine maker and shiners may be sampled and sold at a farmers' market for consumption off the licensed premises.

(u) A brandy manufacturer where brandy manufactured by the brandy manufacturer may be sold at retail for consumption on or off the premises in an approved tasting room under section 536 located on the manufacturing premises of the brandy manufacturer.

(v) A mixed spirit drink manufacturer where mixed spirit drink manufactured by the mixed spirit drink manufacturer may be sold at retail for consumption on or off the premises in an approved tasting room under section 536.

(2) Notwithstanding section 1025(1), an outstate seller of beer, an outstate seller of wine, a wine maker, a brewer, a micro brewer, or a specially designated merchant, or an agent of any of those persons, that does not hold a license allowing the consumption of alcoholic liquor on the premises at the same licensed address, may conduct beer and wine tastings on the licensed premises of a specially designated merchant under the following conditions:
(a) A customer is not charged for the tasting of beer or wine.
(b) The tasting samples provided to a customer do not exceed 3 servings at up to 3 ounces per serving of beer or 3 servings at up to 2 ounces of wine. A customer shall not be provided more than a total of 3 samples of beer or wine within a 24-hour period per licensed premises.
(c) The specially designated merchant, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, wine maker, micro brewer, or brewer has first obtained an annual beer and wine tasting permit approved by the commission.
(d) The commission is notified, in writing, a minimum of 10 working days before the event, regarding the date, time, and location of the event.

(3) While a beer or wine tasting is conducted under subsection (2), a specially designated merchant, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, wine maker, micro brewer, or brewer, or its agent or employee who has successfully completed a server training program as provided for in section 906, shall devote full time to the beer and wine tasting activity and shall not perform other duties, including the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption off the licensed premises. Beer and wine used for the tasting must come from the specially designated merchant's inventory, and all open bottles must be removed from the premises on the same business day or resealed and stored in a locked, separate storage compartment on the licensed premises when not being used for the activities allowed by the permit.

(4) A wholesaler shall not conduct or participate in beer and wine tastings allowed under a permit issued under subsection (2).

(5) A beer and wine tasting under subsection (2) may only be conducted during the legal hours for the sale of alcoholic liquor by the licensee.

(6) An eligible merchant may fill and sell growlers with beer for consumption off the premises under the following conditions:
   (a) The premises where the filling of growlers takes place comply with the requirements for food service establishments under the food law, 2000 PA 92, MCL 289.1101 to 289.8111.
   (b) The growler is sealed and has a label affixed to it that includes at least the brand name of the beer, the class of the beer, the net contents of the container, and the name of the retailer filling the growler. The label conditions described in this subdivision do not apply to either of the following:
      (i) A brewpub described in subsection (1) (j), but only as to beer that the brewpub produces.
      (ii) A micro brewer or brewer described in subsection (1) (k).
   (c) The eligible merchant or his or her agent or employee does not fill a growler in advance of the sale.
   (d) The eligible merchant or his or her agent or employee only uses containers that have a capacity of 5 gallons or more to fill a growler
   (e) The beer to be dispensed has received a registration number from the commission and has been approved for sale by the commission. The registration condition described in this subdivision does not apply to either of the following:
      (i) A brewpub described in section (1)(j), but only as to beer that the brewpub produces.
      (ii) A micro brewer or brewer described in subsection (1)(k).
   (f) The eligible merchant complies with all applicable rules promulgated by the commission.
(7) A wine maker, brandy manufacturer, small distiller, micro brewer, brewer, or brewpub shall provide water, and may, in the sole discretion of the wine maker, brandy manufacturer, small distiller, micro brewer, brewer, or brewpub, sell or provide other nonalcoholic beverages, for consumption on or off the premises where the wine maker, brandy manufacturer, small distiller, micro brewer, brewer, or brewpub is licensed.
(8) As used in this section:
   (a) "Eligible merchant" means a person that holds a specially designated merchant license.
   (b) "Growler" means any clean, refillable, resealable container that is exclusively intended, and used only, for the sale of beer for consumption off the premises and that has a liquid capacity that does not exceed 1 gallon.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2001, Act 223, Eff. Mar. 22, 2002; -- Am. 2005, Act 166, Imd. Eff. Oct. 6, 2005; -- Am. 2005, Act 269, Imd. Eff. Dec. 16, 2005; -- Am. 2008, Act 218, Imd. Eff. July 16, 2008; Am. 2010, Act 213, Eff. November 17, 2010; Am. 2011, Act. 298, Imd. Eff. Dec. 22, 2011; Am. 2013, Act. 101, Imd. Eff. July 2, 2013; --Am. 2016, Act 514, Eff. Apr. 9, 2017; --Am. 2018, Act 40, Eff. May 29, 2018; --Am. 2018, Act 413, Imd. Eff. Dec. 19, 2018; --Am. 2018, Act 560, Imd. Eff. Dec. 28, 2018; Am. 2020, Act 117, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020 ;-- Am. 2021, Act 19, Eff. Aug. 23, 2021

436.1537a Carryout sales and delivery of alcoholic liquor by an on-premises licensee.

Sec. 537a.

(1) Notwithstanding anything in this act to the contrary, a qualified licensee may fill and sell qualified containers with alcoholic liquor for consumption off the premises under the following conditions:
   (a) The qualified licensee or his or her agent or employee does not fill the qualified container in advance of the sale.
   (b) The qualified licensee complies with all applicable rules promulgated by the commission.
   (c) The qualified licensee or his or her agent seals the qualified container.
(2) Notwithstanding anything in this act to the contrary, a qualified licensee may deliver alcoholic liquor to a consumer in this state if all of the following conditions are met:
   (a) The qualified licensee complies with all laws of this state, including, but not limited to, the prohibition on sales to minors.
   (b) The qualified licensee stamps, prints, or labels on the outside of the qualified container "Contains Alcohol. Must be delivered to a person 21 years of age or older.". The recipient at the time of the delivery shall provide identification verifying his or her age.
   (c) The qualified licensee or his or her agent seals the qualified container.
   (d) If the qualified licensee is a retailer, the alcoholic liquor is delivered by the qualified licensee's employee or a third party facilitator service, as that term is defined in section 203.
   (e) If the qualified licensee is a manufacturer, the alcoholic liquor is delivered by the qualified licensee's employee.
(3) Except as otherwise allowed under this act, a qualified licensee shall not sell alcoholic liquor in its original package under this section.
(4) As used in this section:

(a) "Consumer" means that term as defined in section 203.
(b) "Qualified container" means a clean, sealable container that is for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption off the premises, that has a liquid capacity that does not exceed 1 gallon, and that, after it is filled, is sealed with a device or material that is used to fully close off the container securely with no perforations or straw holes.
(c) "Qualified licensee" means any of the following:
(i) A retailer that holds a license, other than a special license, to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption on the licensed premises.
(ii) A manufacturer with an on-premises tasting room permit issued under section 536.
(iii) A manufacturer that holds an off-premises tasting room license issued under section 536.
(iv) A manufacturer that holds a joint off-premises tasting room license issued under section 536.

History: 2020, Act 125, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020; --Am. 2021, Act 64, Imd. Eff. July 15, 2021; --Am. 2023, Act 95, Imd. Eff. July 19, 2023

436.1539 Marina as specially designated merchant or distributor; license; conditions.

Sec. 539.

A marina that is situated on 1 of the Great Lakes, on that part of an inland waterway or tributary connected to and navigable to 1 of the Great Lakes, or on a Great Lakes connecting waterway may be issued a license as a specially designated merchant or specially designated distributor, notwithstanding the fact that the marina maintains motor vehicle fuel pumps on or adjacent to the licensed premises, or maintains a financial interest in any motor vehicle fuel pumps, if all of the following conditions are met:

(a) The marina's primary business is the sale of boats or the provision of services and supplies to recreational power cruisers and sailboats of the type that typically travel on the Great Lakes.
(b) The fuel pumps are used for dispensing fuel only to boats described in subdivision (a).
(c) The marina is an approved type of business as provided in section 533 (1).

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1541 Motor vehicle fuel pumps.

Sec. 541.

(1) Except as provided in section 539 or subsections (2) to (5), the commission shall not allow an applicant for or the holder of a specially designated distributor license to own or operate motor vehicle fuel pumps on or adjacent to the licensed premises, unless both of the following conditions are met:
(a) One or both of the following conditions exist:
(i) The applicant or licensee is located in a neighborhood shopping center.
(ii) The applicant or licensee maintains a minimum inventory on the premises, excluding alcoholic liquor and motor vehicle fuel, of not less than $250,000.00, at cost, of those goods and services customarily marketed by approved types of businesses.
(b) The site of payment of alcoholic liquor and selection of alcoholic liquor is not less than 5 feet from that point where motor vehicle fuel is dispensed.
(2) The commission shall not prohibit an applicant for or the holder of a specially designated distributor license from owning or operating motor vehicle fuel pumps on or adjacent to the licensed premises, if all of the following conditions are met:
(a) The applicant is located in a township with a population of 7,000 or less that is not contiguous with any other township. For purposes of this subdivision, a township is not considered contiguous by water.
(b) The applicant or licensee maintains a minimum inventory on the premises, excluding alcoholic liquor and motor vehicle fuel, of not less than $12,500.00 at cost, of those goods and services customarily marketed by approved types of businesses.
(c) The applicant has the approval of the township, as evidenced by a resolution adopted by the township and submitted with the application to the commission.
(3) The commission shall not prohibit an applicant for or the holder of a specially designated distributor license from owning or operating motor vehicle fuel pumps on or adjacent to the licensed premises if both of the following conditions are met:
(a) The applicant or licensee is located in either of the following:

(i) A city, incorporated village, or township with a population of 3,500 or less and a county with a population of 31,000 or more.
(ii) A city, incorporated village, or township with a population of 4,000 or less and a county with a population of less than 31,000.

(b) The applicant or licensee maintains a minimum inventory on the premises, excluding alcoholic liquor and motor vehicle fuel, of not less than $12,500.00, at cost, of those goods and services customarily marketed by approved types of businesses.

(4) A person that was issued a specially designated merchant license or specially designated distributor license at a location at which another person owned, operated or maintained motor vehicle fuel pumps at the same location may have or acquire an interest in the ownership, operation or maintenance of those motor vehicle fuel pumps.

(5) The commission may transfer ownership of a specially designated merchant license or specially designated distributor license to a person that owns or is acquiring an interest in motor vehicle fuel pumps already in operation at the same location at which the license is issued.

(6) The commission shall not prohibit an applicant for or the holder of a specially designated merchant license from owning or operating motor vehicle fuel pumps on or adjacent to the licensed premises if the site of payment of alcoholic liquor and selection of alcoholic liquor is not less than 5 feet from that point where motor vehicle fuel is dispensed. This subsection does not apply to a specially designated merchant license issued to a marina under section 539.

(7) If a specially designated merchant's licensed premises are a primary location, the commission may issue a secondary location permit to the specially designated merchant, as an extension of the specially designated merchant's license, for the sale of beer, wine, or both, at the secondary location. The commission shall issue a secondary location permit only to a specially designated merchant to which both of the following apply:

(a) The holder of the specially designated merchant license for the primary location premises or a subsidiary or affiliate of the license holder owns or leases the secondary location.

(b) The holder of the specially designated merchant license for the primary location or a subsidiary or affiliate of the license holder owns or operates motor vehicle pumps at the secondary location.

(8) An applicant for a secondary location permit shall submit an application to the commission in a format provided by the commission and accompanied by an application and initial permit fee of $100.00. The application must include a diagram of the secondary location with the building dimensions and a depiction of the distance measurement described in subsection (6). The secondary location permit expires on the same date as the specially designated merchant license and may be renewed in conjunction with the specially designated merchant license. The secondary location permit holder may renew the secondary location permit by submitting a permit renewal fee of $100.00 and a completed renewal application.

(9) After a specially designated merchant is issued a secondary location permit under subsection (7), if a subsidiary or affiliate of the specially designated merchant owns or operates the secondary location and the subsidiary or affiliate shares the same ultimate controlling party of the specially designated merchant, the secondary location may receive and sell beer, wine, or both under the specially designated merchant's license.

(10) The holder of a secondary location permit shall prominently display the secondary location permit at the secondary location in the point-of-sale area.

(11) As used in this section:

(a) "Neighborhood shopping center" means 1 commercial establishment or a group of commercial establishments organized or operated as a unit, that is related in location, size, and type of shop to the trade area that the unit serves and consists of not less than 50,000 square feet of leasable retail space, and has access to off-street parking spaces.

(b) "Primary location" means licensed premises that meets both of the following conditions:

(i) One or both of the following conditions exist:

(A) The applicant or licensee is located in a neighborhood shopping center.

(B) The applicant or licensee maintains a minimum inventory on the premises, excluding alcoholic liquor and motor vehicle fuel, of not less than $250,000.00, at cost, of those goods and services customarily marketed by approved types of businesses.

(ii) The site of payment of alcoholic liquor and selection of alcoholic liquor is not less than 5 feet from that point where motor vehicle fuel is dispensed.

(c) "Secondary location" means a business operation of the holder of a specially designated merchant license for a primary location, or a subsidiary or affiliate of that license holder,

that takes place on real property, that includes at least 1 building and 1 or more motor vehicle fuel pumps, and that is located on or adjacent to the primary location. On commission approval of the secondary location permit, the secondary location is considered licensed premises and an extension of the licensed primary location.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- 2006, Act 253, Imd. Eff. July 3, 2006; -- Am. 2008, Act 489, Imd. Eff. Jan. 13, 2009; -- Am. 2016, Act 84, Eff. July 11, 2016;-- Am. 2016, Act 434, Imd. Eff. Jan. 4, 2017

436.1543 Disposition and use of retailers' license and license renewal fees; special fund; "license fee enhancement" define

Sec. 543.

(1) Quarterly, on the commission's recommendation, this state shall pay pursuant to appropriation in the manner prescribed by law to the city, village, or township in which a full-time police department or full-time ordinance enforcement department is maintained or, if a police department or full-time ordinance enforcement department is not maintained, to the county, to be credited to the sheriff's department of the county in which the licensed premises are located, 55% of the amount of the proceeds of the retailers' license fees and license renewal fees collected in that jurisdiction, for the specific purpose of enforcing this act and the rules promulgated under this act. Forty-one and one-half percent of the amount of the proceeds of retailers' license and license renewal fees collected must be deposited in a special fund to be annually appropriated to the commission for carrying out the licensing and enforcement provisions of this act. Any unencumbered or uncommitted money in the special fund must revert to the general fund of this state 12 months after the end of each fiscal year in which the money was collected. The legislature shall appropriate 3-1/2% of the amount of the proceeds of retailers' license and license renewal fees collected to be credited to a special fund in the state treasury for the purposes of promoting and sustaining programs for the prevention, rehabilitation, care, and treatment of alcoholics. This subsection does not apply to retail license fees collected for railroad or Pullman cars, watercraft, aircraft, or wine auctions or to the transfer fees provided in section 529.

(2) All license and license renewal fees, other than retail license and license renewal fees and wholesale vendor license and license renewal fees, must be credited to the Michigan craft beverage council fund created in section 303a. On the effective date of the 2018 amendatory act that amended this section, any money in the former grape and wine industry council account is transferred to the Michigan craft beverage council fund.

(3) All retail license fees collected for railroad or Pullman cars, watercraft, or aircraft and the transfer fees provided in section 529 must be deposited in the special fund created in subsection (1) for carrying out the licensing and enforcement provisions of this act.

(4) The license fee enhancement imposed for licenses issued under section 531(3) and (4) must be deposited into a special fund to be annually appropriated to the commission for enforcement and other related projects determined appropriate by the commission. The money representing that amount of the license fees for identical licenses not issued under section 531(3) and (4) must be allocated and appropriated under subsection (1).

(5) The license fee imposed on direct shipper licenses and any violation fines imposed by the commission must be deposited into the direct shipper enforcement revolving fund. The direct shipper enforcement revolving fund is created within the state treasury. The state treasurer shall direct the investment of the fund. The state treasurer shall credit to the fund interest and earnings from fund investments. Money in the fund at the close of the fiscal year must remain in the fund and must not lapse to the general fund. The commission shall expend money from the fund, on appropriation, only for enforcement of section 203 and related projects.

(6) One hundred percent of the wine auction license fee imposed in section 525(1)(aa) must be deposited into the general fund.

(7) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the additional $160.00 license fee imposed on a licensee selling alcoholic liquor between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 12 noon on Sunday is allocated to the general fund.

(8) Wholesale Vendor license fees and license renewal fees must be deposited into the liquor control enforcement and license investigation revolving fund created under subsection (9).

(9) The liquor control enforcement and license investigation revolving fund is created within the state treasury. The state treasurer shall direct the investment of the fund. The state treasurer shall credit to the fund interest and earnings from fund investments. Money in the fund at the close of the fiscal year must remain in the fund and must not lapse to the general fund. The commission shall expend

money from the fund, on appropriation, only for enforcement of this act and the rules promulgated under this act and for license investigations. The commission shall not use more than 35% of the money appropriated to the fund under this subsection to carry out the licensing provisions of this act.

(10) As used in this section, "license fee enhancement" means the money representing the difference between the license fee imposed for a license under subsection 525 (1) and the additional amount imposed for resort and resort economic development licenses under section 525 (2).

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2005, Act 97, Imd. Eff. July 20, 2005; -- Am. 2005, Act 269, Imd. Eff. Dec. 16, 2005; -- Am. 2010, Act 175, Imd. Eff. Sept. 30, 2010; Am. 2010, Act 213, Eff. November 17, 2010; -- Am. 2016, Act 434, Imd. Eff. Jan. 4, 2017; -- Am. 2018, Act 155, Eff. Oct. 1, 2018

436.1545 "Nonpublic continuing care retirement center" defined; license; limitation.

Sec. 545.

(1) As used in this act, "nonpublic continuing care retirement center" means a residential community that, as determined by the commission, meets both of the following conditions:
   (a) Provides full-time residential housing predominantly for individuals over the age of 62.
   (b) Meets 1 of the following conditions:
      (i) Is registered as a facility under former 1976 PA 440 or the continuing care community disclosure act, 2014 PA 448, MCL 554.901 to 554.993.
      (ii) Is a home for the aged licensed under part 213 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.21301 to 333.21335.

(2) The commission, on submission of a completed application, shall grant a nonpublic continuing care retirement center license to an applicant complying with this section. Subject to subsection (4), the commission shall not issue more than 25 licenses under this section. If the holder of a license issued under this section goes out of business, the license must be surrendered to the commission. The commission may allow the transfer of a surrendered license to a new business owner on transfer of the owner's interest in the business if the new business owner meets the same condition under subsection (1) (b) as the previous business owner.

(3) The holder of a nonpublic continuing care retirement center license may sell at retail and serve on the licensed premises beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, mixed wine drink, and spirits, for consumption by a resident or the bona fide guests accompanying the resident, only on the licensed premises.

(4) The commission shall not issue more than 20 licenses under this section to facilities described in subsection (1)(b)(i). The commission shall not issue more than 5 licenses under this section to homes for the aged described in subsection (1)(b)(ii).

History: Add. 2010, Act 213, Eff. November 17, 2010;--Am. 2016, Act 328, Eff. Mar. 8, 2017.

436.1547 Definitions; catering permits.

Sec. 547.

(1) As used in this section:
   (a) "Private event" means an event where no consideration, as defined in section 913, is paid by the guests.
   (b) "Catering permit" means a permit issued by the commission to a specially designated distributor, specially designated merchant, or holder of a public on-premises license for the sale of beer, wine, or spirits, or any combination thereof, that is also licensed as a food service establishment or retail food establishment under the food law of 2000, 2000 PA 92, MCL 289.1101 to 289.8111, which permit authorizes the permit holder to sell and deliver beer, wine, and spirits in the original sealed container to a person for off-premises consumption but only if the sale is not by the glass or drink and the permit holder serves the beer, wine, or spirits. The permit does not allow the permit holder to deliver, but not serve, the beer, wine, or spirits.

(2) Spirits sold by a specially designated distributor, specially designated merchant, or on-premises licensee under a catering permit shall not be sold at less than the minimum retail selling price fixed by the commission, including under rules promulgated by the commission for specially designated distributors under section 229.

(3) The commission may issue a catering permit to a specially designated distributor, specially designated merchant, or public on-premises licensee, as a supplement to that license, to allow the sale and delivery of beer, wine, or spirits in the original sealed container at locations other than

the licensed premises and to require the catering permit holder to serve beer, wine, or spirits at the private event where the alcoholic liquor is not resold to guests. The commission shall not issue a catering permit to an applicant who delivers beer, wine, or spirits but does not serve the beer, wine, or spirits.

(4) This section does not limit the number of catering permits the commission may issue within any local unit of government.

(5) This section does not prevent a catering permit holder from using the catering permit at multiple locations and events during the same time period.

(6) This section does not prohibit a catering permit holder from selling beer, wine, or spirits to a person who has obtained a special license if that catering permit holder serves the beer, wine, or spirits and complies with all catering permit rules promulgated by the commission.

(7) An applicant for a catering permit shall apply on a form approved and provided by the commission and pay an application and processing fee of $70.00 and a catering permit fee of $100.00 on the issuance of the catering permit. The applicant shall also pay the catering permit fee on renewal of the specially designated distributor, specially designated merchant, or on-premises licensee.

(8) The person delivering the beer, wine, or spirits under a catering permit shall verify that the individual accepting delivery is at least 21 years of age. The catering permit holder may utilize a third party that provides delivery service to municipalities in this state that are surrounded by water and inaccessible by motor vehicle to deliver beer, wine, or spirits to the designated location of the private event if the delivery service is approved by the commission and agrees to verify that the individual accepting delivery of the beer, wine, or spirits is at least 21 years of age.

(9) A catering permit holder providing the service, or an employee of the catering permit holder, shall successfully complete a server training program approved by the commission before providing the service.

(10) A catering permit holder delivering the beer, wine, or spirits, or an employee of the catering permit holder, shall have in his or her possession while delivering the beer, wine, or spirits documentation demonstrating that the beer, wine, or spirits being delivered are for a private event being conducted under this section.

(11) A catering permit holder who prepares food or drink for direct consumption through service on the premises or elsewhere shall comply with the requirements for food service establishments under the food law of 2000, 2000 PA 92, MCL 289.1101 to 289.8111.

(12) A catering permit holder is subject to all sanctions, liabilities, and penalties provided under this act or under law.

History: Add. 2011, Act 20, Eff. April 20, 2011

436.1548 Public swimming pool permit; fees; requirements; "public swimming pool" defined.

Sec. 548.

(1) The commission may issue an on-premises public swimming pool permit to an on-premises licensee that is licensed to operate a public swimming pool under part 125 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.12501 to 333.12546. The commission shall charge an initial and an annual fee for an on-premises public swimming pool permit of $350.00. An on-premises public swimming pool permit issued under this section is not transferrable by location.

(2) A holder of an on-premises public swimming pool permit may sell and serve alcoholic liquor in a public swimming pool located on the licensed premises if both of the following conditions are met:

(a) The sales performed under the on-premises public swimming pool permit are made within an exclusive area that is well defined, clearly marked, and not accessible to minors. As an example, and not by way of limitation, an exclusive area is well defined and clearly marked if the exclusive area is delineated by a buoy line. An individual who purchased alcoholic liquor in the exclusive area described in this subdivision may possess alcoholic liquor sold by the holder of the on-premises public swimming pool permit only in the exclusive area and the licensed premises adjacent to the exclusive area.

(b) The sales are conducted by employees of the holder of the on-premises public swimming pool permit who have completed a server training program as provided for in section 906 and the rules promulgated by the commission.

(3) The commission shall develop an application for an annual on-premises public swimming pool permit allowing for licensed activities under this section.

(4) As used in this section, "public swimming pool" means that term as defined in section 12521 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.12521.

History: Add. 2022, Act 100, Imd. Eff. June 14, 2022

436.1551 Social district permit; on-premises licensee serving alcoholic liquor in a commons area designated by a local unit of government

Sec. 551.

(1) The governing body of a local governmental unit may designate a social district that contains a commons area that may be used by qualified licensees that obtain a social district permit. A governing body of a local governmental unit shall not designate a social district that would close a road unless the governing body receives prior approval from the road authority with jurisdiction over the road. If the governing body of a local governmental unit designates a social district that contains a commons area under this section, the governing body must define and clearly mark the commons area with signs. The governing body shall establish local management and maintenance plans, including, but not limited to, hours of operation, for a commons area and submit those plans to the commission. The governing body shall maintain the commons area in a manner that protects the health and safety of the community. Subject to this subsection, the governing body may revoke the designation if it determines that the commons area threatens the health, safety, or welfare of the public or has become a public nuisance. Before revoking the designation, the governing body must hold at least 1 public hearing on the proposed revocation. The governing body shall give notice as required under the open meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 to 15.275, of the time and place of the public hearing before the public hearing. The governing body shall file the designation or the revocation of the designation with the commission. As used in this subsection:
   (a) "Local road agency" means a county road commission or designated county road agency or city or village that is responsible for the construction or maintenance of public roads within this state.
   (b) "Road authority" means a local road agency or the state transportation department.

(2) The holder of a social district permit may sell alcoholic liquor for consumption within the confines of a commons area if both of the following requirements are met:
   (a) The holder of the social district permit sells and serves alcoholic liquor only on the holder's licensed premises.
   (b) The holder of the social district permit serves alcoholic liquor to be consumed in the commons area only in a container to which all of the following apply:
      (i) The container prominently displays the social district permittee's trade name or logo or some other mark that is unique to the social district permittee under the social district permittee's on-premises license.
      (ii) The container prominently displays a logo or some other mark that is unique to the commons area.
      (iii) The container is not glass.
      (iv) The container has a liquid capacity that does not exceed 16 ounces.

(3) If the commission issues a special license to a special licensee located in a social district, for the effective period of the special license, and subject to the commission's approval, the governing body of the local unit of government shall delineate the portion of the commons area to be utilized exclusively by the special licensee and the portion of the commons area to be used exclusively by social district permittees.

(4) A purchaser may remove a container of alcoholic liquor sold by a holder of a social district permit under subsection (2) from the social district permittee's licensed premises if both of the following conditions are met:
   (a) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (b), the purchaser does not remove the container from the commons area.
   (b) While possessing the container, the purchaser does not enter the licensed premises of a social district permittee other than any of the following:
      (i) The social district permittee from which the purchaser purchased the container.
      (ii) A social district permittee whose licensed premises is a class B hotel.

(5) The consumption of alcoholic liquor from a container described in subsection (2)(b) in the commons area as allowed under this section may occur only during the hours of operation under the local management and maintenance plans established by the governing body of the local unit of

government under subsection (1).

(6) A qualified licensee whose licensed premises is shared by and contiguous to a commons area in a social district designated by the governing body of a local governmental unit under this section may obtain from the commission an annual social district permit as provided in this section. The social district permit must be issued for the same period and may be renewed in the same manner as the license held by the applicant. The commission shall develop an application for a social district permit and shall charge a fee of $250.00 for a social district permit. An application for a social district permit must be approved by the governing body of the local governmental unit in which the applicant's place of business is located before the application is submitted to the commission and before the permit is granted by the commission. The $250.00 permit fee under this subsection must be deposited into the liquor control enforcement and license investigation revolving fund under section 543(9).

(7) As used in this section:
   (a) "Commons area" means an area within a social district clearly designated and clearly marked by the governing body of the local governmental unit that is shared by and contiguous to the premises of at least 2 other qualified licensees. Commons area does not include the licensed premises of any qualified licensee.
   (b) "Local governmental unit" means a city, township, village, or charter authority.
   (c) "Qualified licensee" means any of the following:
      (i) A retailer that holds a license, other than a special license, to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption on the licensed premises.
      (ii) A manufacturer with an on-premises tasting room permit issued under section 536.
      (iii) A manufacturer that holds an off-premises tasting room license issued under section 536.
      (iv) A manufacturer that holds a joint off-premises tasting room license issued under section 536.

History: 2020, Act 124, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020; --Am. 2021, Act 64, Imd. Eff. July 15, 2021;--Am. 2022, Act 27, Imd. Eff. Mar. 10, 2022

436.1552 Alcohol dispensing machines; requirements and limitations; violations; penalties; rescission of R 436.1045; "on-premises licensee" defined.

Sec. 552.

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a licensee shall not allow on the licensed premises a machine that dispenses alcoholic liquor directly to a customer.

(2) Subsection (1) does not apply to a dispensing machine that is located in a bedroom or suite of a hotel of a class A or class B hotel licensee.

(3) Subsection (1) does not apply to a dispensing machine that is located at an on-premises licensed establishment if all of the following conditions are met:
   (a) The dispensing machine is located at a customer's table or booth.
   (b) The dispensing machine does not dispense more than 96 ounces of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink in a single order.
   (c) The dispensing machine does not dispense spirits.
   (d) The customer orders the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink from a clerk, servant, agent, or employee of the licensee.
   (e) The on-premises licensee does not sell, offer to sell, or advertise the sale of an unlimited quantity of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink from the dispensing machine.
   (f) The on-premises licensee or a clerk, servant, agent, or employee of the on-premises licensee monitors the sale, service, and consumption of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink from the dispensing machine to ensure compliance with this act and the rules promulgated under this act.

(4) Subsection (1) does not apply to a dispensing machine that is located at an on-premises licensed establishment if all of the following conditions are met:
   (a) The dispensing machine is not located at a customer's booth or table.
   (b) The customer activates the dispensing machine with a secure key card supplied by the on-premises licensee or a clerk, servant, agent, or employee of the on-premises licensee.
   (c) The secure key card under subdivision (b) is attached to the customer at all times, either through a necklace or bracelet, or other means of securing the key card to the customer.
   (d) For each serving, the dispensing machine does not dispense more than 16 ounces of beer, 12 ounces of wine, or 12 ounces of mixed spirit drink.

(e) The dispensing machine does not dispense more than 32 ounces of any alcoholic liquor before the secure key card under subdivision (b) is reactivated by the on-premises licensee or a clerk, servant, agent, or employee of the on-premises licensee.
(f) The dispensing machine does not dispense spirits.
(g) The on-premises licensee or a clerk, servant, agent, or employee of the on-premises licensee monitors the sale, service, and consumption of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink from the dispensing machine to ensure compliance with this act and the rules promulgated under this act.

(5) An on-premises licensee or a clerk, servant, agent, or employee of the on-premises licensee that supplies a secure key card under subsection (4)(b) or reactivates a secure key card under subsection (4)(e) shall comply with section 801.

(6) If an on-premises licensee has a dispensing machine described in subsection (4) located at the on-premises licensed establishment, the commission or any commissioner or authorized agent of the commission designated by the chairperson of the commission may assess a penalty of not more than $2,000.00 on the on-premises licensee for each violation of section 801(1) instead of assessing the penalty under section 903(1) if the on-premises licensee, or clerk, servant, or employee of the on-premises licensee violates section 801(1) regardless of whether the violation is associated with the dispensing machine. If the commission, or any commissioner or authorized agent of the commission designated by the chairperson of the commission assesses a penalty under this subsection, the commission may also suspend or revoke the on-premises licensee's license under section 903(1).

(7) R 436.1045 of the Michigan Administrative Code is rescinded.

(8) As used in this section, "on-premises licensee" means any of the following:
(a) A retailer that holds a license, other than a special license, to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption on the licensed premises.
(b) A manufacturer with an on-premises tasting room permit issued under section 536.
(c) A manufacturer that holds an off-premises tasting room license issued under section 536.
(d) A manufacturer that holds a joint off-premises tasting room license issued under section 536.

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436.1601 Licensing qualifications; wholesale licensee or applicant for wholesale license as individual, partnership, limited partnership, or corporation; prohibitions.

Sec. 601.

(1) Pursuant to section 2 of Amendment XXI of the Constitution of the United States, this state has an interest in ensuring the safety of beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and mixed wine drink that is intended to be sold or is sold by wholesalers to retailers for purposes of human consumption. In order to protect the public health and safety, the commission must be able to inspect and seize beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and mixed wine drink that is in the possession of a wholesaler being offered for sale in this state. The purpose of the inspection described in this subsection is to ensure that the beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or mixed wine drink meets all of the following conditions:
   (a) The beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or mixed wine drink has been registered for sale with the commission.
   (b) The beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or mixed wine drink is not subject to a government mandated or supplier initiated recall.
   (c) The beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or mixed wine drink is not counterfeit.
   (d) The beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or mixed wine drink is labeled in conformance with applicable laws, rules, and regulations.
   (e) The beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or mixed wine drink can be tested by the commission or an agent assigned by the commission.
   (f) The beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or mixed wine drink is not prohibited by this state.
(2) The commission may seize or destroy beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and mixed wine drink that does not meet the conditions of subsection (1).
(3) To enable the commission to carry out the functions described in subsections (1) and (2) and to randomly inspect records required to be maintained by a wholesaler under section 217 and R 436.1641 of the Michigan Administrative Code, a wholesaler or an applicant for a wholesaler license must have a warehouse located in this state and licensed by the commission for the storage, sale, and distribution of beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and mixed wine drink before operating as a wholesaler in this state. This subsection does not require a wholesaler to hold a warehouser license for the wholesaler's licensed premises.
(4) To ensure that all beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and mixed wine drink sold in this state is subject to this section, the importation, sale, transportation, and delivery of all beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and mixed wine drink offered for sale by a wholesaler must meet the requirements of section 204.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; --Am. 2019, Act 125, Imd. Eff. Nov. 21, 2019

436.1602 Procedure for manufacturer canceling agreement with a wholesaler.

Sec. 602.

A manufacturer's termination, cancellation, nonrenewal, or discontinuation of an agreement with a wholesaler as allowed under sections 305(13) and 403(13), as applicable, is void if the manufacturer sells the brand or brands of beer or wine, as applicable, subject to the termination, cancellation, nonrenewal, or discontinuation to a wholesaler or retailer within this state before the expiration of 24 months after the effective date of the written notice provided to a wholesaler as required under section 305(13) or 403(13), as applicable.

History: 2020, Act 116, July 1, 2020

436.1603 Interest in business of other vendor prohibited; placing stock in portfolio under arrangement, trust agreement, or investment trust agreement; issuance and sale of participating shares within state; prohibitions; sale of brandy and spirits by manufacturer or small distiller; conditions; sale by small distiller; interest of brewpub in other locations; interest in business of other supplier; approval pursuant to R 436.1023(3); interest of manufacturer in wholesaler prohibited; delivery of wine by wine maker to retail licensees prohibited; tiers; interpretation of subsection (13); definitions.

Sec. 603.

(1) Except as provided in subsections (5) to (9), subsections (14) to (16), and section 605, a supplier, warehouser, or wholesaler shall not have any direct or indirect financial interest in the establishment, maintenance, operation, or promotion of the business of any other vendor.

(2) Except as provided in subsections (5) to (9), subsections (14) to (16), and section 605, a supplier, warehouser, or wholesaler or a stockholder of a supplier, warehouser, or wholesaler shall not have any direct or indirect interest by ownership in fee, leasehold, mortgage, or otherwise in the establishment, maintenance, operation, or promotion of the business of any other vendor.

(3) Except as provided in subsections (5) to (9), subsections (14) to (16), and section 605, a supplier, warehouser, or wholesaler shall not have any direct or indirect interest by interlocking directors in a corporation or by interlocking stock ownership in a corporation in the establishment, maintenance, operation, or promotion of the business of any other vendor.

(4) Except as provided in subsections (5) to (9), subsections (14) to (16), and section 605, a person shall not buy the stocks of a supplier, warehouser, or wholesaler and place the stock in any portfolio under an arrangement, written trust agreement, or form of investment trust agreement, issue participating shares based on the portfolio, trust agreement, or investment trust agreement, and sell the participating shares within this state.

(5) The commission may approve a brandy manufacturer or small distiller to sell brandy and spirits made by that brandy manufacturer or small distiller in a restaurant for consumption on or off the premises if the restaurant is owned by the brandy manufacturer or small distiller or operated by another person under an agreement approved by the commission and is located on premises where the brandy manufacturer or small distiller is licensed. Brandy and spirits sold for consumption off the premises under this subsection must be sold at the uniform price established by the commission.

(6) The commission shall allow a small distiller to sell brands of spirits it manufactures for consumption on the licensed premises at that distillery.

(7) A brewpub may have an interest in up to 5 other brewpubs if the combined production of all the locations in which the brewpub has an interest does not exceed 18,000 barrels of beer per calendar year.

(8) This section does not prohibit a supplier from having any direct or indirect interest in any other supplier.

(9) The commission may approve the following under R 436.1023(3) of the Michigan Administrative Code, subject to the written approval of the United States Department of Treasury, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau:
   (a) A wine maker participating with 1 or more wine makers in an alternating proprietor operation in accordance with 27 CFR 24.136.
   (b) A brewer participating with 1 or more brewers in an alternating proprietor operating in accordance with 27 CFR 25.52.
   (c) A distiller or small distiller participating with 1 or more distillers or small distillers in an alternating proprietor operation in accordance with 27 CFR 19.141.
   (d) A mixed spirit drink manufacturer participating with 1 or more mixed spirit drink manufacturers in an alternating proprietor operation in accordance with 27 CFR 19.141.

(10) A manufacturer shall not have any direct or indirect interest in a wholesaler.

(11) A wine maker shall not collectively deliver wine, with any other wine maker, to retailers.

(12) Except for a warehouser, all licensees in this state must be separated into 3 distinct and independent tiers composed of the following:
   (a) Supplier tier, comprising suppliers.
   (b) Wholesaler tier, comprising wholesalers.

(c) Retailer tier, comprising retailers.

(13) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (14), the commission shall not allow any of the following:
   (a) A retailer to hold, directly or indirectly, a license in the wholesaler or supplier tier.
   (b) A wholesaler to hold, directly or indirectly, a license in the retailer or supplier tier.
   (c) A supplier to hold, directly or indirectly, a license in the wholesaler or retailer tier.

(14) Subsection (13) does not prohibit a class C, tavern, class A hotel, or class B hotel licensee from receiving a brewpub license or a micro brewer or brewer from having an on-site restaurant.

(15) A person licensed in the supplier tier may manufacture a private label of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink for a retailer if the commission determines that all the following requirements are met:
   (a) The supplier registers the private label with the commission as required under R 436.1611, R 436.1719, and R 436.1829 of the Michigan Administrative Code.
   (b) The supplier, independent of the retailer's involvement, appoints 1 or more wholesalers to distribute the private label as required under section 307 or 401, as applicable. However, if the supplier is a micro brewer, the supplier may distribute the private label in accordance with section 203a.
   (c) The supplier complies with and does not violate section 305 or 403, as applicable.
   (d) The wholesaler engages in commercially reasonable efforts to make the private label available to a retailer that places an order for the private label beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink.
   (e) An appointed wholesaler remains the wholesaler for the private label and any brand extensions of the private label regardless of whether the retailer switches the supplier that manufactures the private label, unless the wholesaler is terminated under section 305 or 403, as applicable.

(16) The commission shall not issue a wholesaler license to a producer of nonalcoholic beverages or an entity that the producer of nonalcoholic beverages has a direct or indirect ownership or financial interest in, if the producer of nonalcoholic beverages or the entity the producer of nonalcoholic beverages has a direct or indirect ownership or financial interest in has a direct or indirect ownership or financial interest in a person licensed in the supplier tier.

(17) As used in this section:
   (a) “Manufacturer” means, notwithstanding section 109(2), a wine maker, small wine maker, brewer, micro brewer, manufacturer of spirits, distiller, small distiller, brandy manufacturer, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, direct shipper, a licensee with an approved tasting room, or a person licensed by the commission to perform substantially similar functions.
   (b) "Private label" means a brand of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink that is manufactured by a supplier on behalf of a retailer using the retailer's recipe or intellectual property.
   (c) “Supplier” means a manufacturer, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, and vendor of spirits or a person licensed by the commission to perform substantially similar functions but does not include a master distributor.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2008, Act 218, Imd. Eff. July 16, 2008; -- Am. 2009, Act 2, Imd. Eff. Mar. 27, 2009; -- Am. 2010, Act 213, Imd. Eff. Nov. 17, 2010; -- Am. 2011, Act 298, Imd. Eff. Dec. 22, 2011; -- Am. 2014, Act 43, Imd. Eff. Mar. 25, 2014;--Am. 2018, Act 407, Imd. Eff. Dec. 19, 2018 ;-- Am. 2021, Act 19, Eff. Aug. 23, 2021; --Am. 2022, Act 226, Imd Eff. Oct. 14, 2022; --Am. 2025, Act 9, Eff. Mar. 24, 2026.

436.1604 Multibranded products; appointment of wholesaler; definition.

Sec. 604.

A supplier that registers a multibranded product with the commission shall appoint the wholesaler or wholesalers that have rights to the supplier's underlying brand. As used in this section, "multibranded product" means any beer, wine, mixed wine drink, or mixed spirit drink that includes 2 or more brands of different suppliers.

History: 2025, Act 66, Imd. Eff. Dec. 23, 2025.

436.1605 Acquisition, development, sale, lease, financing, maintenance, operation, or promotion of real property occupied or to be occupied by another vendor; conditions; denial or approval of arrangement or contract; review; denial, revocation, or suspension of license; wholesaler as party to arrangement or contract prohibited; acquisition, development, sale, lease, financing, maintenance, operation, or promotion of condominium project or unit; exception.

Sec. 605.

(1) A brewer, wine maker, distiller, brandy manufacturer, or the parent company, a subsidiary or an affiliate of a brewer, wine maker, distiller, or brandy manufacturer which parent company, subsidiary, or affiliate is located in this state may acquire, develop, sell, lease, finance, maintain, operate, or promote real property occupied or to be occupied by another vendor, except a wholesaler, if all of the following exist:
   (a) The brewer, wine maker, distiller, or brandy manufacturer has received written approval of the commission before entering into any arrangement or contract between the parties regarding the real property.
   (b) The legislative body of the city, village, or township where the property is located certifies to the commission that the real property is in an urban, commercial, or community redevelopment area.
   (c) Any arrangement or contract entered into between the brewer, wine maker, distiller, brandy manufacturer, its parent company, subsidiary, or affiliate and another vendor shall not directly or indirectly influence or control the brand of alcoholic liquor sold or to be sold by the vendor and shall only be concerned with real property.
   (d) The brewer, wine maker, distiller, brandy manufacturer, its parent company, subsidiary, or affiliate has not acquired, developed, sold, leased, financed, or maintained, operated, or promoted more than 7 real properties that are occupied or to be occupied by another vendor, except a wholesaler.

(2) The commission may deny or approve an arrangement or contract to be entered into under this section. In denying or approving an arrangement or contract, the commission shall consider all of the following:
   (a) That the arrangement or contract to be entered into is concerned only with real property.
   (b) That the certification required under subsection (1)(b) has been received by the commission.
   (c) That the arrangement or contract does not violate this act or the rules promulgated under this act.

(3) The commission may review any arrangement or contract under this section at the time that 1 of the parties to the arrangement or contract applies for or renews a license. The commission may deny, revoke, or suspend the license of a party to the arrangement or contract if the commission finds that the party to the arrangement or contract has violated this act or the rules promulgated under this act.

(4) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (5), a wholesaler shall not be a party to, directly or indirectly, an arrangement or contract under this section.

(5) A manufacturer, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, warehouser, wholesaler, authorized distribution agent, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or vendor of spirits may acquire, develop, sell, lease, finance, maintain, operate, or promote a condominium project or own a condominium unit as its sole property, under the condominium act, 1978 PA 59, MCL 559.101 to 559.276, if that condominium unit is not the licensed premises owned separately by a retailer and if all of the following apply:
   (a) Condominium assessments in the condominium project are based on the proportional area each condominium unit has to the total area.
   (b) A condominium unit operating as a licensed premises operates under a separate name from the condominium project except that cooperative advertising shall be permitted among owners of condominium units for the purpose of promoting the condominium project if the name of a brand or brands of an alcoholic liquor is not mentioned in the advertising.
   (c) Ownership of a condominium unit and participation in a condominium association under this section is not considered a financial interest, interest by ownership, or interest by interlocking directors on stock ownership prohibited by section 603.
   (d) A retailer separately owning a separate condominium unit as sole property does not directly purchase alcoholic liquor from the manufacturer, warehouser, wholesaler, outstate seller of

mixed spirit drink, or vendor of spirits who owns, leases, maintains, finances, or operates the condominium project.

(e) A wholesaler that has a direct or indirect interest in a condominium unit in which a retailer is located does not sell alcoholic liquor to any licensed retail business in which that retailer, or any person having an ownership interest in that retailer, has an ownership interest; and, a retail licensed business in which that retailer, or any person having an ownership interest in that retailer, has an ownership interest does not purchase alcoholic liquor from a wholesaler that has a direct or indirect interest in a condominium or condominium unit in which that retailer is located.

(f) A retailer acquiring a separate condominium unit as sole property pays the fair market value for the unit.

(6) Subsection (5) does not apply to a manufacturer, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, warehouser, wholesaler, authorized distribution agent, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or vendor of spirits with a direct or indirect interest in a license under the Michigan gaming control and revenue act, 1996 IL 1, MCL 432.201 to 432.226. Subsection (5) does not prohibit a direct physical connection between a condominium unit that is the licensed premises and a condominium unit that is not the licensed premises.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2014, Act 45, Imd. Eff. Mar. 25, 2014

436.1607 Eligibility for license as specially designated merchant or specially designated distributor; prohibitions; small distiller; wine maker and small wine maker; brewer as specially designated merchant; brewery hospitality room; sales or deliveries by wholesaler.

Sec. 607.

(1) Except as provided in section 536 (7) (h), a warehouser, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, wholesaler, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or vendor of spirits must not be licensed as a specially designated merchant or a specially designated distributor. A person licensed as a small distiller is not considered to be a specially designated distributor. Beginning December 23, 2007 and in addition to the persons described in this subsection, a wine maker and a small wine maker must also not be licensed as a specially designated merchant or a specially designated distributor. Any wine maker or small wine maker holding a specially designated merchant or specially designated distributor license on December 23, 2007 may continue to hold a specially designated merchant or specially designated distributor license.

(2) A specially designated distributor or specially designated merchant or any other retailer shall not hold a mixed spirit drink manufacturer, wholesale, warehouse, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or outstate seller of wine license. Beginning December 23, 2007, a specially designated distributor or specially designated merchant shall not hold a wine maker or small wine maker license in addition to being prohibited from holding any other license described in this subsection. Any specially designated distributor or specially designated merchant holding a wine maker or small wine maker license on December 23, 2007 may continue to hold a wine maker or small wine maker license.

(3) A brewer, warehouser, or wholesaler must not be licensed as a specially designated merchant. This subsection does not affect the operation of a brewery hospitality room.

(4) A wholesaler may sell or deliver beer, wine, mixed wine drink, and mixed spirit drink to hospitals; military establishments; governments of federal Indian reservations; a border store or airport store as defined in 19 USC 1555(b)(8); a trade association exempt from taxation under section 501(c)(6) of the internal revenue code of 1986, 26 USC 501, whose members are licensed under this act and where the beer, wine, mixed wine drink, or mixed spirit drink is for on-premises consumption and not for resale; and churches requiring sacramental wines and may sell to the wholesaler's own employees to a limit of 2 cases of 24 12-ounce units or its equivalent of malt beverage per week, or 1 case of 12 1-liter units or its equivalent of wine, mixed wine drink, or mixed spirit drink per week.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2005, Act 269, Imd. Eff. Dec. 16, 2005; -- Am. 2008, Act 218, Imd. Eff. July 16, 2008;-- Am. 2018, Act 417, Imd. Eff. Dec. 19, 2018; -- Am. 2025, Act 65, Imd. Eff. Dec. 23, 2025.

436.1608 Distribution and sale of alcoholic beverages; prohibited conduct by manufacturers; violation; civil fine; financial records.

Sec. 608.

(1) The purpose of this section is to exercise this state's authority under section 2 of Amendment XXI of the Constitution of the United States to ensure an orderly market for the distribution and sale of alcoholic beverages.

(2) It is the intent of this state to provide access to this state's alcoholic beverage market to all licensed manufacturers of alcoholic beverages by ensuring the independence of wholesalers to distribute the brands of beer, wine, mixed spirit drinks, and mixed wine drinks of multiple manufacturers free from the interference or control of any 1 manufacturer.

(3) A manufacturer shall not do any of the following:

(a) Subject to subsection (5), require a wholesaler to provide financial records directly or indirectly related to any of the following:

(i) The wholesaler's distribution of the brands manufactured or sold to the wholesaler by another manufacturer.

(ii) The compensation of a wholesaler's employees.

(iii) The wholesaler's business operations not directly related to the distribution of the brands manufactured or sold to the wholesaler by the manufacturer.

(b) Request a wholesaler to submit any of the wholesaler's financial records as a requirement for renewing or retaining an agreement.

(c) Require a wholesaler to spend a set amount of resources marketing or promoting the brands manufactured or sold by the manufacturer to the wholesaler that is based on the sales revenue derived by the wholesaler's distribution of the brands manufactured or sold to the wholesaler by the manufacturer.

(d) Intentionally ship beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, or mixed wine drink to a wholesaler that exceeds the order placed by the wholesaler or the forecast submitted by the wholesaler. For purposes of this subdivision, a manufacturer is considered to have intentionally taken an action described in this subdivision if the manufacturer has invoiced or initiated an electronic funds transfer for the amount shipped in excess.

(e) Prohibit a wholesaler from distributing the brands the manufacturer manufactured or sold to the wholesaler in licensed vehicles that have markings or logos of brands manufactured or sold to the wholesaler by other manufacturers.

(f) Prohibit a wholesaler from distributing the brands manufactured or sold to the wholesaler by another manufacturer on a licensed vehicle that has the marking or logos of brands manufactured or sold to the wholesaler by the manufacturer.

(g) Require a distributor to pay for the development, installation, or use of reporting software owned or mandated by the manufacturer. This subdivision does not prohibit a manufacturer from requiring a distributor to maintain electronic information systems that are compatible with systems and standards adopted by the manufacturer.

(h) Require a wholesaler to pay a fee or penalty, of any description, for noncompliance with a manufacturer requirement. This subdivision does not prohibit a wholesaler from paying damages to a supplier as provided in section 305 or 403.

(i) Set or attempt to set the rates of compensation for wholesaler employees, including incentives.

(j) Prohibit a wholesaler from utilizing any wholesaler-owned, leased, or controlled property or equipment to market, promote, deliver, or distribute the brands manufactured or sold by another manufacturer to the wholesaler.

(4) A manufacturer that violates this section may be ordered to pay a civil fine as follows:

(a) For a first violation, a civil fine of not more than $1,000.00.

(b) For a second violation, a civil fine of not more than $2,000.00.

(c) For a third or subsequent violation, a civil fine of not more than $5,000.00.

(5) A manufacturer may request and a wholesaler may provide financial records if any of the following circumstances apply:

(a) The wholesaler is attempting to purchase the manufacturer's brands from another wholesaler.

(b) The wholesaler and manufacturer are entering into an initial distribution agreement.

(c) The financial records are solely related to the brands sold by the manufacturer to the wholesaler.

(6) As used in this section, "manufacturer" includes a brewer, micro brewer, wine maker, small wine

maker, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink.

History: Add. 2019, Act 127, Imd. Eff. Nov. 21, 2019

436.1609 Aiding or assisting other vendor prohibited; exception; refunding amount of price reductions; providing licensee with advertising items; providing licensee with goods and services; approval by commission; sale of brand logoed items; possession and use of brand logoed barware; conditions for promotion of brand under R 436.1321(1) to (3); unauthorized providing or selling of barware; fine; on-premises brand promotional event; removal of merchandise; purchase and sale of brand logoed inventory by retailer holding off-premises license; adding or removing item by rule; definitions.

Sec. 609.

(1) Except as provided in this section and sections 605 and 1029, a manufacturer, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, warehouser, wholesaler, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or vendor of spirits shall not aid or assist any other vendor by gift, loan of money or property of any description, or other valuable thing, or by the giving of premiums or rebates, and a vendor shall not accept the same. However, if manufacturers of spirits reduce the price of their products, the manufacturer of spirits may refund the amount of the price reductions to specially designated distributor licensees in a manner prescribed by the commission.

(2) A manufacturer, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, warehouser, wholesaler, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or vendor of spirits may, in a manner consistent with rules, regulations, and orders made by the commission, provide another licensee with an advertising item that promotes the brands and prices of alcoholic liquor produced by the manufacturer; sold by the outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or the outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or distributed by the wholesaler. Except as otherwise allowed under subsection (3), (4), (5), or (6) the advertising item must not have any use or value beyond the actual advertising of brands and prices of the alcoholic liquor.

(3) Except for those orders that were approved for specific sponsorships or festivals, a manufacturer, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, warehouser, wholesaler, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or vendor of spirits may provide goods and services to another licensee that were approved by the commission under rules or orders adopted before January 1, 2014 and the following items:
   (a) Alcoholic liquor recipes literature.
   (b) Calendars and matchbooks.
   (c) Removable tap markers or signs.
   (d) Table tents.
   (e) Shelf talkers.
   (f) Bottle neckers.
   (g) Cooler stickers.
   (h) Buttons, blinking and nonblinking.
   (i) Menu clip-ons.
   (j) Mirrors.
   (k) Napkin holders.
   (l) Spirits cold shot tap machines.
   (m) Alcoholic liquor drink menus.
   (n) Keg couplers that are lent to an on-premises retailer.
   (o) Sporting event or entertainment tickets.
   (p) Suction cups.
   (q) Cooler door attachments.
   (r) Tear pad holders.

(4) A wholesaler may sell brand logoed items to an off-premises licensee if those brand logoed items are contained within the packaging of an alcoholic liquor product that is to be sold to a consumer.

(5) A retailer shall not use or possess, at its licensed premises, advertising items that have a use or value beyond the actual advertising of brands and prices of alcoholic liquor except for those items allowed in subsection (3), (4), or (6), or as otherwise allowed under this subsection. A retailer may possess

and use brand logoed barware that advertises spirits if the items are purchased from a manufacturer of spirits, vendor of spirits, salesperson, broker, or barware retailer. A retailer may possess and use brand logoed barware that advertises beer or wine if the items are purchased from a barware retailer. A retailer shall maintain the receipts of all purchased brand logoed barware for at least 3 years and shall make those receipts available for inspection by the commission as provided in section 217. Beginning in the 2015 licensing year, a retailer shall disclose, in a manner as prescribed by the commission on the application for renewal of an existing license, if any barware was purchased by the retailer during the immediately preceding license year.

(6) A manufacturer, outstate seller, or vendor of spirits may provide brand logoed merchandise to an on-premises retailer and off-premises retailer to promote the brand and price of its products under R 436.1321(1) to (3) of the Michigan Administrative Code. All of the following apply to brand logoed merchandise under this subsection:
   (a) Brand logoed merchandise must be used for display purposed only.
   (b) Brand logoed merchandise may only provide brand advertising when used in a display.
   (c) Brand logoed merchandise must be returned to the alcoholic beverage supplier or wholesaler on completion of the display.
   (d) Brand logoed merchandise must not be given to the retailer or the retailer's employee or any other person for their personal use.
   (e) The value of the brand logoed merchandise on display must not exceed $200.00 per item.
   (f) Brand logoed merchandise that a retailer could use in the daily operation of the retailer's business is prohibited.
   (g) Brand logoed merchandise must be unilluminated.
   (h) Brand logoed merchandise must not be more than 3,500 square inches in dimension.
   (i) Brand logoed merchandise must be owned by the manufacturer or supplier. The ownership of the brand logoed merchandise may not be transferred to the retailer, the retailer's employee, or any other person.
   (j) A wholesaler may deliver and install a display using brand logoed merchandise provided without charge by a manufacturer, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or outstate seller of mixed drink.

(7) In addition to the penalties provided under section 903, a manufacturer of beer or wine, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, warehouser, wholesaler, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink that provides or sells barware and is not authorized to provide or sell barware is subject to a fine in an amount of up to $2,500.00 as determined by the commission. Multiple violations resulting from the same incident may be treated as a single violation for purposes of issuance of any penalty imposed under this act.

(8) An on-premises retailer that hosts an on-premises brand promotional event conducted by a wholesaler or supplier has 14 days after the event to remove from the premises any brand logoed merchandise from the event to maintain compliance with this section.

(9) This act and rules promulgated under this act do not prevent a retailer that holds an off-premises license only from purchasing brand logoed inventory and selling that inventory to its customers.

(10) Beginning after September 25, 2015, the commission may, by rule, add an item to or remove an item from the definition of barware. The commission shall not add or remove more than 1 item per rule and shall not promulgate more than 1 rule at a time on the definition of barware. The commission shall not issue a rule that adds refrigerator systems, draft systems, or furniture to the definition of barware. A rule, regulation, or order adopted after January 1, 2014 that is not adopted in accordance with this subsection and that is not consistent with this section or is in conflict with this section is void and unenforceable.

(11) As used in this section:
   (a) "Barware" means the following brand logoed items:
      (i) Trays.
      (ii) Coasters.
      (iii) Napkins.
      (iv) Shirts.
      (v) Hats.
      (vi) Pitchers.
      (vii) Drinkware that is intended to be reused.
      (viii) Bar mats.
      (ix) Buckets.
      (x) Bottle openers.

(xi) Stir rods.
(xii) Patio umbrellas.
(xiii) Any packaging used to hold and deliver the alcoholic liquor purchased by the retailer.
(xiv) Any other items that have been added by the commission under subsection (10).

(b) "Barware retailer" means a person that offers brand logoed barware for sale to retailers, whether or not it is in their ordinary course of business, and that is not licensed as, or directly or indirectly affiliated with, a manufacturer of beer or wine, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, warehouser, wholesaler, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink. For purposes of this subdivision, a licensing agreement that authorizes use of a brand logo is not a direct or indirect affiliation.

(c) "Broker" means a person, other than an individual, that is licensed by the commission and that is employed or otherwise retained by a manufacturer of spirits or a vendor of spirits to sell, promote, or otherwise assist in the sale or promotion of spirits.

(d) "Indirectly affiliated" means, for purposes of this section only, that a person owns 5% or more of the voting interest of another person.

(e) “Other valuable thing” means a good, service, or intangible good that is given, loaned, leased, or sold to another licensee that has value regardless of whether the value is nominal. Other valuable thing includes, but is not limited to, a good, service, or intangible good that provided a benefit, regardless of how nominal, to the licensee other than advertising the brands and prices of alcoholic liquor produced by the manufacturer; sold by the outstate seller of beer, the outstate seller of wine, or the outstate seller of mixed spirit drink; or distributed by the wholesaler, except for consumable goods and those goods, services, or intangible goods approved by rule or order of the commission before January 1, 2014.

(f) "Salesperson" means, for the purposes of this subsection only, a person who is employed by a vendor of spirits or a broker and who is licensed by the commission to sell, deliver, or promote, or otherwise assist in the sale of, spirits in this state.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2010, Act 175, Imd. Eff. Sept. 30, 2010; -- Am. 2014, Act 47, Imd. Eff. Mar. 25, 2014; Am. 2014, Act 353, Imd. Eff. Oct. 17, 2014—Am 2016, act 81, Imd. Eff. Apr. 12, 2016 -- Am. 2021, Act 18, Eff. Aug. 23, 2021

436.1609a Filing by manufacturer or wholesaler; schedule of net cash prices; beer package price; sale of beer at quantity discount prohibited; disclosure of filing under subsections (1) and (2); comparison of filing under subsections (1) and (2) with tax filing; reasons for regulation.

Sec 609a.

(1) A manufacturer or wholesaler shall file with the commission a schedule of net cash prices to the retailer for all brands of case and keg beer for its market area. If a person sells beer that has not received a registration number from the commission in violation of subrule (1)(d) of R 436.1611 of the Michigan Administrative Code and if a wholesaler files a schedule of net cash prices as required under this subsection, both of the following apply:
   (a) The wholesaler is not considered to have violated subrule (1)(d) of R 436.1611 of the Michigan Administrative Code.
   (b) A retailer is not considered to have violated subrule (1)(d) of R 436.1611 of the Michigan Administrative Code.

(2) A manufacturer or wholesaler shall file with the commission a beer package price change for its market area. The manufacturer or wholesaler shall file the price change before its effective date. A price reduction under this subsection must continue for at least 90 days after the effective date.

(3) The beer package price for a market area may be increased during the 90-day period described in subsection (2) for any of the following reasons:
   (a) To reflect a tax increase in the market area.
   (b) To reflect a general industry price increase in the market area.

(4) The beer package price for a market area may be decreased during the 90-day period described in subsection (2) if both the following conditions are met:
   (a) The price reduction is not greater on a cents-per-case basis than the price reduction filed by the competition.
   (b) The price reduction continues for the balance of the 90 days filed by the competition.

(5) A manufacturer or wholesaler shall not sell beer at a quantity discount.

(6) A net cash price filed under subsection (1) and a price change filed under subsection (2) are exempt

from disclosure under section 13 of the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MLC 15.243, until 1 year after the net cash price or price change is filed, as applicable.

(7) The Commission shall periodically compare a manufacturer's or wholesaler's filing under subsection (1) or (2) with the manufacturer's or wholesaler's tax filing under section 409.

(8) This section does not apply to a brewpub.

(9) Beginning on July 1, 2020, the commission shall not implement or enforce subrule (1)(c) and (d) of R 436.1611 of the Michigan Administrative Code for products manufactured by a brewer and for products that a micro brewer or brewer sell exclusively at its tasting room or to a beer festival. As used in this subsection, "beer festival" means that term as defined in section 526.

(10) A manufacturer or wholesaler shall file with the commission a schedule of the net cash prices to retailers for all wine, mixed wine drink, and mixed spirit drink by kind, type, size, and brand.

(11) A manufacturer or wholesaler shall file with the commission a wine, mixed wine drink, and mixed spirit drink price change for its market area. The manufacturer or wholesaler shall file the price change before its effective date. A price change under this subsection must continue for at least 2 weeks after the effective date.

(12) A manufacturer or wholesaler shall not charge a retailer a fee in addition to the net cash prices filed under this section, except for a split case fee. If a manufacturer or wholesaler charges a split case fee to a retailer, the fee must be at the same per unit rate, nondiscriminatory, and not be based on a sliding scale. A manufacturer or wholesaler shall file with the commission a split case fee charged under this subsection.

(13) A manufacturer or wholesaler shall not sell wine, mixed wine drink, and mixed spirit drink at a quantity discount.

(14) A net cash price filed under subsection (10) and a price change filed under subsection (11) are exempt from disclosure under section 13 of the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.243, until 1 year after the net cash price or price reduction is filed, as applicable.

(15) The commission shall periodically compare a manufacturer's or wholesaler's filing under subsections (10) and (11) with the manufacturer's or wholesaler's tax filing under section 301.

(16) The regulation described in this section is necessary for both of the following reasons:

(a) To promote temperance and the public health and welfare.

(b) To promote a stable 3-tier distribution system with orderly markets for wine and malt beverage products in which there is no price discrimination by a wholesaler in its sales to retailers within the wholesaler's sales territory.

History: Add. 2016, Act 81, Imd. Eff. Apr. 12, 2016, Am. 2020, Act 119, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020; --Am. 2022, Act 227, Imd. Eff. Oct. 14, 2022

436.1609b Expenditure records for each call on retail licensee; drink purchase for promotional purposes; limitation.

Sec 609b.

(1) A vendor representative and salesperson of a vendor of spirits, a manufacturer of beer, a manufacturer of wine, a mixed spirit drink manufacturer, an outstate seller of beer, an outstate seller of wine, an outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or a wholesaler shall maintain accurate records of expenditures for each call on a retail licensee. The records must be maintained for 4 years and must be made available for commission inspection.

(2) A vendor representative or salesperson of a spirits or wine, for promotional purposes, may purchase 1 drink for each customer of an on-premises licensee. A drink purchased under this subsection must be of the brand represented by the vendor representative or salesperson.

(3) A vendor representative or salesperson of a manufacturer of beer, a mixed spirit drink manufacturer, a wholesaler of beer or mixed wine drink, an outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or an outstate seller of beer, for promotional purposes, may purchase 1 drink for each customer of an on-premises retail licensee subject to a total spending limit of $100.00 per day. A drink purchased under this subsection must be of the brand represented by the vendor representative or salesperson.

(4) A vendor representative or salesperson of a manufacturer of beer, a mixed spirit drink manufacturer, a wholesaler of beer or mixed wine drink, an outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or an outstate seller of beer shall not purchase a drink under subsection (3) more than twice per month at the same on-premises retail licensed location.

(5) A licensee employed to deliver alcoholic liquor shall not purchase a drink of alcoholic liquor for a retail licensee while on duty or in the course of employment.

History: Add. 2016, Act 81, Imd. Eff. Apr. 12, 2016; Am. Act 65, Imd. Eff. Dec. 23, 2025.

436.1609c Beer or wine; refund or replacement; reasons.

Sec. 609c.

(1) A manufacturer that sells direct to a retailer as provided under section 203a or a wholesaler may refund to a retailer the amount the retailer paid for beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink, as applicable, or a manufacturer that sells direct to a retailer as provided under section 203a or a wholesaler may replace that beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink for any of the following reasons:
   (a) The beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink is outdated.
   (b) The beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink is defective.
   (c) An error in the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink delivered.
   (d) The beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink may no longer be lawfully sold.
   (e) The termination of the retailer's business.
   (f) The formula, proof, label, or container of the beer or wine is changed.
   (g) The beer or wine is discontinued.
   (h) The retailer is only open a portion of the year and the beer or wine is likely to spoil during the off-season.
(2) If beer is within 30 days of its out-of-date code, a manufacturer that sells direct to a retailer as provide under section 203a or a wholesaler may refund to a retailer the amount the retailer paid for the beer.
(3) A manufacturer that sells direct to a retailer as provided under section 203a or a wholesaler may only issue a refund or replacement under this section for beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink that the manufacturer or wholesaler sold to the retailer.
(4) Beginning March 1, 2020, a manufacturer may refund to a wholesaler up to the amount the wholesaler paid for beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink, as applicable, or a manufacturer may replace that beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink for either of the following reasons:
   (a) The wholesaler purchased the beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink from the manufacturer and the wholesaler refunded to the retailer the amount the retailer paid for that beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink or replaced that beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink under subsection (1) or (2).
   (b) The beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink that the wholesaler purchased from the manufacturer has gone out of date while in possession of the wholesaler.

History: Add. 2017, Act 130, Eff. Jan. 15, 2018; --Am. 2020, Act 108, July 1, 2020; --Am. 2020, Act 126, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020; -- Am. 2022, Act 225, Imd. Eff. Oct. 14, 2022

436.1609d Specially designated distributor; refund to special licensee for unopened bottles.

Sec. 609d.

A specially designated distributor that sells spirits to a special licensee that is authorized by the commission to sell spirits may refund the special licensee for the return of an unopened bottle in the same amount that the special licensee paid for the spirits, less any of the specially designated distributor's credit card transaction fees incurred from the sale, if the bottle is without damage to the exterior that would prevent the salability of the bottle.

History: Add. 2020, Act 26, Imd. Eff. Feb. 4, 2020

436.1609e Providing of brand logoed tent or trailer or temporary platform to special licensee.

Sec. 609e.

Notwithstanding section 609, a vendor of spirits may provide a special licensee with any of the following:
(a) A brand logoed tent for use by the special licensee during the effective period of the special license.
(b) A brand logoed temporary platform for use by the special licensee during the effective period of the special license. As used in this subdivision, "temporary platform" means a preestablished platform that is exclusively used to serve, dispense, or mix drinks upon, including any refrigeration equipment

or mixing equipment.

(c) A brand logoed trailer for use by the special licensee during the effective period of the special license.

History: Add. 2020, Act 25, Imd. Eff. Feb. 4, 2020

436.1609f Provision of technology to assist in sales, marketing, delivery, merchandising, or training; requirements.

Sec. 609f.

(1) Notwithstanding section 609, a manufacturer, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink may provide a wholesaler with technology to assist in sales, marketing, delivery, merchandising, or training.

(2) A manufacturer, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink that provides technology to a wholesaler under subsection (1) shall do both of the following:
   (a) Comply with this act, including, but not limited to, section 608, and the rules promulgated under this act.
   (b) Obtain approval by written order of the commission authorizing the technology before it is provided to a wholesaler.

History: Add. 2022, Act 227, Imd. Eff. Oct. 14, 2022

436.1609g Sale of nonalcoholic products to retailer; applicability of act.

Sec. 609g.

(1) If a wholesaler sells nonalcoholic products to a retailer, this act does not apply to the sale, marketing, merchandising, or distribution of the nonalcoholic products except the following:
   (a) The wholesaler shall comply with section 609.
   (b) The wholesaler shall not do either of the following:
      (i) Provide free nonalcoholic products to a retailer.
      (ii) Provide credit to a retailer.

(2) If a wholesaler separately owns or has a direct or indirect financial interest in a company that sells nonalcoholic products, this act does not apply to the company that sells nonalcoholic products if all of the following conditions are met:
   (a) The company that sells nonalcoholic products is not a wholesaler.
   (b) The company that sells nonalcoholic products and the wholesaler have separate sales and delivery employees.
   (c) The company that sells nonalcoholic products and the wholesaler use separate delivery vehicles.
   (d) The company that sells nonalcoholic products and the wholesaler keep separate finances.
   (e) The company that sells nonalcoholic products does not engage in an activity on behalf of the wholesaler that would violate section 609.

(3) If a wholesaler separately owns or has a direct or indirect financial interest in a company that sells nonalcoholic products, the wholesaler and the company that sells nonalcoholic products may do all of the following:
   (a) Share human resources departments.
   (b) Have a joint payroll.
   (c) Lease warehouse space to each other.
   (d) Have joint vehicle maintenance.
   (e) Jointly recycle beverage containers.
   (f) Share warehouse employees and equipment.

History: Add. 2022, Act 225, Imd. Eff. Oct. 14, 2022

436.1609h Electronic rebate coupons.

Sec. 609h.

A manufacturer or supplier may offer electronic rebate coupons directly to a retail customer after the retail customer purchases alcoholic liquor from a retailer. An electronic rebate coupon issued under this section must comply with all the following:

(a) A manufacturer or supplier shall only issue coupons that state a specific expiration date and specific cash refund value on the coupons. The refund may be paid by cash, by check, by debit card, through electronic funds transfer to a bank account, or through an internet or mobile payment account.
(b) A manufacturer or supplier shall not issue coupons that make any alcohol free.
(c) A manufacturer or supplier may issue coupons that can be applied to more than 1 specific product sold by that manufacturer or supplier but must state the manufacturer or supplier to which they apply.
(d) A manufacturer or supplier shall issue coupons that require the retail customer to purchase at least 1 product of alcoholic liquor to redeem a coupon. A manufacturer or supplier may issue coupons that require the retail customer to purchase 2 or more alcoholic liquor products from the same manufacturer or supplier to redeem the coupon.
(e) A manufacturer or supplier may issue coupons that require the purchase of a product other than alcoholic liquor.
(f) A wholesaler shall not pay for or participate in the offering of coupons except for providing signs that promote the electronic rebate coupon in accordance with section 610a.
(g) A manufacturer shall only issue coupons that may be redeemable after a purchase of alcoholic liquor at all retail locations where that alcoholic liquor is sold.

History: Add. 2022, Act 225, Imd. Eff. Oct. 14, 2022; --Am. 2023, Act 183, Eff. Nov. 7, 2023

436.1609i Commercially reasonable effort requirements to meet demands.

Sec. 609i.

If demands exceed supply for a beer, wine, mixed wine drink, or mixed spirit drink product, a manufacturer, supplier, or wholesaler must do both of the following:
(a) Engage in commercially reasonable efforts to make the beer, wine, mixed wine drink, or mixed spirit drink product available to purchase by a wholesaler that places an order.
(b) Engage in commercially reasonable efforts to make the beer, wine, mixed wine drink, or mixed spirit drink product available to purchase by a retailer that places the order.

History: Add. 2022, Act 225, Imd. Eff. Oct. 14, 2022

436.1609j Recall or removal of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink products; notification requirements; destruction and reimbursement.

Sec. 609j.

(1) If a manufacturer recalls a beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink product or determines that it is necessary for a wholesaler to remove a beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink product from a sales territory, the manufacturer shall notify the commission and the affected wholesaler within 2 business days after the recall or determination.
(2) If a manufacturer recalls a beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink product or determines that it is necessary for a wholesaler to remove a beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink product from a sales territory, the manufacturer shall, within 7 business days after the recall or determination, notify the commission of all of the following:
    (a) The products recalled or determined to be removed and the number of cases of each product.
    (b) The reason why each product was recalled or determined to be removed.
    (c) The location where the affected product was manufactured.
    (d) The areas of this state that are affected by the recall or determined removal.
(3) If a manufacturer recalls a beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink product or determines that it is necessary for a wholesaler to remove a beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink product from a sales territory, the affected wholesaler shall, within 7 business days after the recall or determination, notify the commission when the removal and destruction of the affected product began and the expected completion date.
(4) The wholesaler shall notify the commission on the completion and destruction of an affected product described in subsection (3).
(5) If the affected wholesaler removes and destroys an affected product under subsection (3), the manufacturer shall reimburse the wholesaler for all costs reasonably associated with removal and

destruction of the affected product within 30 days after the affected product is removed and destroyed.

History: Add. 2022, Act 225, Imd. Eff. Oct. 14, 2022

436.1609k Philanthropic gift by vendor to 2- or 4-year college or university that is a retailer licensee; vendors providing signs to 2- or 4-year college or university that is a retailer licensee; vendor using name or logo of 2- or 4-year college or university that is a retailer licensee.

Sec. 609j.

(1) Notwithstanding section 609, a vendor may provide a philanthropic gift or sponsorship payment to a 2- or 4-year college or university located in this state that holds a retail license if the following conditions are met:
   (a) The gift does not include alcoholic liquor.
   (b) The gift or sponsorship payment is not contingent on the purchase of alcoholic liquor by the governing body of the 2- or 4-year college or university located in this state that is a retailer.
   (c) The gift or sponsorship payment is not contingent on the sale of alcoholic liquor at the site at which a retail license is held by the governing body of the 2- or 4-year college or university located in this state the governing body of which is issued a retail license.

(2) A vendor may provide signs that promote the brands and prices of alcoholic liquor for use on the licensed premises of a retail license issued to the governing body of a 2- or 4-year college or university located in this state. All of the following apply to a sign allowed under this subsection:
   (a) The sign must not be illuminated.
   (b) The sign must not have any use beyond the actual advertising of brands and prices related to the alcoholic liquor.
   (c) For a sign that is located inside the retailer's licensed premises, the sign must not be more than 3,500 square inches in dimension.
   (d) Notwithstanding anything in this act to the contrary, the signs allowed under this subsection may include the name or logo of the 2- or 4-year college or university located in this state that holds a retail license.

(3) Notwithstanding subsection (2), a sports or entertainment venue for which a retail license has been issued to the governing body of a public university under section 531(8) may contain illuminated advertising signs that have a total area of more than 3,5000 square inches. Any of the following entities may provide and install illuminated advertising signs and advertising signs that have a total area of more than 3,500 square inches per sign:
   (a) A brewer.
   (b) A micro brewer.
   (c) A wine maker.
   (d) A small wine maker.
   (e) An outstate seller of beer.
   (f) An outstate seller of wine.
   (g) An outstate seller of mixed spirit drink.
   (h) A manufacturer of spirits.
   (i) A manufacturer of mixed spirit drink.
   (j) A vendor of spirits.
   (k) An outstate self-distributor.

(4) Notwithstanding anything in this act to the contrary, a vendor may sell alcoholic liquor that includes on the container or packaging of the alcoholic liquor the name or logo of a 2- or 4-year college or university located in this state that holds a retailer license.

(5) Notwithstanding anything in this act to the contrary, a vendor may provide signs that promote the brands and prices of alcoholic liquor authorized under section 610a and advertising items authorized under section 609 to a retailer if the retailer is a 2- or 4-year college or university located in this state that include the name or logo of a 2- or 4-year college or university located in this state.

(6) As used in this section, "sports or entertainment venue" means the public area of a facility on university property described in section 531(8).

History: Add. 2025, Act 65, Imd. Eff. Dec. 23, 2025.

436.1610 Advertising; use of unpaid social media; definitions.

Sec 610.

(1) Notwithstanding section 609, a wholesaler, manufacturer, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, vendor of spirits, broker, or retailer may use unpaid social media to advertise any of the following in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations:
   (a) An on-premises brand promotion.
   (b) Beer, wine or spirits tastings under section 537.
   (c) A product location communication.

(2) Notwithstanding section 609, and subject to subsection (3), a supplier may take any of the following actions to assist a consumer seeking to have an alcoholic beverage sold by the supplier delivered or shipped to the consumer's home or designated location by a retailer as allowed under section 203:
   (a) Advertise the name and location of all retailers that deliver or ship to a consumer the alcoholic beverages sold by the supplier.
   (b) Provide a link to the website of each retailer that delivers or ships to a consumer the alcoholic beverages sold by the supplier.
   (c) Transmit the consumer's order and payment information to the retailer that the consumer chooses to fulfill the customer's purchase and perform the delivery or shipment.

(3) A supplier shall not take any action described in subsection (2) unless both of the following conditions are met:
   (a) The supplier and retailer do not provide or receive any other valuable thing in consideration for any action described in subsection (2) taken by the supplier. As used in this subdivision, "other valuable thing" means that term as defined in section 609.
   (b) The supplier provides the consumer a list of retailers, from which the consumer selects, that will sell, deliver, or ship the alcoholic beverage to the consumer. The supplier may satisfy the condition under this subdivision by providing the consumer with a list of retailers located in the zip code or nearest zip codes to the consumer's location.

(4) As used in this section:
   (a) “Broker” means term as defined in section 609.
   (b) "Consumer" means that term as defined in section 203.
   (c) “On-premises brand promotion” means a promotion in the manner provided by the order of the commission issued on October 27, 1999. That order’s prohibition against advertising an on-premises promotion by a party off the licenses premises does not apply to this section.
   (d) “Product location communication” means a listing or program that allows an individual to determine the availability of a specific product at licensed retailers in a certain geographic area.
   (e) “Social media” means a service, platform, or website where users communicate with one another and share media, such as pictures, videos, music, and blogs, with other users free of charge. Social media includes the website of a wholesaler, manufacturer, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, vendor of spirits, broker, or retailer.
   (f) "Supplier" means that term as defined in section 603.

History: Add. 2016, Act 106, Imd. Eff. Aug. 1, 2016 ;-- Am. 2021, Act 19, Eff. Aug. 23, 2021

436.1610a Promotion of brands and prices of alcoholic liquor; signs

Sec. 610a.

(1) Subject to subsection (2), a manufacturer, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, warehouser, wholesaler, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or vendor of spirits may provide to a retailer signs that promote the brands and prices of alcoholic liquor, including special event pricing.

(2) All of the following apply to a sign allowed under subsection (1):
   (a) The sign must not be illuminated.
   (b) The sign must not have any use beyond the actual advertising of brands, prices, and events related to the alcoholic liquor.
   (c) The sign must not include the name of the retailer.
   (d) For a sign that is located inside the retailer’s licensed premises, the sign must not be more than 3,500 square inches in dimension.

(3) A retailer may use an illuminated sign to promote the brand but not the price of alcoholic liquor. A

manufacturer, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, warehouser, wholesaler, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or vendor of spirits shall not provide to a retailer a sign described in this subsection.

(4) The signs allowed under this section are in addition to the advertising items that a manufacturer, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, warehouser, wholesaler, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or vendor of spirits may provide another licensee under section 609(2).

History: Add. 2017, Act 131, Eff. Jan. 15, 2018

436.1610b Temporary bin display

Sec. 610b.

(1) A manufacturer, vendor of spirits, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or a wholesaler shall not sell or in any manner furnish or install, and a retailer shall not accept, a permanent display in the licensed premises of the retailer.

(2) A manufacturer, vendor of spirits, outstate seller of beer, or outstate seller of wine may furnish and install a temporary bin display that has a capacity of up to 25 cases of 24 12-ounce or 0.375-liter containers or the equivalent in other sizes of beer, wine, or spirits on the premises of a retailer that is licensed for off-premises sales only.

(3) Notwithstanding section 609, a wholesaler may install, on the premises of a retailer that is licensed for off-premises sales only, a temporary bin display that has been provided without charge by the manufacturer, outstate seller of beer, or outstate seller of wine.

(4) A retailer shall ensure that a temporary bin display installed on the retailer's premises clearly indicates by a tag, stamp, label, or other method that is securely affixed to the temporary bin display the date on which the temporary bin display was installed.

(5) The 3,500-square-inch limit on an inside retail advertising sign under section 609 does not apply to advertising on a temporary bin display described in subsection (2) or (3).

(6) As used in this section, "temporary bin display" means a freestanding device that is constructed of a material that is used for the exhibition of beer, wine, or spirits on the premises of a retailer that is licensed for off-premises sales only and that must be removed from the retail licensed premises not later than 120 days after installation.

History: Add. 2017, Act 83, Eff. Oct. 10, 2017

436.1610c Certain equipment to special licensee; beer festival; limitations.

Sec. 610c.

(1) Notwithstanding Section 609, a manufacturer, wholesaler, or retailer may provide a special licensee, including but not limited to, the holder of a special license to conduct a beer festival under section 526, with any of the following:
   (a) Beer or wine dispensing equipment or cooling equipment for use by the special licensee during the effective period of the special license. The equipment described in this subdivision may be within or part of a trailer.
   (b) A brand logoed tent for use by the special licensee during the effective period of the special license.

(2) A manufacturer, wholesaler, or retailer that is authorized to sell alcoholic liquor to a special licensee under this act may deliver the alcoholic liquor to the special licensee's premises on the commission's issuance of the special license.

(3) A special licensee shall not sell alcoholic liquor before the effective period of the special license.

(4) A special licensee may purchase alcoholic liquor under R 436.582 of the Michigan Administrative Code or under section 526.

History: Add. 2018, Act 180, Eff. June 11, 2018

436.1610d Cooperative advertising; exceptions; instant rebate coupons; limitations; "cooperative advertising" defined.

Sec. 610d.

(1) There must not be cooperative advertising:
   (a) Between a manufacturer, an outstate seller of beer, an outstate seller of wine, and a retailer.
   (b) Between a wholesaler and a retailer.
   (c) Between a manufacturer, an outstate seller of beer, an outstate seller of wine, and a wholesaler.
(2) A manufacturer, an outstate seller of beer, or an outstate seller of wine may do any of the following:
   (a) Pay any portion of the cost of painting a truck of a wholesaler.
   (b) Supply a brand logoed decal or advertising mat, or both, to a wholesaler without cost.
   (c) Use the name or logo of the wholesaler of the outstate seller of beer or outstate seller of wine in the advertising of the outstate seller of beer or outstate seller of wine.
(3) The name of a retailer must not appear in the advertising of a manufacturer, an outstate seller of beer, an outstate seller of wine, or a wholesaler.
(4) A retailer may offer consumers instant rebate coupons for use with alcoholic liquor purchases. An instant rebate coupon issued under this subsection must comply with all of the following:
   (a) A retailer shall only issue coupons that state a specific expiration date and specific cash refund value on the coupons.
   (b) A retailer shall not issue coupons that make any alcoholic liquor free. For spirits, the retailer shall only issue coupons where the specific cash refund amount does not exceed 35% of this state's minimum shelf price for the products purchased and does not reduce the retail price of any product below $2.00 a bottle.
   (c) A retailer may issue coupons that can be applied to more than 1 specific product from a manufacturer, but must state the manufacturer to which they apply.
   (d) A retailer shall issue coupons that require the retail customer to purchase at least 1 product of alcoholic liquor to redeem a coupon. A retailer may issue coupons that require the retail customer to purchase 2 or more alcoholic liquor products from the same manufacturer to redeem the coupon.
   (e) For spirits, a retailer shall only issue coupons for the 375 milliliters or larger size bottles.
   (f) A supplier or wholesaler of beer or wine shall not pay for or participate in the offering of an instant rebate coupon.
(5) As used in this section "cooperative advertising" means a jointly funded effort between licensees or between vendors of spirits.

History: Add. 2018, Act 426, Imd. Eff. Dec. 20, 2018

436.1611 Refund or credit of tax paid on wine, mixed spirit drink, or beer; conditions; time limitation; form and contents of claim; supporting evidence; removal or destruction of damaged wine, beer, or mixed spirit drink; applicability of section; rebate of tax paid on wine or mixed spirit drink.

Sec. 611.

(1) A refund or credit of the tax on wine or mixed spirit drink paid under section 301 and of the tax on beer paid under section 409 shall be made by the commission to a brewer, wine maker, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, manufacturer of mixed spirit drink, wholesaler, or retail licensee who paid the tax if the wine, beer, or mixed spirit drink was sold to a military installation or Indian reservation in this state or, subject to subsection (2), if the wine, beer, or mixed spirit drink is lost, made unmarketable, or condemned by order of the commission as the result of a fire, flood, casualty, or other occurrence. A refund or credit shall not be made as the result of theft.
(2) A refund or credit of taxes as provided in subsection (1) shall be made for damaged wine, beer, or mixed spirit drink only if all of the following circumstances exist:
   (a) At the time of the fire, flood, casualty, or other occurrence, the wine, beer, or mixed spirit drink was being held for sale by the vendor claiming the refund or credit.
   (b) The refund or credit of the amount claimed or any part of the amount claimed has not been and will not be claimed for the same wine, beer, or mixed spirit drink under any other law or rule.

(c) The vendor claiming the refund or credit is not indemnifiable by any valid claim of insurance or otherwise for the tax on the wine, beer, or mixed spirit drink covered by the claim.
(d) The amount claimed for a refund or credit is more than $250.00 or the refund or credit is claimed for defective wine, beer, or mixed spirit drink for which the commission has authorized a manufacturer, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, manufacturer of mixed spirit drink, or wholesaler to make an exchange, have replaced, or be reimbursed.
(e) The occurrence was not caused by an intentional act of the vendor claiming the refund or credit or an agent of that vendor.

(3) A claim for a refund or credit of the tax as provided in subsection (1) shall be made not later than 3 months after either of the following:
(a) The date upon which the damage occurred or was first discovered.
(b) The date of the sale to a military installation or Indian reservation in this state.

(4) A claim for a refund or credit of the tax as provided in subsection (1) shall be submitted to the commission on a form approved by the commission. The claim shall contain the following information, as applicable:
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(5) The vendor claiming the refund or credit for damaged wine, beer, or mixed spirit drink shall support a claim with any evidence, such as an inventory, statement, invoice, bill, record, or label, relating to the quantity of wine, beer, or mixed spirit drink on hand at the time of the fire, flood, casualty, or other disaster and alleged to have been lost, made unmarketable, or condemned as a result of the damage.

(6) Before or after a tax refund or credit has been made for damaged wine, beer, or mixed spirit drink, the wine, beer, or mixed spirit drink upon which the refund or credit is based shall be removed from this state or destroyed under the supervision of the commission.

(7) In addition to the provisions of this section, the tax paid on wine or mixed spirit drink pursuant to section 301 shall be rebated to the person who paid the tax upon the presentation of satisfactory proof to the commission that the wine or mixed spirit drink was shipped outside of this state for sale and consumption outside of this state.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1701 Selling or furnishing alcoholic liquor to minor; failure to make diligent inquiry; violation as misdemeanor; penalty; signs; consumption of alcoholic liquor as cause of death or injury; felony; enforcement against licensee; consent of parent or guardian in undercover operation; defense in action for violation; report; use of security identification device; definitions.

Sec. 701.

(1) A person shall not sell or furnish alcoholic liquor to a minor. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2) and subject to subsections (4), (5), and (6), a person who knowingly sells or furnishes alcoholic liquor to a minor, or who fails to make diligent inquiry as to whether the individual is a minor, is guilty of a misdemeanor. A retail licensee or a retail licensee's clerk, agent, or employee who violates this subsection shall be punished in the manner provided for licensees in section 909 except that if the violation is the result of an undercover operation in which the minor received alcoholic liquor under the direction of the state police, the commission, or a local police agency as part of an enforcement action, the retail licensee's clerk, agent, or employee is responsible for a state civil infraction and may be ordered to pay a civil fine of not more than $100.00. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2), an individual who is not a retail licensee or a retail licensee's clerk, agent, or employee and who violates this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than $1,000.00 and imprisonment for not more than 60 days for a first offense, a fine of not more than $2,500.00 and imprisonment for not more than 90 days for a second or subsequent offense, and may be ordered to perform community service. A suitable sign describing the content of this section and the penalties for its violation must be posted in a conspicuous place in each room where alcoholic liquor is sold. The commission shall approve and furnish a sign under this section.

(2) An individual who is not a retail licensee or the retail licensee's clerk, agent, or employee and who violates subsection (1) is guilty of a felony, punishable by imprisonment for not more than 10 years or a fine of not more than $5,000.00, or both, if the subsequent consumption of the alcoholic liquor by the minor is a direct and substantial cause of the minor's death or an accidental injury that causes the minor's death.

(3) If a violation occurs in an establishment that is licensed by the commission for consumption of alcoholic liquor on the licensed premises, a person who is a licensee or the clerk, agent, or employee of a licensee must not be charged with a violation of subsection (1) or section 801(1) unless the licensee or the clerk, agent, or employee of the licensee knew or should have reasonably known with the exercise of due diligence that a minor possessed or consumed alcoholic liquor on the licensed premises and the licensee or clerk, agent, or employee of the licensee failed to take immediate corrective action.

(4) If the enforcing agency involved in the violation is the state police or a local police agency, a licensee must not be charged with a violation of subsection (1) or section 801(1) unless all of the following occur, if applicable:
   (a) Enforcement action is taken against the minor who purchased or attempted to purchase, consumed or attempted to consume, or possessed or attempted to possess alcoholic liquor.
   (b) Enforcement action is taken under this section against the individual 21 years of age or older who is not the retail licensee or the retail licensee's clerk, agent, or employee who sold or furnished the alcoholic liquor to the minor.
   (c) Enforcement action under this section is taken against the clerk, agent, or employee who directly sold or furnished alcoholic liquor to the minor.

(5) If the enforcing agency is the commission and an appearance ticket or civil infraction citation has not been issued, then the commission shall recommend to a local law enforcement agency that enforcement action be taken against a violator of this section or section 703 who is not a licensee. However, subsection (4) does not apply if the minor against whom enforcement action is taken under section 703, the clerk, agent, or employee of the licensee who directly sold or furnished alcoholic liquor to the minor, or the individual 21 years of age or older who sold or furnished alcoholic liquor to the minor is not alive or is not present in this state at the time the licensee is charged. Subsection (4)(a) does not apply under either of the following circumstances:
   (a) The violation of subsection (1) is the result of an undercover operation in which the minor

purchased or received alcoholic liquor under the direction of the person's employer and with the prior approval of the local prosecutor's office as part of an employer-sponsored internal enforcement action.

(b) The violation of subsection (1) is the result of an undercover operation in which the minor purchased or received alcoholic liquor under the direction of the state police, the commission, or a local police agency as part of an enforcement action.

(6) Any initial or contemporaneous purchase or receipt of alcoholic liquor by the minor under subsection (5)(a) or (b) must have been under the direction of the state police, the commission, or the local police agency and must have been part of the undercover operation.

(7) If a minor participates in an undercover operation in which the minor is to purchase or receive alcoholic liquor under the supervision of a law enforcement agency, his or her parents or legal guardian shall consent to the participation if the minor is less than 18 years of age.

(8) In an action for the violation of this section, proof that the defendant or the defendant's agent or employee demanded and was shown, before furnishing alcoholic liquor to a minor, a motor vehicle operator's or chauffeur's license, a military identification card, or other bona fide documentary evidence of the age and identity of that person, is a defense to an action brought under this section.

(9) The commission shall provide, on an annual basis, a written report to the department of state police as to the number of actions heard by the commission involving violations of this section and section 801(1). The commission shall include in the report the disposition of each action and figures representing all of the following categories:

(a) Decoy operations.

(b) Off-premises violations.

(c) On-premises violations.

(d) Repeat offenses within the 3 years preceding the date of the report.

(10) Subsection (11)(b)(ii) does not impose a duty or obligation on the secretary of state that is not otherwise required by law.

(11) As used in this section:

(a) "Corrective action" means action taken by a licensee or a clerk, agent, or employee of a licensee designed to prevent a minor from further possessing or consuming alcoholic liquor on the licensed premises. Corrective action includes, but is not limited to, contacting a law enforcement agency and ejecting the minor and any other person suspected of aiding and abetting the minor.

(b) "Diligent inquiry" means a diligent good-faith effort to determine the age of an individual, which includes at least 1 of the following:

(i) An examination of an official Michigan operator's or chauffeur's license, an official Michigan personal identification card, a military identification card, or any other bona fide picture identification that establishes the identity and age of the individual.

(ii) Use of a secure identity verification device if all of the following conditions are met:

(A) The electronic scan of a biometric of the individual is referenced against any form of picture identification described in subparagraph (i).

(B) The authenticity of the picture identification was previously verified by an electronic authentication process.

(C) The identity of the individual was previously verified through a commercially available knowledge-based electronic authentication process.

(D) The authenticated picture identification was securely linked to biometrics contemporaneously collected from the individual.

(c) "Retail licensee" means a person licensed to sell alcoholic liquor at retail for consumption on or off the licensed premises.

(d) "Secure identity verification device" means a commercial device that instantly verifies the identity and age of an individual by an electronic scan of a biometric of the individual.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2002, Act 725, Imd. Eff. Dec. 30, 2002; -- Am. 2006, Act 682, Imd. Eff. Jan. 10, 2007; -- Am. 2010, Act 266, Eff. June 30, 2011; --Am. 2019, Act 131, Imd. Eff. Nov. 21, 2019; -- Am. 2020, Act 78, Imd. Eff. Apr. 2, 2020;-- Am. 2020, Act 377, Eff. Oct. 1, 2021

436.1703 Purchase, consumption, or possession of alcoholic liquor by minor; attempt; violation; fines; sanctions; furnishing fraudulent identification to minor; use by minor; prior violation; screening and assessment; prior judgment; chemical breath analysis; notice to parent, custodian, or guardian; exceptions; recruitment of minor for undercover operations prohibited; affirmative defense; definitions.

Sec. 703.

(1) A minor shall not purchase or attempt to purchase alcoholic liquor, consume or attempt to consume alcoholic liquor, possess or attempt to possess alcoholic liquor, or have any bodily alcohol content, except as provided in this section. A minor who violates this subsection is responsible for a state civil infraction or guilty of a misdemeanor as follows and is not subject to the penalties prescribed in section 909:

(a) For the first violation the minor is responsible for a state civil infraction and muar be fined not more than $100.00. A court may order a minor under this subdivision to participate in substance use disorder services as defined in section 6230 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.6230, and designated by the administrator of the office of substance abuse services, and may order the minor to perform community service and to undergo substance abuse screening and assessment at his or her own expense as described in subsection (5). A minor may be found responsible or admit responsibility only once under this subdivision.

(b) If a violation of this subsection occurs after 1 prior judgment, the minor is guilty of a misdemeanor. A misdemeanor under this subdivision is punishable by imprisonment for not more than 30 days if the court finds that the minor violated an order of probation, failed to successfully complete any treatment, screening, or community service ordered by the court, or failed to pay any fine for that conviction or juvenile adjudication, or by a fine of not more than $200.00, or both. A court may order a minor under this subdivision to participate in substance use disorder services as defined in section 6230 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.6230, and designated by the administrator of the office of substance abuse services, to perform community service, and to undergo substance abuse screening and assessment at his or her own expense as described in subsection (5).

(c) If a violation of this subsection occurs after 2 or more prior judgments, the minor is guilty of a misdemeanor. A misdemeanor under this subdivision is punishable by imprisonment for not more than 60 days if the court finds that the minor violated an order of probation, failed to successfully complete any treatment, screening, or community service ordered by the court, or failed to pay any fine for that conviction or juvenile adjudication, by a fine of not more than $500.00, or both, as applicable. A court may order a minor under this subdivision to participate in substance use disorder services as defined in section 6230 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.6230, and designated by the administrator of the office of substance abuse services, to perform community service, and to undergo substance abuse screening and assessment at his or her own expense as described in subsection (5).

(2) An individual who furnishes fraudulent identification to a minor or, notwithstanding subsection (1), a minor who uses fraudulent identification to purchase alcoholic liquor, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 93 days or a fine of not more than $100.00, or both.

(3) If an individual pleads guilty to a misdemeanor violation of subsection (1)(b) or offers a plea of admission in a juvenile delinquency proceeding for a misdemeanor violation of subsection (1)(b), the court, without entering a judgment of guilt in a criminal proceeding or a determination in a juvenile delinquency proceeding that the juvenile has committed the offense and with the consent of the accused, may defer further proceedings and place the individual on probation. The terms and conditions of that probation include, but are not limited to, the sanctions set forth in subsection (1)(c), payment of the costs including minimum state cost as provided for in section 18m of chapter XIIA of the probate code of 1939, 1939 PA 288, MCL 712A.18m, and section 1j of chapter IX of the code of criminal procedure, 1927 PA 175, MCL 769.1j, and the costs of probation as prescribed in section 3 of chapter XI of the code of criminal procedure, 1927 PA 175, MCL 771.3. If a court finds that an individual violated a term or condition of probation or that the individual is utilizing this subsection in another court, the court may enter an adjudication of guilt, or a determination in a juvenile delinquency proceeding that the individual has committed the offense, and proceed as otherwise provided by law. If an individual fulfills the terms and conditions of probation, the court

shall discharge the individual and dismiss the proceedings. A discharge and dismissal under this section is without adjudication of guilt or without a determination in a juvenile delinquency proceeding that the individual has committed the offense and is not a conviction or juvenile adjudication for purposes of disqualifications or disabilities imposed by law on conviction of a crime. An individual may obtain only 1 discharge and dismissal under this subsection. The court shall maintain a nonpublic record of the matter while proceedings are deferred and the individual is on probation and if there is a discharge and dismissal under this subsection. The secretary of state shall retain a nonpublic record of a plea and of the discharge and dismissal under this subsection. These records shall be furnished to any of the following:

(a) To a court, prosecutor, or police agency on request for the purpose of determining if an individual has already used this subsection.

(b) To the department of corrections, a prosecutor, or a law enforcement agency, on the department's, a prosecutor's, or a law enforcement agency's request, subject to all of the following conditions:

(i) At the time of the request, the individual is an employee of the department of corrections, the prosecutor, or the law enforcement agency, or an applicant for employment with the department of corrections, the prosecutor, or the law enforcement agency.

(ii) The record is used by the department of corrections, the prosecutor, or the law enforcement agency only to determine whether an employee has violated his or her conditions of employment or whether an applicant meets criteria for employment.

(4) A misdemeanor violation of subsection (1) successfully deferred, discharged, and dismissed under subsection (3) is considered a prior judgment for the purposes of subsection (1)(c).

(5) A court may order an individual found responsible for or convicted of violating subsection (1) to undergo screening and assessment by a person or agency as designated by the department-designated community mental health entity as defined in section 100a of the mental health code, 1974 PA 258, MCL 330.1100a, to determine whether the individual is likely to benefit from rehabilitative services, including alcohol or drug education and alcohol or drug treatment programs. A court may order an individual subject to a misdemeanor conviction or juvenile adjudication of, or placed on probation regarding, a violation of subsection (1) to submit to a random or regular preliminary chemical breath analysis. The parent, guardian, or custodian of a minor who is less than 18 years of age and not emancipated under 1968 PA 293, MCL 722.1 to 722.6, may request a random or regular preliminary chemical breath analysis as part of the probation.

(6) A peace officer who has reasonable cause to believe a minor has consumed alcoholic liquor or has any bodily alcohol content may request that individual to submit to a preliminary chemical breath analysis. If a minor does not consent to a preliminary chemical breath analysis, the analysis must not be administered without a court order, but a peace officer may seek to obtain a court order. The results of a preliminary chemical breath analysis or other acceptable blood alcohol test are admissible in a state civil infraction proceeding or criminal prosecution to determine if the minor has consumed or possessed alcoholic liquor or had any bodily alcohol content.

(7) A law enforcement agency, on determining that an individual who is less than 18 years of age and not emancipated under 1968 PA 293, MCL 722.1 to 722.6, allegedly consumed, possessed, purchased alcoholic liquor, attempted to consume, possess, or purchase alcoholic liquor, or had any bodily alcohol content in violation of subsection (1) shall notify the parent or parents, custodian, or guardian of the individual as to the nature of the violation if the name of a parent, guardian, or custodian is reasonably ascertainable by the law enforcement agency. The law enforcement agency shall notify the parent, guardian, or custodian not later than 48 hours after the law enforcement agency determines that the individual who allegedly violated subsection (1) is less than 18 years of age and not emancipated under 1968 PA 293, MCL 722.1 to 722.6. The law enforcement agency may notify the parent, guardian, or custodian by any means reasonably calculated to give prompt actual notice including, but not limited to, notice in person, by telephone, or by first-class mail. If an individual less than 17 years of age is incarcerated for violating subsection (1), his or her parents or legal guardian must be notified immediately as provided in this subsection.

(8) This section does not prohibit a minor from possessing alcoholic liquor during regular working hours and in the course of his or her employment if employed by a person licensed by this act, by the commission, or by an agent of the commission, if the alcoholic liquor is not possessed for his or her personal consumption.

(9) The following individuals are not considered to be in violation of subsection (1):

(a) A minor who has consumed alcoholic liquor and who voluntarily presents himself or herself to a health facility or agency for treatment or for observation including, but not limited to, medical examination and treatment for any condition arising from a violation of sections 520b to 520g of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.520b to 750.520g, committed against a minor.

(b) A minor who accompanies an individual who meets both of the following criteria:

(i) Has consumed alcoholic liquor.

(ii) Voluntarily presents himself or herself to a health facility or agency for treatment or for observation including, but not limited to, medical examination and treatment for any condition arising from a violation of sections 520b to 520g of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.520b to 750.520g, committed against a minor.

(c) A minor who initiates contact with a peace officer or emergency medical services personnel for the purpose of obtaining medical assistance for a legitimate health care concern.

(10) If a minor who is less than 18 years of age and who is not emancipated under 1968 PA 293, MCL 722.1 to 722.6, voluntarily presents himself or herself to a health facility or agency for treatment or for observation as provided under subsection (9), the health facility or agency shall notify the parent or parents, guardian, or custodian of the individual as to the nature of the treatment or observation if the name of a parent, guardian, or custodian is reasonably ascertainable by the health facility or agency.

(11) This section does not limit the civil or criminal liability of a vendor or the vendor's clerk, servant, agent, or employee for a violation of this act.

(12) The consumption of alcoholic liquor by a minor who is enrolled in a course offered by an accredited postsecondary educational institution in an academic building of the institution under the supervision of a faculty member is not prohibited by this act if the purpose of the consumption is solely educational and is a requirement of the course.

(13) The consumption by a minor of sacramental wine in connection with religious services at a church, synagogue, or temple is not prohibited by this act.

(14) Subsection (1) does not apply to a minor who participates in either or both of the following:

(a) An undercover operation in which the minor purchases or receives alcoholic liquor under the direction of the person's employer and with the prior approval of the local prosecutor's office as part of an employer-sponsored internal enforcement action.

(b) An undercover operation in which the minor purchases or receives alcoholic liquor under the direction of the state police, the commission, or a local police agency as part of an enforcement action unless the initial or contemporaneous purchase or receipt of alcoholic liquor by the minor was not under the direction of the state police, the commission, or the local police agency and was not part of the undercover operation.

(15) The state police, the commission, or a local police agency shall not recruit or attempt to recruit a minor for participation in an undercover operation at the scene of a violation of subsection (1), section 701(1), or section 801(1).

(16) In a prosecution for the violation of subsection (1) concerning a minor having any bodily alcohol content, it is an affirmative defense that the minor consumed the alcoholic liquor in a venue or location where that consumption is legal.

(17) As used in this section:

(a) "Any bodily alcohol content" means either of the following:

(i) An alcohol content of 0.02 grams or more per 100 milliliters of blood, per 210 liters of breath, or per 67 milliliters of urine.

(ii) Any presence of alcohol within a person's body resulting from the consumption of alcoholic liquor, other than consumption of alcoholic liquor as a part of a generally recognized religious service or ceremony.

(b) "Emergency medical services personnel" means that term as defined in section 20904 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.20904.

(c) "Health facility or agency" means that term as defined in section 20106 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.20106.

(d) “Prior judgment” means a conviction, juvenile adjudication, finding of responsibility, or admission of responsibility for any of the following, whether under a law of this state, a local ordinance that substantially corresponds to a law of this state, a law of the United States substantially corresponding to a law of this state, or a law of another state that substantially corresponds to a law of this state:

(i) This section or section 701 or 707.

(ii) Section 624a, 624b, or 625 of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.624a, 257.624b, and 257.625.
(iii) Section 80176, 81134, or 82127 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.80176, 324.81134 and 324.82127.
(iv) Section 167a or 237 of the Michigan penal code, 1939 PA 328, MCL 750.167a and 750.237.

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436.1705 Power of peace officer or law enforcement officer witnessing violation to stop and detain person; issuance of appearance ticket.

Sec. 705.

A peace officer or law enforcement officer described under section 201 or an inspector of the commission who witnesses a violation of section 701(1) or 703, or a local ordinance corresponding to section 701(1) or 703, may stop and detain a person and obtain satisfactory identification, seize illegally possessed alcoholic liquor, and issue an appearance ticket as prescribed in section 9c of chapter IV of the code of criminal procedure, 1927 PA 175, MCL 764.9c.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2002, Act 725, Imd. Eff. Dec. 30, 2002

436.1707 Selling, serving, or furnishing alcohol; prohibitions.

Sec. 707.

(1) A vendor shall not sell, serve, or furnish any alcoholic liquor to an individual in an intoxicated condition.
(2) A licensee shall not allow an individual who is in an intoxicated condition to consume alcoholic liquor on the licensed premises.
(3) A licensee, or the clerk, servant, agent, or employee of a licensee, shall not be in an intoxicated condition on the licensed premises.
(4) A licensee shall not allow an intoxicated individual to frequent or loiter on the licensed premises except if the intoxicated individual has been refused service of further alcoholic liquor and remains on the premises for the purpose of eating food, seeking medical attention, arranging transportation that does not involve driving himself or herself, or any other circumstances where requiring the individual to vacate the premises immediately would be considered dangerous to the individual or to the public.
(5) A licensee shall not allow a minor to consume alcoholic liquor or to possess alcoholic liquor for personal consumption on the licensed premises.
(6) An off-premises licensee shall not allow any individual less than 18 years of age to sell or serve alcoholic liquor.
(7) Subject to section 15 of the youth employment standards act, 1978 PA 90, MCL 409.115, an on-premises licensee may allow an individual who is 17 years of age to sell or serve alcoholic liquor if both of the following conditions are met:
   (a) The individual has completed a server training program as provided for in section 906 and the rules promulgated by the commission.
   (b) During the individual's shift, the on-premises license has supervisory personnel as required under section 906 who are 18 years of age or older.
(8) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a licensee shall not allow an individual less than 18 years of age to work or entertain on a paid or voluntary basis on the licensed premises unless the individual is employed in compliance with the youth employment standards act, 1978 PA 90, MCL 409.101 to 409.124. This subsection does not apply to an entertainer under the direct supervision and control of his or her parent or legal guardian.
(9) This section does not prohibit a wholesaler's employee who is 16 years of age or older from doing any of the following:
   (a) Building a display of those brands that are represented or sold by the wholesaler for an off-premises retailer.

(b) Marking the price on those brands that are represented or sold by the wholesaler for an off-premises retailer.
(c) Rotating brands that are represented or sold by the wholesaler for an off-premises retailer.
(d) Placing brands that are represented or sold by the wholesaler on shelves for an off-premises retailer.

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436.1801 Granting or renewing license; surety; selling, furnishing, or giving alcoholic liquor to minor or to person visibly intoxicated; right of action for damage or personal injury; actual damages; institution of action; notice; survival of action; general reputation as evidence of relation; separate actions by parents; commencement of action against retail licensee; indemnification; defenses available to licensee; rebuttable presumption; prohibited causes of action; section as exclusive remedy for money damages against licensee; civil action subject to revised judicature act.

Sec. 801.

(1) A retail licensee shall not directly, individually, or by a clerk, agent, or servant sell, furnish, or give alcoholic liquor to a minor except as otherwise provided in this act. A retail licensee shall not directly or indirectly, individually or by a clerk, agent, or servant sell, furnish, or give alcoholic liquor to an individual who is visibly intoxicated.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, an individual who suffers damage or who is personally injured by a minor or visibly intoxicated person by reason of the unlawful selling, giving, or furnishing of alcoholic liquor to the minor or visibly intoxicated person, if the unlawful sale is proven to be a proximate cause of the damage, injury, or death, or the spouse, child, parent, or guardian of that individual, has a right of action in his or her name against the person who by selling, giving, or furnishing the alcoholic liquor has caused or contributed to the intoxication of the person or who has caused or contributed to the damage, injury, or death. In an action under this section, the plaintiff has the right to recover actual damages in a sum of not less than $50.00 in each case in which the court or jury determines that intoxication was a proximate cause of the damage, injury, or death.

(3) An action under this section must be instituted within 2 years after the injury or death. A plaintiff seeking damages under this section shall give written notice to all defendants within 120 days after entering an attorney-client relationship for the purpose of pursuing a claim under this section. Failure to give written notice within the time specified is grounds for dismissal of a claim as to any defendants that did not receive that notice unless sufficient information for determining that a retail licensee might be liable under this section was not known and could not reasonably have been known within the 120 days. In the event of the death of either party, the right of action under this section survives to or against his or her personal representative. In each action by a husband, wife, child, or parent, the general reputation of the relation of husband and wife or parent and child is prima facie evidence of the relation, and the amount recovered by either the husband, wife, parent, or child is his or her sole and separate property. The damages, together with the costs of the action, must be recovered in an action under this section. If the parents of the individual who suffered damage or who was personally injured are entitled to damages under this section, the father and mother may sue separately, but recovery by 1 is a bar to action by the other.

(4) An action under this section against a retail licensee must not be commenced unless the minor or the alleged intoxicated person is a named defendant in the action and is retained in the action until the litigation is concluded by trial or settlement.

(5) Any licensee subject to subsection (2) regarding the unlawful selling, furnishing, or giving of alcoholic liquor to a visibly intoxicated person has the right to full indemnification from the alleged visibly intoxicated person for all damages awarded against the licensee.

(6) All defenses of the alleged visibly intoxicated person or the minor are available to the licensee. In an action alleging the unlawful sale of alcoholic liquor to a minor, proof that the defendant retail licensee or the defendant's agent or employee demanded and was shown a Michigan driver license or official state personal identification card, appearing to be genuine and showing that the minor was at least 21 years of age, is a defense to the action.

(7) There is a rebuttable presumption that a retail licensee, other than the retail licensee who last sold, gave, or furnished alcoholic liquor to the minor or the visibly intoxicated person, has not committed any act giving rise to a cause of action under subsection (2).

(8) The alleged visibly intoxicated person does not have a cause of action under this section and a person shall not have a cause of action pursuant to this section for the loss of financial support,

services, gifts, parental training, guidance, love, society, or companionship of the alleged visibly intoxicated person.

(9) This section provides the exclusive remedy for money damages against a licensee arising out of the selling, giving, or furnishing of alcoholic liquor to a minor or intoxicated person.

(10) Except as otherwise provided for under this section and section 815, a civil action under subsection (2) against a retail licensee is subject to the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.101 to 600.9947.

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Compiler's Notes: Former sections 22 to 22h of Act 8 of 1933 (Ex. Sess.), being MCL 436.22 to 436.22h, and which were repealed by Act 58 of 1998, Eff. Apr. 14, 1998, were formerly known and cited as the "Dram Shop Act."

Popular Name: Dram Shop Act

436.1803 Retailer or applicant for retail license; proof of financial responsibility; naming insurer or surety as defendant prohibited; effect of bankruptcy; policies and bonds to be continued from year to year; cancellation of liquor liability insurance policy; revocation; section inapplicable to special licensee or applicant for special license; rules.

Sec. 803.

(1) Before the renewal or approval and granting of a retail license, a retail licensee or applicant for a retail license shall file with the commission proof of financial responsibility providing security for liability under section 801(2) of not less than $50,000.00. The proof of financial responsibility may be in the form of cash, unencumbered securities, a policy or policies of liquor liability insurance, a constant value bond executed by a surety company authorized to do business in this state, or membership in a group self-insurance pool authorized by law that provides security for liability under section 801.

(2) A licensee may furnish proof of financial responsibility that exceeds the requirements of this section.

(3) An insurer under a policy or policies of liquor liability insurance or a surety under a bond must not be named as a defendant in an action brought against the insured or bonded licensee for liability under section 801. Bankruptcy of the insured does not discharge an insurer or surety under this section from liability. Insurance policies and bonds issued for purposes under this section must continue from year to year unless sooner canceled by the insurer.

(4) An insured retail licensee shall not cancel any such liquor liability insurance except upon 30 days' prior written notice to the commission and unless new proof of financial responsibility complying with this section is procured by the retail licensee and delivered to the commission before the expiration of the 30-day period. The commission shall revoke the license of a retail licensee that violates this subsection.

(5) This section does not apply to a special licensee or applicant for a special license.

(6) The commission shall promulgate rules under the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, to implement and enforce this section.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2016, Act 105, Eff. Aug. 1, 2016; --Am. 2019, Act 131, Imd. Eff. Nov. 21, 2019

Compiler's Notes: Former sections 22 to 22h of Act 8 of 1933 (Ex. Sess.), being MCL 436.22 to 436.22h, and which were repealed by Act 58 of 1998, Eff. Apr. 14, 1998, were formerly known and cited as the "Dram Shop Act."

Popular Name: Dram Shop Act

Admin Rule: R 436.2001 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.

436.1804 Multiple violations of MCL 436.1903b; suspension of license.

Sec. 804.

The commission shall suspend the license of a retailer for 14 days if the retailer has made 6 or more payments to a wholesaler that have been dishonored by a financial institution in violation of section 903b on different dates in 12 consecutive months.

History: 2025, Act 65, Imd. Eff. Dec. 23, 2025.

436.1805 Suit to enforce liability when service of process not effected; affidavit; service upon commission in duplicate; return; copy served on defendant; hearing; duty of commission.

Sec. 805.

If an action is instituted against a retailer as defendant in any court of competent jurisdiction to enforce the liability provided in section 801 and service of process has not been effected in the manner provided for by law, and either the sheriff or constable to whom process has been delivered for service shall make return that he or she has not been able to serve the defendant for a period of 30 days, in which period he or she has made 3 or more attempts to serve the defendant at his or her residence or place of business, or the plaintiff or another person with knowledge of the facts files an affidavit in the cause stating that the defendant has ceased to be a resident of the state of Michigan or has been absent from the state for a continuous period of 6 months, then it shall be competent for the plaintiff to cause service of process to be made upon the defendant by service of the process upon the commission, the liability for which suit is brought arose during the period in which the defendant was a licensed retailer and was insured under the provisions of section 803. Such service of process shall be made in duplicate on the commission, and return showing such service shall be made to the court. The commission shall mail a copy of the process served upon it to the defendant at the address shown in the consent to service of process, and shall immediately transmit to the clerk of the court in which the action is pending an acknowledgment of the mailing of the copy of that process by the commission to the defendant. Whenever the foregoing provisions of this section have been complied with, the court may proceed to hear and determine the matter as fully and effectually as though the defendant retailer had been personally served with process within the jurisdiction of the court. The commission shall also notify the insurer under the liability policy of the defendant, on file with the commission, that the commission has received service of that process, stating the names of the parties to the action and the court in which the action is pending. If the defendant retailer is deceased, service of process may be made upon the executor or administrator of the deceased defendant by service on the commission, in an action in which that service would be authorized by this section upon the defendant if he or she were living, in the manner provided in this section.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

Compiler's Notes: Former sections 22 to 22h of Act 8 of 1933 (Ex. Sess.), being MCL 436.22 to 436.22h, and which were repealed by Act 58 of 1998, Eff. Apr. 14, 1998, were formerly known and cited as the “Dram Shop Act.”

Popular Name: Dram Shop Act

436.1807 Insurer to file notice of termination or cancellation of contract or policy; effective date.

Sec. 807.

The insurer shall file with the commission, at Lansing, Michigan, at least 30 days before the effectiveness of any termination or cancellation of the contract or policy, a notice giving the date at which it is proposed to terminate or cancel the contract or policy. Any termination of the contract or policy shall not be effective as far as the insured covered by the policy is concerned until 30 days after such notice of the proposed termination or cancellation is received by the commission.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

Compiler's Notes: Former sections 22 to 22h of Act 8 of 1933 (Ex. Sess.), being MCL 436.22 to 436.22h, and which were repealed by Act 58 of 1998, Eff. Apr. 14, 1998, were formerly known and cited as the “Dram Shop Act.”

Popular Name: Dram Shop Act

436.1809 Payment of judgment and costs; time; failure or neglect to pay judgment and costs; punitive damages; action against insurer.

Sec. 809.

Except as otherwise provided for by law or the Michigan court rules, when an action for damages brought under this act has been reduced to a judgment, the insurer shall, within 90 days from the date of the judgment, pay the judgment together with the costs in full, unless the judgment has been paid or settled by the insured. If the insurer fails or neglects to pay the judgment and costs within 90 days, it shall be subject

to punitive damages in the amount of $1,000.00, in addition to the amount of the judgment and interest on the judgment. The amount of the judgment, with interest on the judgment, and the punitive damages provided for in this section may be recovered by the person or persons entitled to damages under the judgment in an action against the insurer in any court of competent jurisdiction in this state.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

Compiler's Notes: Former sections 22 to 22h of Act 8 of 1933 (Ex. Sess.), being MCL 436.22 to 436.22h, and which were repealed by Act 58 of 1998, Eff. Apr. 14, 1998, were formerly known and cited as the "Dram Shop Act." **Popular Name**: Dram Shop Act

436.1811 Insurance policy; coverage, conditions.

Sec. 811.

The insurance policy described in this chapter shall cover the liability imposed by section 801 and shall contain the following conditions:

That no condition, provision, stipulation or limitation contained in the policy, or any other endorsement thereon, shall relieve the insurer from liability (within the statutory limits provided by section 803 of the Michigan liquor control code of 1998), for the payment of any claim for which the insured may be held legally liable under section 801 of said act.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 1998, Act 416, Imd. Eff. Dec. 21, 1998

Compiler's Notes: Former sections 22 to 22h of Act 8 of 1933 (Ex. Sess.), being MCL 436.22 to 436.22h, and which were repealed by Act 58 of 1998, Eff. Apr. 14, 1998, were formerly known and cited as the "Dram Shop Act."

Popular Name: Dram Shop Act

436.1813 False statement or breach of authority; cancellation of insurance.

Sec. 813.

No false statement or breach of authority or act or omission on the part of the insured shall vitiate this insurance, unless the intention of the insured to conceal a hazard of perpetrating fraud is proven; and this policy cannot be cancelled by the insured or the company without first giving thirty days' written notice to the commission in Lansing, Michigan.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

Compiler's Notes: Former sections 22 to 22h of Act 8 of 1933 (Ex. Sess.), being MCL 436.22 to 436.22h, and which were repealed by Act 58 of 1998, Eff. Apr. 14, 1998, were formerly known and cited as the "Dram Shop Act."

Popular Name: Dram Shop Act

436.1815 Adherence to responsible business practices as defense; compensation of employee on commission basis.

Sec. 815.

(1) In defense of a civil action under section 801, a retail licensee may present evidence that, at the time of the selling, giving, or furnishing of the alcoholic liquor, the retail licensee was adhering to responsible business practices. Responsible business practices are those business policies, procedures, and actions which an ordinarily prudent person would follow in like circumstances. The compensating of an employee of an on-premises retail licensee on a commission basis constitutes an unreasonable business practice for purposes of this section.

(2) The compensation of an employee of an on-premises retail licensee shall not be on a commission basis.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

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Popular Name: Dram Shop Act

436.1901 Compliance required; prohibited acts.

Sec. 901.

(1) A person, directly or indirectly, himself or herself or by his or her clerk, agent, or employee, shall not manufacture, manufacture for sale, sell, offer or keep for sale, barter, furnish, import, import for sale, transport for hire, transport, or possess any alcoholic liquor unless the person complies with this act.
(2) A licensee shall not allow unlawful gambling on the licensed premises and shall not allow on the licensed premises any gaming devices prohibited by law.
(3) A licensee shall not sell, offer or keep for sale, furnish, possess, or allow a customer to consume alcoholic liquor that is not authorized by the license issued to the licensee by the commission.
(4) A person, whether or not a licensee, shall not sell, deliver, or import spirits unless the sale, delivery, or importation is made by the commission, the commission's authorized agent or distributor, an authorized distribution agent certified by order of the commission, a person licensed by the commission, or by prior written order of the commission. A person who violates this subsection is subject to the sanctions and penalties contained in section 909(4) and, in the case of a violation of section 909(4)(a), is subject to forfeiture of proceeds or an instrumentality as provided for in chapter XXVA of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.159f to 750.159x.
(5) A licensee shall not sell or furnish alcoholic liquor to a person who maintains, operates, or leases premises that are not licensed by the commission and upon which other persons unlawfully engage in the sale or consumption of alcoholic liquor for consideration as prohibited by section 913.
(6) A retail licensee shall not, on his or her licensed premises, sell, offer for sale, accept, furnish, possess, or allow the consumption of alcoholic liquor that has not been purchased by the retail licensee from the commission, the commission's authorized agent or distributor, an authorized distribution agent certified by order of the commission, or a licensee of the commission authorized to sell that alcoholic liquor to a retail licensee. This subsection does not apply to the consumption of alcoholic liquor in the bedrooms or suites of registered guests of licensed hotels or in the bedrooms or suites of bona fide members of licensed clubs.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2008, Act 11, Imd. Eff. Feb. 29, 2008; -- Am. 2010, Act 175, Imd. Eff. Sept. 30, 2010

436.1903 Suspension or revocation of license; violation of act or rules; penalty; disposition; hearing; procedure; fee; right of appeal; institution of criminal prosecutions; defense; rules; appointment of agents to hear violation cases; authority and responsibility; ineligibility of designated agent for appointment to commission.

Sec. 903.

(1) The commission or any commissioner or duly authorized agent of the commission designated by the chairperson of the commission, on notice and proper hearing, may suspend or revoke any license on a violation of this act or any of the rules promulgated by the commission under this act. The commission or any commissioner or authorized agent of the commission designated by the chairperson of the commission, may assess a penalty of not more than $300.00 for each violation of this act or rules promulgated under this act, or not more than $1,000.00 for each violation of section 801(1), in addition to or instead of revocation or suspension of the license, which penalty must be paid to the commission and deposited with the state treasurer and must be credited to the general fund of the state. The commission shall hold a hearing and order the suspension or revocation of a license if the licensee has been found liable for 3 or more separate violations of section 801(1) which violations occurred on different occasions within a 24-month period unless the violations for the sale, furnishing, or giving alcoholic liquor to a minor were discovered by the licensee and disclosed to an appropriate law enforcement agency immediately on discovery. A retail licensee who sells, offers to sell, accepts, furnishes, possesses, or allows the consumption of spirits in violation of section 901(6) is subject to an administrative fine of not more than $2,500.00 per occurrence and the following license sanctions after notice and opportunity for an administrative hearing under the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328:

(a) For a first violation, a license revocation or suspension for between 1 and 30 days.
(b) For a second violation, a license revocation or suspension for between 31 and 90 days.
(c) For a third or subsequent violation, revocation of the license.

(2) The commission shall provide a procedure by which a licensee who is aggrieved by any penalty imposed under subsection (1) and any suspension or revocation of a license ordered by the commission, a commissioner, or a duly authorized agent of the commission may request a hearing for the purpose of presenting any facts or reasons to the commission as to why the penalty, suspension, or revocation should be modified or rescinded. The request must be in writing and accompanied by a fee of $25.00. The commission, after reviewing the record made before a commissioner or an authorized agent of the commission, may allow or refuse to allow the hearing in accordance with the commission's rules. The right to a hearing provided in this subsection, however, must not be interpreted by a court as curtailing, removing, or annulling the right of the commission to suspend or revoke licenses as provided for in this act. A licensee does not have a right of appeal from the final determination of the commission, except by leave of the circuit court. Notice of the order of suspension or revocation of a license or of the assessment of a penalty, or both, must be given in the manner prescribed by the commission. The suspension or revocation of a license or the assessment of a penalty, or both, by the commission or an authorized agent of the commission does not prohibit the institution of a criminal prosecution for a violation of this act. The institution of a criminal prosecution for a violation of this act or the acquittal or conviction of a person for a violation of this act does not prevent the suspension or revocation of a license or the assessment of a penalty, or both, by the commission. In a hearing for the suspension or revocation of a license issued under this act, proof that the defendant licensee or an agent or employee of the licensee demanded and was shown, before furnishing any alcoholic liquor to a minor, a motor vehicle operator or chauffeur license or a registration certificate issued by the federal selective service, or other bona fide documentary evidence of majority and identity of the person, may be offered as evidence in a defense to a proceeding for the suspension or revocation of a license issued under this act. A licensee who has reason to believe that a minor has used fraudulent identification to purchase alcoholic liquor in violation of section 703 shall file a police report concerning the violation with a local law enforcement agency and shall also present the alleged fraudulent identification to the local law enforcement agency at the time of filing the report if the identification is in the possession of the licensee. The commission may promulgate rules under the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, regarding the use by licensees of equipment designed to detect altered or forged driver licenses, state identification cards, and other forms of identification.

(3) In addition to the hearing commissioners provided for in section 209, the chairperson of the commission may designate not more than 2 authorized agents to hear violation cases. A person appointed under this subsection must be a member in good standing of the State Bar of Michigan.

(4) An authorized agent who has been designated by the chairperson under subsection (3) has, in the hearing of violation cases, the same authority and responsibility as does a hearing commissioner under this act and the rules promulgated under this act.

(5) An authorized agent who has been designated by the chairperson under subsection (3) shall be ineligible for appointment to the commission for a period of 1 year after the person ceases to serve as an authorized agent.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 1998, Act 416, Imd. Eff. Dec. 21, 1998; -- Am. 2000, Act 431, Imd. Eff. Jan. 9, 2001; -- Am. 2010, Act 175, Imd. Eff. Sept. 30, 2010; --Am. 2019, Act 131, Imd. Eff. Nov. 21, 2019

436.1903a Conviction or administrative disqualification of licensee; electronic transaction; sanctions; hearing and appeal procedures; definitions.

Sec. 903a.

(1) A licensee is subject to the licensing sanctions in subsection (2) if the licensee is convicted or administratively disqualified as the result of an electronic transaction to which all of the following apply:
(a) The transaction is a transaction for food assistance program benefits.
(b) The transaction involves an item other than eligible food.
(c) The transaction is related to the sale of alcoholic liquor under that licensee's liquor license.

(2) The commission or a commissioner or duly authorized agent of the commission designated by the chairperson of the commission shall, upon due notice and proper hearing, impose the following license sanctions upon a licensee described in subsection (1):
   (a) For a first violation, a license suspension for between 30 and 60 days.
   (b) For a second violation, a license suspension for between 61 and 120 days.
   (c) For a third or subsequent violation, revocation of the license.
(3) A licensee aggrieved by a sanction imposed under subsection (2) may invoke the hearing and appeal procedures of section 903(2) and rules promulgated under that section.
(4) As used in this section:
   (a) "Administratively disqualified" means administratively disqualified from acting as a merchant under the food and nutrition act of 2008, 7 USC 2011 to 2036a, or 7 CFR 278.6 because the licensee has engaged in trafficking as that term is defined in 7 CFR 271.2. A licensee is not administratively disqualified until any administrative or judicial review under 7 CFR 279 is complete.
   (b) "Convicted" means that the licensee either was convicted of or pled guilty to a crime under section 300a(1)(c) of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.300a.
   (c) "Eligible food" means that term as defined in 7 CFR 271.2.

History: Add. 2013, Act 55, Eff. Sept. 10, 2013

436.1903b Payment by means dishonored by financial institution; violation of act; administrative fee.

Sec. 903b.

(1) A retailer violates this act if the retailer or the retailer's clerk, servant, agent, or employee makes a payment to a wholesaler by any means that has been dishonored by a financial institution for any reason.
(2) A wholesaler shall require a retailer that has made a payment to the wholesaler that has been dishonored by a financial institution to pay the wholesaler an administrative fee as follows:
   (a) For the first dishonored payment, $50.00.
   (b) For a second dishonored payment within 12 months of the first dishonored payment, $100.00.
   (c) For a third dishonored payment within 12 months of the first dishonored payment, $150.00.
   (d) For a fourth dishonored payment within 12 months of the first dishonored payment, $200.00.
   (e) For a fifth or any subsequent dishonored payment within 12 months of the first dishonored payment, $250.00.

History: Add. 2016, Act 434, Imd. Eff. Jan. 4, 2017; --Am. 2025, Act 65 Imd. Eff. Dec. 23, 2025

436.1904 Consumption or possession of alcoholic liquor on school property; prohibition; violation as misdemeanor; exceptions; other violations; application of section to minor; definitions.

Sec. 904.

(1) A person shall not consume alcoholic liquor on school property or possess alcoholic liquor on school property with the intent to consume it on school property.
(2) A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as follows:
   (a) If the person has no prior convictions, by imprisonment for not more than 93 days or a fine of not more than $250.00, or both.
   (b) If the person has 1 prior conviction, by imprisonment for not more than 93 days or a fine of not more than $500.00, or both.
   (c) If the person has 2 or more prior convictions, by imprisonment for not more than 1 year or a fine of not more than $1,000.00, or both.
(3) This section does not prohibit a person from consuming alcoholic liquor on school property or possessing alcoholic liquor on school property with the intent to consume it on school property under any of the following circumstances:
   (a) As part of a generally recognized religious service or religious ceremony.
   (b) At a nonschool function or event on school property if the superintendent of the school district or, if the school is not operated by a school district, the administrator of the school, or his or her designee, has approved consuming alcoholic liquor on school property or possessing

alcoholic liquor on school property with the intent to consume it on school property during that function or event.

(4) This section does not prohibit an individual from being convicted of or found responsible for any other violation of law arising out of the same transaction as the violation of this section.

(5) This section does not apply to a minor who could be subject to prosecution under section 703 of the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1703.

(6) As used in this section:

(a) “Prior conviction” means a conviction for violating this section or a local ordinance substantially corresponding to this section.

(b) “School” means a public school offering developmental kindergarten, kindergarten, or any grade from 1 through 12.

(c) “School property” means a building, playing field, vehicle, or other property used for functions and events sponsored by a school, except a building used primarily for adult education or college extension courses.

History: Add. 1999, Act 274, Eff. Apr. 3, 2000

Popular Name: Act 306

436.1905 Selling or furnishing alcoholic liquor to minor; enforcement actions prohibited; conditions; exception.

Sec. 905.

(1) Notwithstanding section 903, if a retail licensee or a retail licensee's clerk, agent, or employee violates this act by selling or furnishing alcoholic liquor to a minor, or by allowing a minor to consume alcoholic liquor or possess alcoholic liquor for personal consumption on the licensed premises, and if the enforcing agency involved in the prosecution of the violation is the state police or a local police agency, the commission shall not take any action under section 903 to suspend or revoke the licensee's license or assess an administrative fine against the licensee unless all of the following occur, if applicable:

(a) Enforcement action is taken against the minor who purchased, consumed, or received the alcoholic liquor from the retail licensee or the retail licensee's clerk, agent, or employee.

(b) Enforcement action is taken under section 701 against the person 21 years of age or older that is not the retail licensee or the retail licensee's clerk, agent, or employee but who sold or furnished the alcoholic liquor to the minor.

(c) Enforcement action is taken under section 701 against the retail licensee's clerk, agent, or employee.

(2) Subsection (1) does not apply if the enforcing agent involved in the prosecution is a commission inspector rather than a police agency.

(3) Subsection (1)(a) does not apply if the prosecution of the violation is the result of an undercover operation in which the minor who purchased, consumed, or received the alcoholic liquor acted under the direction of the state police or a local police agency as part of the enforcement action and such enforcement action is otherwise in compliance with section 701(4), (5), and (6).

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2002, Act 725, Imd. Eff. Dec. 30, 2002

436.1906 Definitions; server training program.

Sec. 906.

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Administrator" means a qualifying company, postsecondary educational institution, or trade association authorized by the commission to offer server training programs and instructor certification classes in compliance with this section and to certify to the commission that those persons meet the requirements of this section.

(b) "Instructor" means an individual certified by an administrator and approved by the commission to teach server training programs. An instructor may be a licensee or an employee of a licensee.

(c) "Prohibited sale" means the sale of alcoholic liquor by an employee of a licensee to a visibly intoxicated person or to a minor, or both.

(d) "Responsible vendor" means a designation by the commission of a retail licensee meeting the standards of this section.
(e) "Server training program" means an educational program whose curriculum has been approved by the commission under the standards described in this section and is offered by an administrator or instructor to a retail licensee, or a licensee operating a tasting room or providing samples of alcoholic liquor, for its employees.

(2) The commission shall approve the establishing of a server training program designed for all new on premises licensees or transferees of more than a 50% interest in an on premises license on or after the commencement of the mandatory server training program, and for any existing retail licensees the commission determines to be in need of training due to the frequency or types of violations of this act involving the serving of alcoholic liquor. This subsection does not apply to special licenses except that the commission may require server training for certain special licensees based upon the size and nature of the licensed event. The commission may adopt the existing standards and programmatic framework of private entities and may delegate nondiscretionary administrative functions to outside private entities.

(3) The commission shall establish a program in which the commission designates certain retail licensees, except special licenses, as responsible vendors. The commission may adopt the existing standards and programmatic framework of private entities and may delegate nondiscretionary administrative functions to outside private entities.

(4) The commission shall designate as a responsible vendor a retail licensee who makes available to all full-time and part-time retail employees, within 60 days after being hired, a server training program and who is also free of convictions or administrative determinations involving prohibited sales for not less than 12 months before applying for the designation. The designation continues until suspended by the commission.

(5) A person may apply to the commission for qualification as an administrator for the offering of server training programs and instructor certification classes.

(6) The commission shall approve a curriculum for a server training program presented by a certified instructor in a manner considered by the commission to be adequate that includes, but is not limited to, all of the following topics:
(a) The identification of progressive stages of intoxication and the visible signs associated with each stage.
(b) The identification of the time delay between consumption and visibility of signs of progressive intoxication.
(c) Basic alcohol content among different types of measured drinks containing alcoholic liquor.
(d) Variables associated with visible intoxication, including the rate of drinking, experience, weight, food consumption, sex, and use of other drugs.
(e) Personal skills to handle slow-down of service and intervention procedures.
(f) Procedures for monitoring consumption and maintaining incident reports.
(g) The understanding of acceptable forms of personal identification, techniques for determining the validity of identification, and procedures for dealing with fraudulent identification.
(h) Assessment of the need to ask for identification based on appearance or company policy.
(i) The identification of potential second-party sales and furnishing of alcoholic liquor to minors by persons 21 years of age or over.
(j) The understanding of possible legal, civil, and administrative consequences of violations of this act, the rules of the commission, and other pertinent state laws.
(k) The understanding of Michigan laws pertaining to minors attempting to purchase, minors in possession, and second-party sales or furnishing of alcoholic liquor from adults to minors.
(l) Knowledge of the legal hours of alcoholic liquor service and occupancy.
(m) The identification of signs of prohibited activities, such as gambling, solicitation for prostitution, and drug sales.
(n) Any other pertinent laws as determined by the commission.

(7) The commission shall issue an instructor certification to an individual presenting evidence acceptable to the commission of having successfully completed instructor certification classes and shall issue an identification card indicating that certification by the commission.

(8) Upon approval by the commission of a server training program, the commission shall appoint the person sponsoring the server training program as an administrator of that program. The administrator shall provide a certification to the commission that a retail licensee has successfully completed the server training program offered by a certified instructor and approved by the

commission and shall recommend that the commission designate the licensee as a responsible vendor.

(9) A certified instructor who is a licensee or an employee of a licensee may offer server training programs approved by the commission to the employees of the licensee and certify to the commission those persons who successfully completed the program.

(10) An on premises licensee whose license was issued or who was the transferee of more than a 50% interest in an on premises license on or after the commencement of the mandatory server training program or an on premises licensee determined by the commission to be in need of training due to the frequency or types of violations of this act involving the serving of alcoholic liquor must have employed or present on the licensed premises, at a minimum, supervisory personnel who have successfully completed a server training program on each shift and during all hours in which alcoholic liquor is served. An on premises licensee must keep a copy of the responsible vendor designation or proof of completion of server training on the licensed premises to facilitate the verification of such designation by the commission, agent of the commission, or law enforcement officer. An on premises licensee determined by the commission to have violated this subsection is subject to revocation, suspension, or other sanction as provided for in section 903. A violation of this subsection is not a violation of section 909.

(11) As a condition of the designation of a licensee as a responsible vendor, the licensee shall make available to the administrator in not less than 60-day time increments records sufficient to verify the names and social security numbers of his or her employees. The administrator shall provide to the commission a list of names and social security numbers of individuals who have successfully completed the server training program and shall monitor the licensee in a manner approved by the commission in order to verify continued compliance of the licensee's status as a responsible vendor. The administrator shall notify the commission in writing as soon as it determines that the licensee has failed to maintain the standards for server training or has failed to cooperate with the administrator's verification procedure. Upon receipt of such a notice from the administrator, the commission shall suspend the licensee's designation as a responsible vendor.

(12) The commission may suspend the designation of a retail licensee as a responsible vendor upon a conviction or administrative determination of a prohibited sale on the licensee's licensed premises. The retail licensee losing such a designation may reapply for designation as a responsible vendor upon the passage of 12 months from the date of the conviction or administrative determination of a prohibited sale if the licensee is not convicted or administratively determined to have engaged in a prohibited sale on the licensed premises. After the first instance of a retail licensee losing its designation as a responsible vendor, that retail licensee is not eligible to reapply for such a designation until an additional 3 months for each subsequent conviction or determination. The 3-month time periods are to be in addition to the 12-month period described in this subsection.

(13) A responsible vendor is not considered to be in violation of the prohibition contained in section 707(4) regarding allowing an intoxicated person to frequent or loiter on the licensed premises unless the facts demonstrate otherwise.

History: Add. 1998, Act 391, Imd. Eff. Dec. 1, 1998; -- Am. 2000, Act 431, Imd. Eff. Jan. 9, 2001; -- Am. 2008, Act 11, Imd. Eff. Feb. 29, 2008; -- Am. 2008, Act 218, Imd. Eff. July 16, 2008

436.1907 Revocation of license; forfeiture of privileges; seizure of alcoholic liquor.

Sec. 907.

(1) Upon revocation of a license issued under this act, any and all privileges conferred by that license shall be forfeited and the commission shall seize any and all alcoholic liquor found in the possession of the licensee.

(2) The commission shall remit to that licensee the purchase price less 10%, paid by the licensee to the commission for all alcoholic liquor seized. All other alcoholic liquor seized shall be disposed of by order of the commission and no payment shall be made for that alcoholic liquor.

(3) A person whose license has been revoked for cause or whose license has been ordered transferred to another person for cause is not eligible for issuance or reissuance of a license under this act for a period of at least 2 years.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1909 Violation of act as misdemeanor; penalties; legislative intent.

Sec. 909.

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this act, a person, other than a person required to be licensed under this act, who violates this act is guilty of a misdemeanor.
(2) Except as otherwise provided in this act, a licensee who violates this act, or a rule or regulation promulgated under this act, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 6 months or a fine of not more than $500.00, or both.
(3) A person who performs an act for which a license is required under this act without first obtaining that license or who sells alcoholic liquor in a county that has prohibited the sale of alcoholic liquor under section 1107 is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 1 year or by a fine of not more than $1,000.00, or both.
(4) A person, whether or not a licensee, who violates section 901(4) is subject to the following penalties or sanctions:
   (a) A person who sells, delivers, or imports spirits in violation of section 901(4) in the amount of at least 80,000 milliliters is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 4 years or a fine of not more than $5,000.00, or both.
   (b) A person who sells, delivers, or imports spirits in violation of section 901(4) in the amount of at least 8,000 milliliters but less than 80,000 milliliters is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 93 days or a fine of not more than $2,500.00, or both.
   (c) A person who sells, delivers, or imports spirits in violation of section 901(4) in the amount of less than 8,000 milliliters is responsible for a state civil infraction and may be ordered to pay a civil fine of not more than $1,000.00.
(5) Subject to subsection (6), a person, whether or not a licensee, who sell, delivers, or imports beer or wine in violation of section 203(1) is subject to the following penalties or sanctions:
   (a) A person who sells, delivers, or imports beer or wine in violation of section 203(1) in the amount of at least 225,000 milliliters is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 4 years or a fine of not more than $5,000.00 or both.
   (b) A person who sells, delivers, or imports beer or wine in violation of section 203(1) in the amount of at least 45,000 milliliters but less than 225,000 milliliters is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 93 days or a fine of not more than $2,500.00, or both.
   (c) A person who sells, delivers, or imports beer or wine in violation of section 203(1) in the amount of less than 45,000 milliliters is responsible for a state civil infraction and may be ordered to pay a civil fine of not more than $500.00.
(6) As used in subsection (5), “person” does not include any of the following:
   (a) An air carrier as that terms is defined in 49 USC 40102.
   (b) A freight forwarder as that term is defined in 49 USC 13102.
   (c) A motor carrier as that term is defined in 49 USC 13102.
(7) The remedies under this act are cumulative and independent. The use of 1 remedy by a person does not bar the use of other lawful remedies by the person or the use of a lawful remedy by another person.
(8) It is the intent of the legislature that the court, in imposing punishment under this section, should discriminate between casual or slight violations and habitual sales of alcoholic liquor or attempts to commercialize violations of this act or the rules or regulations promulgated under this act.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2010, Act 175, Imd. Eff. Sept. 30, 2010;--Am. 2017, Act 87, Eff. Oct, 2017

436.1911 Failure to pay tax; penalties; collection.

Sec. 911.

(1) If a person fails or refuses to pay the tax required by this act, the commission shall assess the tax against that person and the tax shall become due and payable together with a penalty or penalties that the commission considers appropriate, but not to exceed $5,000.00, upon demand by the commission or a person designated by the commission. If the tax remains unpaid for 15 days after that demand is made, the commission may issue its warrant under its official seal, directed to the sheriff of any county or other officer, to levy upon and sell the taxpayer's property, either personal or real, used in connection with the business for the privilege of doing which the tax is levied, found

within his or her jurisdiction, for the payment of the amount of the tax with the added penalties, interest, and cost of executing the warrant. A warrant issued under this section shall be returned to the commission, together with the money collected by virtue of the warrant, within the time specified in the warrant, which time shall be not less than 20 or more than 90 days from the date of the warrant. The sheriff or other officer to whom the warrant is directed shall proceed upon the warrant in all respects, with like effect, and in the same manner as prescribed by law in respect to executions issued against property upon judgments by a court of record, and shall be entitled to the same fees for his service in executing the warrant, to be collected in the same manner. The state of Michigan, through the commission or an officer or agent designated by it, is authorized to bid for and purchase any property sold under this section.

(2) In addition to the mode of collection provided in subsection (1), the commission may bring an action at law in the county in which the business or any part of the business is carried on, to collect and recover the amount of taxes, interest, or penalties, or any combination of taxes, interest, or penalties, due from a taxpayer.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1913 Unlicensed premises or place; unlawful consumption of alcoholic liquor; exceptions; construction of section; "consideration" defined.

Sec. 913.

(1) A person shall not do either of the following:
   (a) Maintain, operate, or lease, or otherwise furnish to any person, any premises or place that is not licensed under this act within which the other person may engage in the drinking of alcoholic liquor for consideration.
   (b) Obtain by way of lease or rental agreement, and furnish or provide to any other person, any premises or place that is not licensed under this act within which any other person may engage in the drinking of alcoholic liquor for consideration.

(2) A person shall not consume alcoholic liquor in a commercial establishment selling food if the commercial establishment is not licensed under this act. A person owning, operating, or leasing a commercial establishment selling food which is not licensed under this act shall not allow the consumption of alcoholic liquor on its premises.

(3) This section shall not apply to any hotel or any licensee under this act.

(4) This section shall not be construed to repeal or amend section 1019.

(5) As used in this section, "consideration" includes any fee, cover charge, ticket purchase, the storage of alcoholic liquor, the sale of food, ice, mixers, or other liquids used with alcoholic liquor drinks, or the purchasing of any service or item, or combination of service and item; or includes the furnishing of glassware or other containers for use in the consumption of alcoholic liquor in conjunction with the sale of food.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2006, Act 131, Imd. Eff. May 5, 2006

436.1914 Alcohol vapor devices prohibited; penalty.

Sec. 914.

(1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3), a person shall not use or offer for use, possess, sell, or offer for sale an alcohol vapor device.

(2) A person who violates subsection (1) is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable in the manner provided for in section 909.

(3) The commission may jointly promulgate rules with the department of community health to allow for the sale or use of an alcohol vapor device for research purposes.

History: Add. 2005, Act 320, Imd. Eff. Dec. 27, 2005

436.1914a Added powdered alcohol; use, possession, sale, or offer for sale prohibited; violation as misdemeanor; exception; "powdered alcohol" defined.

Sec. 914a.

(1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2), a person shall not use or offer for use, possess, sell, or offer for sale powdered alcohol. A person that violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as provided in section 909.
(2) This section does not apply to a hospital that operates primarily for the purpose of conducting scientific research, a state institution conducting bona fide research, a private college or university conducting bona fide research, or a pharmaceutical company or biotechnology company conducting bona fide research.
(3) As used in this section, "powdered alcohol" means alcohol that is sold in powder form for either direct use or reconstitution.

History: Add. 2015, Act 165, Eff. Jan. 26, 2016

436.1914b Marihuana-infused beer, wine, mixed wine drink, mixed spirit drink, or spirits; use, possession, sale, or offer for sale prohibited; exception; definitions.

Sec. 914b.

(1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2), a person shall not use or offer for use, possess, sell, or offer for sale marihuana-infused beer, wine, mixed wine drink, mixed spirit drink, or spirits. A person that violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as provided in section 909.
(2) This section does not apply to a hospital that operates primarily for the purposes of conducting scientific research, a state institution conducting bona fide research, a private college or university conducting bona fide research, or a pharmaceutical company or biotechnology company conducting bona fide research.
(3) As used in this section:
   (a) “Marihuana” means that term as defined in section 3 of the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Acct, 2018 IL 1, MCL 333.27953.
   (b) “Marihuana-infused beer, wine, mixed wine drink, mixed spirit drink, or spirits” means beer, wine, mixed wine drink, mixed spirit drink, or spirits that contain any amount of marihuana.

History: Add. 2018, Act 346, Imd. Eff. Oct. 16, 2018; --Am. 2021, Act 63, Eff. Oct. 11, 2021

436.1915 Possessing or consuming alcoholic liquor on public highway or in park, place of amusement, or publicly owned area; authority of local governmental unit or state department or agency to prohibit possession or consumption of alcoholic liquor; definitions.

Sec. 915.

(1) Alcoholic liquor shall not be consumed on the public highways.
(2) Except as provided in subsections (3) and (4), alcoholic liquor may be possessed or consumed in public parks, public places of amusement, or a publicly owned area not licensed to sell for consumption on the premises.
(3) The governing body of a local governmental unit may prohibit by ordinance, order, or resolution the possession or consumption of alcoholic liquor in any public park, public place of amusement, or publicly owned area that is owned or administered, or both, by that local governmental unit. When land is leased from a department or agency of this state, an ordinance, order, or resolution adopted pursuant to this subsection shall be subject to the approval of the department or agency.
(4) A department or agency of this state that administers public lands may prohibit by rule, order, or resolution the possession or consumption of alcoholic liquor on the public land under its jurisdiction.

(5) As used in this section:
(a) “Local governmental unit” means a county, city, township, village, or charter authority.
(b) “Publicly owned area” means an area under the jurisdiction of a local governmental unit.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1916 Entertainment, dance, or topless activity permits; issuance; prohibited activity; exceptions; permits issued under administrative rule; fees; definitions.

Sec. 916.

(1) An on-premises licensee shall not allow monologues, dialogues, motion pictures, still slides, closed circuit television, contests, or other performances for public viewing on the licensed premises unless the licensee has applied for and been granted an entertainment permit by the commission. Issuance of an entertainment permit under this subsection does not allow topless activity on the licensed premises.
(2) An on-premises licensee shall not allow dancing by customers on the licensed premises unless the licensee has applied for and been granted a dance permit by the commission. Issuance of a dance permit under this subsection does not allow topless activity on the licensed premises.
(3) An on-premises licensee shall not allow topless activity on the licensed premises unless the licensee has applied for and been granted a topless activity permit by the commission. This section is not intended to prevent a local unit of government from enacting an ordinance prohibiting topless activity or nudity on a licensed premise located within that local unit of government. This subsection applies only to topless activity permits issued by the commission to on-premises licensees located in counties with a population of 95,000 or less.
(4) The commission may issue to an on-premises licensee a combination dance-entertainment permit or topless activity-entertainment permit after application requesting a permit for both types of activities.
(5) An on-premises licensee shall not allow the activities allowed by a permit issued under this section at any time other than the legal hours for sale and consumption of alcoholic liquor.
(6) An extended hours permit is required for an on-premises licensee to engage in any of the following activities on the licensed premises at any time other than the legal hours for the sale and consumption of alcoholic liquor:
(a) Monologues, dialogues, motion pictures, still slides, closed circuit television, contests, other performances for public viewing on the licensed premises, if holding a permit for those activities.
(b) Patron dancing, if holding a permit for that activity.
(c) The performance or playing of an orchestra, piano, or other types of musical instruments or singing or the viewing of any publicly broadcast television transmission from a federally licensed station.
(7) The commission may issue an extended hours permit to either of the following:
(a) A licensee not holding an entertainment, dance, or combination dance-entertainment permit, who desires to conduct activities described under subsection (11).
(b) A licensee who already holds, or submits an application for, an entertainment, dance, or combination dance-entertainment permit in order to conduct activities allowed by the permit.
(8) The applicant for only an extended hours permit shall obtain the local approval for the extended hours permit under subsection (10). An applicant for an extended hours permit who holds an entertainment, dance, or combination dance-entertainment permit shall obtain the local approval for the entertainment, dance, or combination dance-entertainment permit under subsection (10) as well as local approval for the extended hours permit under subsection (10). The commission shall waive the conditions contained in R 436.1437(1) of the Michigan administrative code relative to the application for an extended hours permit.
(9) An on-premises licensee issued an extended hours permit shall not allow customers on the licensed premises during the time period provided by the extended hours permit unless the activity, and only that activity, allowed by the extended hours permit is occurring. The issuance of an extended hours permit does not authorize any of the following:
(a) Topless activity.
(b) Except as otherwise provided under this subdivision, gaming as that term is defined in section 2 of the Michigan gaming control and revenue act, the Initiated Law of 1996, MCL 432.202. A

licensee holding a casino license issued under the Michigan gaming control and revenue act, the Initiated Law of 1996, MCL 432.201 to 432.226, may conduct gaming pursuant to the casino license only.

(c) Keno or other gaming authorized under the McCauley-Traxler-Law-Bowman-McNeely lottery act, 1972 PA 239, MCL 432.1 to 432.47.

(d) The extension of hours for the serving of alcoholic liquor.

(e) The extension of hours for the consumption of alcoholic liquor as provided for in R 436.1403 of the Michigan administrative code.

(10) Before the issuance of any permit under this section, the on-premises licensee shall obtain the approval of all of the following:

(a) The commission.

(b) Except in cities with a population of 1,000,000 or more, the local legislative body of the jurisdiction within which the premises are located.

(c) The chief law enforcement officer of the jurisdiction within which the premises are located or the entity contractually designated to enforce the law in that jurisdiction.

(11) The following activities are allowed without the granting of a permit under this section:

(a) The performance or playing of an orchestra, piano, or other types of musical instruments, or singing.

(b) Any publicly broadcast television transmission from a federally licensed station.

(12) In the case of a licensee granted an entertainment or dance permit under R 436.1407 of the Michigan administrative code who, after January 1, 1998, extended the activities conducted under that permit to regular or full-time topless activity, that licensee shall apply to the commission for a topless activity permit under this section within 60 days after April 14, 1998 in order to continue topless activity. Except as otherwise provided for in this subsection, this section applies only to entertainment or dance permits issued after April 14, 1998.

(13) The fees imposed by the commission for a permit under this section remain the same as the fees imposed under a permit issued under R 436.1407 of the Michigan administrative code.

(14) Except as otherwise provided, this section does not change the renewal or application process for a license under section 501 or the renewal process for permits issued under R 436.1407 of the Michigan administrative code.

(15) As used in this section:

(a) "Nudity" means exposure to public view of the whole or part of the pubic region; the whole or part of the anus; the whole or part of the buttocks; the whole or part of the genitals; or the breast area including the nipple or more than 1/2 of the area of the breast.

(b) "Topless activity" means activity that includes, but is not limited to, entertainment or work-related activity performed by any of the following persons on the licensed premises in which the female breast area, including the nipple, or more than 1/2 of the area of the breast, is directly exposed or exposed by means of see-through clothing or a body stocking:

(1) A licensee.

(2) An employee, agent, or contractor of the licensee.

(3) A person acting under the control of or with the permission of the licensee.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2005, Act 259, Imd. Eff. Dec. 16, 2005

436.1917 Liability of vendor.

Sec. 917.

(1) A person who engages in the business of selling or keeping for sale alcoholic liquor in violation of this act, whether as owner, clerk, agent, servant, or employee, is equally liable, as principal, both civilly and criminally, for the violation of this act.

(2) A person or principal is liable, both civilly and criminally, for the acts of his or her clerk, servant, agent, or employee, in violating this act.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1919 Forging documents, labels, or stamps; prohibited conduct; penalty.

Sec. 919.

A person who falsely or fraudulently makes, simulates, forges, alters, or counterfeits a document, label, or stamp prescribed by the commission under this act or rules promulgated under this act, or who causes or procures to be falsely or fraudulently made, simulated, forged, altered, or counterfeited any such document, label, or stamp, who knowingly and willfully utters, publishes, passes, or tenders as true, any such false, altered, forged, or counterfeited document, label, or stamp, or who uses more than once any label or stamp prescribed by the commission pursuant to this act or the rules promulgated under this act is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 1 year or by a fine of not more than $1,000.00, or both.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1921 Sale or exchange of ceramic commemorative bottles.

Sec. 921.

Notwithstanding section 203, a collector, who is 21 years of age or older, of ceramic commemorative bottles containing alcoholic liquor and bearing an unbroken federal tax stamp or seal may sell or trade the bottles to other such collectors of those bottles without obtaining a license under this act. All sales conducted under this subsection shall be for the purpose of exchanging ceramic commemorative bottles between private collectors of those bottles and shall not be for the purpose of selling alcoholic liquor for personal consumption. A sale or exchange conducted under this subsection shall not occur in any of the following ways:

(a) In connection with the business of a holder of an alcoholic liquor license.
(b) In connection with any other business.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1923 Warehouse receipts for alcoholic liquor; authority of commission.

Sec. 923.

The commission has complete power to regulate, limit, and control the sale, transfer, barter, or exchange in this state of warehouse receipts for alcoholic liquor wherever alcoholic liquor is situated.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.1925 Construction of act; severability.

Sec. 925.

(1) This act shall be construed to effect the intent and purposes set forth in this act and to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of this state.
(2) If any provision of this act is found to be unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction and all rights of appeal have expired or been exhausted, the offending provision shall be severed and shall not affect the remaining portions of the act.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; -- Am. 2014, Act 46, Imd. Eff. Mar. 25, 2014

436.2001 Armories, air bases, naval installations and state military reservation.

Sec. 1001.

The commanding general of the Michigan national guard may publish by general order such regulations and restrictions as to the transportation, possession, sale, and use of alcoholic liquor in armories, air bases, and naval installations owned or leased by the state or provided by the federal government by lease, license, or use permit and used by outside parties of a nonmilitary or state governmental nature and on the state military reservation during the field training periods of the Michigan national guard, either in state or federal service, as he or she determines are for the best interests of the military service.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.2003 False or fraudulent statements.

Sec. 1003.

A person who makes a false or fraudulent statement to the commission, orally or in writing, for the purpose of inducing the commission to act or refrain from taking action or for the purpose of enabling or assisting a person to evade the provisions of this act is guilty of a violation of this act and is punishable in the manner provided for in section 909.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

436.2005 Adulterated, misbranded, or refilled liquors.

Sec. 1005.

(1) A licensee who, by himself or herself or by his or her agent or employee, sells, offers for sale, exposes for sale, or possesses alcoholic liquor that is adulterated, misbranded, or in bottles that have been refilled is guilty of a violation of this act.
(2) For purposes of this section, alcoholic liquor is adulterated if it contains any liquid or other ingredient that was not placed there by the original manufacturer or bottler.
(3) For purposes of this section, alcoholic liquor is misbranded if it is not plainly labeled, marked, or otherwise designated.
(4) For purposes of this section, alcoholic liquor bottles have been refilled when the bottles contain any liquid or other ingredient not placed in the bottles by the original manufacturer or bottler.
(5) This section does not apply to beer containers.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.2007 Alcoholic liquor as contraband.

Sec. 1007.

All alcoholic liquor that is manufactured, transported, sold, or possessed without the consent of the commission is hereby declared contraband and shall be disposed of by order of the commission.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.2009 Delivery of seized alcoholic liquor; bankruptcy; payment.

Sec. 1009.

(1) If alcoholic liquor is seized under a judgment rendered against a licensee or if a licensee becomes insolvent, the officer seizing that alcoholic liquor or the trustee in bankruptcy of the insolvent licensee shall deliver to the commission all alcoholic liquor found in the licensee's possession.
(2) Within 1 month after the date of delivery of alcoholic liquor to the commission by an officer or trustee in bankruptcy under this section, the commission shall pay over to the officer or trustee in bankruptcy the purchase price, less 10%, paid by the licensee to the commission for all legal

alcoholic liquor seized and the value, less 10%, as established by the commission, of other legally acquired alcoholic liquor delivered to the commission under this section. Alcoholic liquor delivered to the commission under this section that was illegally acquired by the licensee shall be disposed of by order of the commission and payment shall not be made for that alcoholic liquor.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.2011 Printed price list; posting.

Sec. 1011.

Alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises shall be sold only in accordance with a printed price list that is readily available to customers.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.2013 Sale or purchase of alcoholic liquor for cash; exceptions.

Sec. 1013.

A sale or purchase of alcoholic liquor made in a state liquor store and by all types of licensees shall be for cash only, except for the following:

(a) A customer's charge account with a specially designated merchant who is not a holder of a license authorizing sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises.
(b) A sale to a bona fide registered guest of a class B hotel or class A hotel, if the extension of credit does not exceed 30 days.
(c) A sale to an industrial account if the extension of credit does not exceed 30 days.
(d) A sale to a person holding an authorized credit card from a credit card agency.
(e) A sale to a professional account, or an industrial account of class C licensee or a tavern, whose major business is food, if the extension of credit does not exceed 30 days.
(f) A sale by a private club to a bona fide member.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.2014 Sale of unlimited quantity of alcoholic liquor at specific price; conditions; sale of 3 or more identical drinks containing alcoholic liquor for 1 price; prohibition; "private function" defined.

Sec. 1014.

(1) An on-premises licensee shall not sell, offer to sell, or advertise the sale of an unlimited quantity of alcoholic liquor at a specific price unless all of the following conditions are met:
   (a) The sale, offer, or advertisement is in connection with a private function.
   (b) The on-premises licensee has entered into a written agreement with the organizer of the private function stating all of the following:
      (i) The date and time the event will be held.
      (ii) The location of the event.
      (iii) The terms under which alcohol will be sold and served during the event.
   (c) The on-premises licensee makes available to the commission and local law enforcement, on notice, the written agreement described in subdivision (b).
(2) An on-premises licensee shall not sell, offer to sell, or advertise the sale of 3 or more identical drinks containing alcoholic liquor to an individual for the individual's consumption for 1 price. If 3 or more identical drinks containing alcoholic liquor are served to an individual at 1 time, the price charged for the third and each additional drink must be the same as the price charged for the first drink. Except on prior written order by the commission, an on-premises licensee shall not sell alcoholic liquor to an individual under this subsection for a price that is less than the on-premises licensee's cost for the alcoholic liquor.
(3) As used in this section, "private function" means an event that meets all of the following conditions:
   (a) It is a prearranged private party, private function, or private event for a specific social or business occasion.
   (b) Attendance is only by invitation or reservation.
   (c) It is not open to the general public.

(d) The guests are served in an outdoor service area or room that is well-defined and clearly marked and designated and used exclusively for the event.

History: Add. 2015, Act 47, Imd. Eff. June 9, 2015; --Am. 2020, Act 126, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020

436.2015 Awarding unopened alcoholic liquor pursuant to lawful fund raising activity.

Sec. 1015.

(1) A nonlicensee, or a person who holds either a special license or a club license under this act, may offer and award unopened alcoholic liquor having a value of less than $200.00 to a person 21 years of age or older in a drawing or raffle or as a door prize, pursuant to a lawful fund raising activity. The alcoholic liquor awarded shall not be consumed on the premises at which it is awarded.
(2) A person who holds either a special license or a club license under this act and who has purchased alcoholic liquors to be awarded as provided for in subsection (1) shall be exempt from sections 1021(2) and 1025 for those purchases.
(3) A person who holds either a special license or a club license under this act shall not sell or award alcoholic liquor to a person who is in an intoxicated condition.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.2017 Sterilization of glass; method and manner.

Sec. 1017.

Alcoholic liquor shall not be served to a person for consumption on the premises unless the glass in which the alcoholic liquor is to be served has been sterilized by a method and in a manner as prescribed by the commission.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.2019 Sales in hotel rooms.

Sec. 1019.

(1) Alcoholic liquor may be served by any hotel licensed individually under this act in the room of a bona fide guest.
(2) A person shall not consume or offer for consumption spirits or mixed spirit drink in any place licensed under this act to sell beer or wine and not licensed to sell spirits or mixed spirit drink.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.2021 Selling or serving food; removal of liquor from premises; removal of partially consumed bottle of wine from premises; class A or B hotel; consumption of wine brought into premises by consumer.

Sec. 1021.

(1) The commission shall not require a licensee to sell or serve food to a purchaser of alcoholic liquor. The commission shall not require a class A hotel or class B hotel to provide food services to registered guests or to the public.
(2) Except as otherwise provided in section 551 and subsection (3), a purchaser shall not remove alcoholic liquor sold by a vendor for consumption on the premises from those premises.
(3) A vendor licensed to sell wine on the premises may allow an individual who has purchased a meal and who has purchased and partially consumed a bottle of wine with the meal, to remove the partially consumed bottle from the premises on departure. This subsection does not allow the removal of any additional unopened bottles of wine unless the vendor is licensed as a specially designated merchant. The licensee or the licensee's clerk, agent, or employee shall cap the bottle or reinsert a cork so that the top of the cork is level with the lip of the bottle. The transportation or possession of the partially consumed bottle of wine shall be in compliance with section 624a of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.624a.

(4) This act and rules promulgated under this act do not prevent a class A or B hotel designed to attract and accommodate tourists and visitors in a resort area from allowing its invitees or guests to possess or consume, or both, on or about its premises alcoholic liquor purchased by the invitee or guest from an off-premises retailer and does not prevent a guest or invitee from entering and exiting the licensed premises with alcoholic liquor purchased from an off-premises retailer.

(5) Notwithstanding section 901(6), an on-premises licensee may, in a manner as determined by that licensee, allow for the consumption of wine that is produced by a wine maker, a small wine maker, or an out-of-state entity that is the substantial equivalent of a wine maker or small wine maker and that is brought into the licensed premises in its original sealed container by a consumer who is not prohibited under this act from possessing wine. The licensee shall not allow the consumer to remove a partially consumed bottle of wine brought by the consumer unless the licensee or the licensee's clerk, agent, or employee caps the bottle or reinserts the cork so that the top of the cork is level with the lip of the bottle. The licensee may charge a corkage fee for each bottle of wine brought by the consumer and opened on the premises by the licensee or the licensee's clerk, agent, or employee. This subsection does not exempt the licensee or the consumer from any other applicable requirements, responsibilities, or sanctions imposed under this act.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; Am. 2002, Act 725, Imd. Eff. Dec. 30, 2002; Am. 2005, Act 21, Imd. Eff. May 19, 2005; -- Am. 2013, Act 235, Eff. Mar. 14, 2014: --Am. 2020, Act 124, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2020

436.2023 Pinball machines.

Sec. 1023.

The commission shall not prohibit licensees from allowing pinball machines on the premises for the purpose of amusement.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.2024 Automatic teller machine; preventing access to cash benefits from Michigan bridge card; definitions.

Sec. 1024.

(1) A retailer shall work with the department of human services and with persons that provide automatic teller machine services on the retailer's premises to prevent an individual's access to cash benefits from Michigan bridge cards through a point of sale device or withdrawal from an automatic teller machine on the retailer's premises. For purposes of this section only, a retailer does not include a retail food store.

(2) As used in this section:

(a) "Michigan bridge card" means the card that is used to distribute cash benefits by the department of human services.

(b) "Retail food store" means that term as defined in 7 USC 2012.

History: Add. 2013, Act 197, Eff. Feb. 1, 2014.

436.2025 Giving away alcoholic liquor prohibited; exception; sale to intoxicated individual prohibited; inadmissibility of breathalyzer or blood alcohol test results.

Sec. 1025.

(1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3) and subject to subsection (2), a vendor shall not give away any alcoholic liquor of any kind or description at any time in connection with the vendor's business, except a vendor that is a manufacturer for consumption on the premises only.

(2) Subsection (1) does not prevent any of the following:

(a) A vendor of spirits, brewer, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, wine maker, small wine maker, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or a bona fide market research organization retained by 1 of the persons named in this subdivision, from conducting samplings or tastings of an alcoholic liquor product before it is approved for sale in this state, if the sampling or tasting is conducted pursuant to prior written approval of the commission.

(b) A person from conducting any sampling or tasting authorized by rule of the commission.
(c) The holder of a farmer's market permit from conducting a tasting authorized under section 415.
(d) A person from conducting of any sampling or tasting authorized under section 537.
(e) A retailer licensed for consumption on the premises from conducting a sampling authorized under section 1027(2).
(f) A person from conducting a sampling at a consumer sampling event authorized under section 1027(4) and (5).
(g) A class A or B hotel designed to attract and accommodate tourists and visitors in a resort area from giving away alcoholic liquor to an invitee or guest in connection with a business event or as a part of a room special or promotion for overnight accommodations.

(3) A wholesaler or manufacturer may give samples of beer or wine to an employee of the wholesaler if all of the following conditions are met:
(a) The sampling is for the purpose of educating the employee regarding the beer or wine.
(b) The employee is at least 21 years of age.
(c) The sampling takes place on the licensed premises of the wholesaler.

(4) A micro brewer or a brewer may give samples of beer to an employee of another brewer or micro brewer if all of the following conditions are met:
(a) The sampling is for the purpose of research or of educating the employee regarding the beer.
(b) The employee is at least 21 years of age.
(c) The sampling takes place on the licensed premises of the other micro brewer or the other brewer.

(5) A vendor shall not sell an alcoholic liquor to an individual in an intoxicated condition.

(6) Evidence of any breathalyzer or blood alcohol test results obtained in a licensed establishment, or on property adjacent to the licensed premises and under the control or ownership of the licensee, is not admissible to prove a violation of this section, section 707(1), (2), (3), or (4), or section 801(1). To establish a violation of this section, section 707(1), (2), (3), or (4), or section 801(1), the individual's intoxicated condition at the time of the sale or consumption of alcohol must be proven by direct observation by law enforcement or commission enforcement personnel or through other admissible witness statements or corroborating evidence obtained as part of the standard investigation other than breathalyzer or blood alcohol test results.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998;-Am. 2002, Act 725, Imd. Eff. Dec. 30, 2002;-Am. 2008, Act 11, Imd. Eff. Feb. 29, 2008; Am. 2010, Act 213, Eff. November 17, 2010;--Am. 2017, Act 88, Imd. Eff. July 12, 2017; --Am. 2019, Act 131, Imd. Eff. Nov. 21, 2019; --Am. 2025, Act 65, Imd. Eff. Dec. 23, 2025

436.2027 Samplings or tastings of alcoholic liquor generally.

Sec. 1027.

(1) Unless otherwise provided by rule of the commission, a person shall not conduct samplings or tastings of any alcoholic liquor for a commercial purpose except at premises that are licensed by the commission for the sale and consumption of alcoholic liquor on the premises.

(2) Notwithstanding section 1025(1) or (2), a retailer licensed by the commission for consumption on the premises may allow customers to sample beer, wine, and spirits if the retailer does not charge for the samples provided to customers. Sample serving sizes must not exceed 3 ounces for beer, 2 ounces for wine, and 1/2 ounce for spirits. A customer must not be provided more than 2 samples within a 24-hour period per licensed premises.

(3) This section does not prohibit any of the following:
(a) A vendor of spirits, brewer, wine maker, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, small wine maker, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or a bona fide market research organization retained by 1 of the persons named in this subsection, from conducting samplings or tastings of an alcoholic liquor product before it is approved for sale in this state if the sampling or tasting is conducted under prior written approval of the commission.
(b) An on-premises licensee from giving a sampling or tasting of alcoholic liquor to an employee of the licensee during the legal hours for consumption for the purpose of educating the employee regarding 1 or more types of alcoholic liquor if the employee is at least 21 years of age.
(c) A small distiller licensee from giving a sampling or tasting of brands it manufactures on the licensed premises or an off-site tasting facility operated by that small distiller.
(d) A micro brewer, brewpub, or on-premises licensee from allowing the sampling and consumption on the licensed premises of beer, wine, mead, honey-based beer, or cider

produced by 1 or more home brewers at a meeting of home brewers, or a club composed primarily of home brewers, under the following circumstances:

(i) The sampling or consumption is for the purpose of exhibitions or competitions involving home brewers.

(ii) The beer, honey-based beer, or cider is served in portions that do not exceed 3 ounces. The wine or mead is served in portions that do not exceed 2 ounces.

(iii) The beer, wine, mead, honey-based beer, or cider produced by the home brewer is only consumed by the home brewer, the home brewer's family, a club member, a judge, or a guest speaker and is not sold to members of the general public.

(iv) The participants in the sampling or consumption otherwise comply with applicable state and federal law and applicable regulatory provisions of this act and rules adopted by the commission under this act.

(v) The participants in the sampling or consumption are not charged for the sampling or consumption of the beer, wine, mead, honey-based beer, or cider.

(4) A vendor of spirits or a manufacturer may conduct a consumer sampling event on the premises of a holder of a specially designated distributor license upon submission of a completed application to the commission.

(5) The holder of a consumer sampling event license shall comply with the following:

(a) The commission must be notified in writing a minimum of 10 working days before the event with the date, time, and location of the event.

(b) The consumer sampling event is limited to 3 events per vendor of spirits or manufacturer per specially designated distributor license per month.

(c) The vendor of spirits or manufacturer conducting the consumer sampling event must have a licensed representative present at the specially designated distributor's establishment.

(d) Licensed representatives or an authorized representative may distribute merchandise, not to exceed $100.00 in value, to consumers 21 years of age or older during the event.

(e) Participating specially designated distributor licensees do not receive any fee or other valuable consideration for participating in the event.

(f) Each consumer is limited to 3 samples, which total no more than 1/3 ounce of spirits per serving.

(g) The consumer is not charged for and does not purchase any sample.

(h) The alcoholic liquor used in the consumer sampling event is provided by the vendor of spirits or manufacturer, and purchased at the minimum retail selling price fixed by the commission from the specially designated distributor on whose premises the event is located. The vendor of spirits or manufacturer shall remove any unfinished product from the premises at which the event is held upon completion of the event.

(i) The consumer sampling event shall not be allowed if the sale of alcoholic liquor is otherwise prohibited on the premises at which the event is conducted.

(j) Samples are not to be offered to, or allowed to be consumed by, any person under the legal age for consuming alcoholic liquor.

(k) A consumer sampling event may be advertised in any type of media and the advertisements may include the date, time, location, and other information regarding the event.

(l) The participating vendor of spirits or manufacturer and specially designated distributor licensees complies with this act and commission rules.

(m) The vendor of spirits or manufacturer demonstrates that the individual actually conducting the sampling has successfully completed the server training program in the manner provided for in section 906 and rules promulgated by the commission.

(6) Violation of this section subjects the vendor of spirits or manufacturer to the sanctions and penalties as provided for under this act.

(7) The commission, by rule or issuance of an order, may further define eligibility for licensure and processes for conducting consumer sampling events.

(8) A sampling or tasting of any alcoholic liquor in a home or domicile for other than a commercial purpose is not subject to this section.

(9) Before a micro brewer, brewpub, or on-premises licensee allows an event to be held under subsection (3)(d), the micro brewer, brewpub, or on-premises licensee shall enter into a written agreement with the home brewers or home brewers club stating all of the following:

(a) The date and time the event will be held.

(b) The location of the event.

(c) Either of the following:

(i) A statement that the micro brewer, brewpub, or on-premises licensee acknowledges that it is not in control of an unregulated alcoholic beverage at its establishment and agrees to assume liability under section 801(3) for the event.
(ii) Proof that the home brewers or home brewers club has obtained a bond or liability insurance equal to that required under section 803(1).

(10)As used in this section:
(a) "Commercial purpose" means a purpose for which monetary gain or other remuneration could reasonably be expected.
(b) "Home brewer" means an individual who manufactures beer, wine, mead, honey-based beer, or cider at his or her dwelling.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998;-Am 2001, Act 46, Imd. Eff. July 23, 2001;-Am. 2008, Act 218, Imd. Eff. July 16, 2008; Am. 2010 Act 175. Imd. Eff. Sept. 30, 2010; Am. 2010, Act 213, Eff. November 17, 2010; Am. 2011, Act 219, Eff. November 10, 2011; --Am. 2019, Act 131, Imd. Eff. Nov. 21, 2019

436.2028 Special license for spirits tasting; qualified organization; application; requirements; rebate on purchase of spirits; designated supervisor; definitions.

Sec. 1028.

(1) The commission may issue a special license under this section to a qualified organization conducting a spirits tasting. The application must conform to all of the following:
(a) The application must be submitted by a qualified organization.
(b) The spirits tasting involves an event having for its primary purpose the showcasing of spirits and the spirits' production and or mixability.
(c) The application must be accompanied by a fee of $25.00 per day of the event described in subdivision (b).

(2) The holder of a special license issued under this section shall not allow more than 6 events per calendar year conforming to the requirements of subsection (1).

(3) A holder of a special license issued under this section may purchase the spirits for an event described in subsection (1) under R 436.582 of the Michigan Administrative Code.

(4) A holder of a special license issued under this section may receive a rebate on the purchase of spirits subject to all of the following:
(a) The rebate must be the difference of the purchase price the special licensee paid to the specially designated distributor and the sum of the following:
(i) The price the commission paid for the spirits before establishing the price to determine the gross profit under section 233.
(ii) Fifteen percent of the price under subparagraph (i).
(iii) Specific taxes calculated on the price of the spirits established under section 233.
(b) The special licensee shall submit 1 combined request for a rebate by March 1 of each year for all spirit tasting events for which it was issued a special license under this section in the previous calendar year.
(c) The special licensee shall submit its request for a rebate on a form prescribed by the commission. The special licensee shall include all of the following information with its request for a rebate:
(i) The date or dates of the spirits tasting events for which a rebate is being requested.
(ii) The name and license number of the specially designated distributor from which the spirits were purchased.
(iii) The purchase price paid per bottle to the specially designated distributor.
(iv) The quantity of bottles purchased less any bottles returned under section 609d.
(v) The special licensee shall submit a copy of the receipt or invoice that shows the price it paid for the spirits to the specially designated distributor and any products returned under section 609d.
(d) By June of each year, the commission shall issue a combined rebate to the special licensee for each of the events in the previous calendar year for which the special licensee submitted a request for a rebate. The rebate for any 1 event must not exceed $10,000.00.

(5) A holder of a special license issued under this section and the member vendors of spirits, small distillers, authorized distribution agents, and brokers whose vendor representatives, salespersons, or agents are licensed by the commission, may pour and serve spirits, with or without mixers.

(6) A qualified organization shall designate a supervisor on each shift and during all hours when

alcoholic liquor is served who has successfully completed a server training program as described in section 906 and in the rules promulgated by the commission.

(7) As used in this section:

(a) "Qualified organization" is a nonprofit association established for the primary purpose of representing the interests of vendors of spirits, craft distillers, and brokers whose membership includes at least 15 primary members and consists of at least 3 of the following that are licensed by the commission:

(i) Vendors of spirits.

(ii) Small distillers.

(iii) Brokers. As used in this subparagraph, "broker" means that term as defined in section 609.

(iv) Authorized distribution agents.

(b) “Spirits tasting" means an event at which spirits are showcased to the general public and at which the general public can purchase and sample the spirits being showcased for consumption on the licensed premises.

History: Add. 2020, Act 24, Imd. Eff. Feb. 4, 2020

436.2029 Packaging of nonalcoholic carbonated beverages with spirits.

Sec. 1029.

(1) The commission, by promulgation of a rule, issuance of an order, or execution of a memorandum of understanding with the department of treasury, or any combination thereof, may allow the conduct by a manufacturer or outstate seller of spirits of a preapproved program for marketing spirits by inclusion of nonalcoholic carbonated beverages to be packaged with spirits. The commission may, in conjunction with the department of treasury, adopt a program that disallows the redemption of returnable containers from the commission but otherwise allows redemption of Michigan-sold returnable containers at other venues, and shall allow for a system of appropriate allocation of funds under 1976 IL 1, MCL 445.571 to 445.576, by means of the issuance of an order or by adoption of a rule.

(2) The commission shall provide for a system of non-mail-in or instant coupon transactions that does not diminish the spirit product margins allocated to the state under this act by means of the issuance of an order or by adoption of a rule.

History: Add. 2010 Act 175. Imd. Eff. Sept. 30, 2010.

436.2031 "Wine auction license" defined; issuance of license; restrictions; payment of taxes; delivery, storage, warehousing, and delivery of wine; sale and resale of wine purchases at auction.

Sec. 1031.

(1) As used in this section, "wine auction license" means a license issued by the commission to sell wine by auction, subject to the following:

(a) The wine is sold through an auction by a person that is licensed as a specially designated merchant or through a seller that is a partner with a specially designated merchant, as evidenced by a written agreement of the parties.

(b) The owner of the wine is not licensed under this act.

(c) The wine is part of a private collection owned by a person that is not licensed under this act.

(d) The specially designated merchant ensures that each bottle sold from the private collection has a permanently affixed tag or label stating that the wine was acquired from a private collection.

(2) If it receives a completed application and the license fee described in section 525(1)(aa), the commission shall issue a wine auction license to a person licensed as a specially designated merchant, or a seller that is a partner with a specially designated merchant, who is arranging for the sale of wine by an owner that is not licensed under this act. The commission shall issue the license for a term of 1 year. The license allows the licensee to hold not more than 12 auctions per license year.

(3) The license restrictions prescribed under this section and under this act are in addition to those requirements and prescriptions imposed by any local law or ordinance, or resolution of the local unit of government.
(4) The holder of the wine auction license is responsible for the payment of any applicable sales or excise taxes regarding the sale of the wine by auction.
(5) The holder of the wine auction license is responsible for the delivery, storing, and warehousing of the wine offered for sale and for the delivery of the wine to the purchasers.
(6) A person that is licensed to sell wine at wholesale or retail may purchase any wine offered at an auction under this section and may resell that wine in accordance with the terms of the license, if at the time of sale the tag or label remains permanently affixed to the bottle.
(7) The sale and resale of wine purchased at auction is subject to this act and any rules of the commission promulgated under this act.

History: Add. 2010, Act 175, Imd. Eff. Sept. 30, 2010; -- Am. 2014, Act 194, Imd. Eff. June 24, 2014

436.2101 Sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption on premises; resolution; petition; notice; submission of question to electors; ballot; canvass; effect of tie vote; use of section to nullify referendum vote prohibited.

Sec. 1101.

(1) Spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption on the premises, in addition to beer and wine, may be sold by restaurants, hotels, and establishments approved by the commission under this act in the following cities, villages, or townships if the legislative body of the city, village, or township by resolution of a majority vote of the members elect, votes in favor of allowing that sale. A petition may be filed with the city, village, or township clerk requesting the submission of the question of sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption on the premises, in addition to beer and wine. In the case of a city or township, the petition shall be signed by a number of the registered and qualified electors which shall be not less than 35% of the total number of votes cast for all candidates for the office of secretary of state in that city or township at the last general election held for that purpose. In the case of a village, the petition shall be signed by a number of the registered and qualified electors that is not less than 35% of the total number of votes cast for all candidates for the office of president of the village at the last village election held for that purpose. The question shall not be submitted to the electors of a city, village, or township more often than once in every 2 years. The city, village, or township clerk shall, within 10 days after the petition is filed with the clerk, give notice of the filing by publication of notice setting forth the essential facts of the petition in a newspaper published or in general circulation in the city, village, or township. The city, village, or township clerk shall submit the question at the next regular state election held in the city, village, or township if the petitions are filed at least 60 days before the election. Class C licensees in a newly incorporated city or village shall continue to be licensed by the commission until the question of the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption on the premises, in addition to beer and wine, is submitted to the electors of the city or village as provided in this section. The question of the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption on the premises, in addition to beer and wine, shall be submitted by ballot in substantially the following form:

> "Shall the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink in addition to beer and wine be permitted for consumption on the premises within the city, village, or township of ..... under the provisions of the law governing same?
> Yes .....
> No .....".

(2) All votes on the question submitted by ballot under subsection (1) shall be taken, counted, and canvassed in the same manner as votes cast in city, village, or township elections, as applicable, are taken, counted, and canvassed. Ballots shall be furnished by the election commission or similar body of the respective city, village, or township. If a majority of the electors voting at an election conducted under this section shall vote in favor of the question submitted by ballot under subsection (1), spirits and mixed spirit drink may be sold under this act in that city, village, or township for consumption on the premises, in addition to beer and wine.

(3) At any time within 18 months after an election conducted under this section has resulted in a tie vote, the question shall be resubmitted to the electors upon the filing of a petition with the legislative body of the city, village, or township. The petition shall be signed by a number of electors not less than that required under subsection (1) for the calling of an election on an original petition. The question shall be resubmitted to the electors by the city, village, or township clerk at the next regular election if that election occurs not less than 30 days and not more than 60 days after the filing of the petition or at a special election called for that purpose and to be held within not less than 30 days and not more than 60 days after the filing of the petition.

(4) This section shall not be used by the legislative body of a city, village, or township to nullify the results of a referendum vote of the electors of the city, village, or township.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.2101a Violation of MCL 168.1 to 168.992 applicable to petitions; penalties.

Sec. 1101a.

A petition under section 1101, 1107, 1111, or 1113, including the circulation and signing of the petition, is subject to section 488 of the Michigan election law, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.488. A person who violates a provision of the Michigan election law, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.1 to 168.992, applicable to a petition described in this section is subject to the penalties prescribed for that violation in the Michigan election law, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.1 to 168.992.

History: Add. 1998, Act 251, Eff. Mar. 23, 1999

436.2103 Sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption on premises; annexation of territory to city prohibiting sale; continuance of license; referendum.

Sec. 1103.

(1) If spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption on the premises, in addition to beer and wine, may be sold by restaurants, hotels, and establishments approved by the commission in a city, village, or township and all or a part of that city, village, or township becomes annexed to and a part of a city or village that does not, at the time of annexation, permit those sales, class C licensees in that annexed area shall continue to be licensed by the commission until the next regular, city, or village election, at which election, without the need to file a petition, the question of the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption on the premises, in addition to beer and wine, shall be submitted to the electors of the city or village to which the territory has been annexed.
(2) The form of the ballot, the voting and canvassing of votes, and the effect of the votes shall be as provided in section 1101.
(3) The fact that a vote has been taken upon that question either in the annexing municipality or in the annexed area, or in both, within 4 years before the annexation is not a bar to the submission of the question as provided in this section.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.2105 Sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption on premises; referendum; license to serve spirits in addition to beer and wine for consumption on premises; application; approval; fee; referendum in certain townships.

Sec. 1105.

(1) When the question of the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption on the premises is submitted to and approved by the electors of a city, village, or township, and immediately after certification of the results of the election, all currently approved licensed establishments for consumption of beer and wine on the premises in the city, village, or township shall be licensed to serve spirits and mixed spirit drink in addition to beer and wine for consumption on the premises upon application to and approval by the commission and payment of the applicable license fee as specified in section 525.
(2) A township having incorporated villages within its boundaries may submit to the voters in the unincorporated portion of the township the question of sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption on the premises and the will of the electors outside of the incorporated villages shall decide the question for the unincorporated portion of the township.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.2107 Manufacture and sale of alcoholic liquor; county option; form of ballot; notice of prohibition.

Sec. 1107.

(1) Upon the filing with the county clerk of a petition signed by not less than 20% of the registered and qualified electors of any county of the entire vote cast for the office of secretary of state in that county at the last general election requesting the submission to the electors of that county of the question of the manufacture or sale of alcoholic liquor, or both, within that county, the county clerk shall submit the question at the next regular state election held in that county. A petition filed under this subsection shall be filed at least 60 days before the election. A ballot question under this subsection shall not be submitted to the electors more often than once in any 4-year period.

(2) All votes on the question shall be taken, counted, and canvassed in the same manner as votes cast for county offices are taken, counted, and canvassed. The vote on that question shall be by ballot, which ballots shall be furnished by the board of election commissioners of the county and shall be substantially in 1 of the following forms:

"1. Shall the manufacture of alcoholic liquor be prohibited in the county of .....?
Yes .....
No .....
2. Shall the sale of alcoholic liquor be prohibited in the county of .....?
Yes .....
No .....
3. Shall the manufacture and sale of alcoholic liquor be prohibited in the county of .....?
Yes .....
No .....".

(3) The effective date of the prohibition of the manufacture or sale, or both, as applicable, shall be 30 days after the board of county canvassers has determined that a majority of those voting on that question have voted in favor of the prohibition. The county clerk shall give notice of the effective date of the prohibition by publishing the date at least once in a newspaper published in that county or, if no newspaper is published within the county, in a newspaper published in an adjoining county.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.2109 Ordinance prohibiting retail sale of alcoholic liquor; adoption; duration; election; affirmance or revocation; prohibition.

Sec. 1109.

(1) Notwithstanding section 1101, a city, village, or township in which there are no retail licenses for the sale of alcoholic liquor may, by ordinance, prohibit the retail sale of alcoholic liquor within its borders.

(2) An ordinance adopted under subsection (1) remains in effect until the next general or special election held not less than 45 days after the adoption of the ordinance. At that election, the ordinance shall be submitted to the electors of the city, village, or township for affirmance or revocation. A revocation of the ordinance is effective on the date the election results are certified.

(3) The commission shall not issue a license that violates an ordinance adopted under subsection (1).

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.2111 Beer and wine; referendum as to Sunday sale; petition; form of ballot; taking, counting, and canvassing votes; prohibition.

Sec. 1111.

(1) The sale of beer and wine between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday is allowed. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (6), a county, city, village, or township may prohibit the sale of beer and wine between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday or between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday under the following circumstances:

(a) By majority vote of the legislative body voting on the resolution to make such an authorization. Failure of the legislative body to act on such an authorization is grounds for

the petitioning of the county, city, village, or township for submission of the question to the voters of the county, city, village, or township under subsection (2).

(b) (b) By submission of a petition under subsection (2) by a majority vote of the electors voting at a regular state election.

(2) Upon the filing of a petition with the county, city, village, or township clerk, by a majority of the electors voting at a regular state election within that county, village, city, or township, as applicable, requesting the submission of the question of the Sunday morning sale of beer and wine or the Sunday sale of beer and wine, the clerk shall submit that question to the electors of the county, city, village, or township at the next regular state election held in that county, city, village, or township. A petition filed under this subsection shall be filed not less than 60 days before the regular state election. A ballot question under this subsection shall not be submitted more often than once in any 4-year period.

(3) In the case of a county, city, or township, the petition shall be signed by a number of the registered and qualified electors of the county, city, or township that is not less than 35% of the total number of votes cast for all candidates for the office of secretary of state in that county, city, or township at the last general election held for that purpose and, in the case of a village the petition shall be signed by a number of the registered and qualified electors of the village that is not less than 35% of the total number of votes cast for all candidates for the office of president of the village at the last village election held for that purpose.

(4) The question of the sale of beer and wine shall be submitted by ballot in substantially the following forms:

(a) For the sale between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday:
"Shall the sale of beer and wine within (the county, city, village, or township as the case may be) between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday be prohibited?
Yes .....
No .....".

(b) For the sale between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday:
"Shall the sale of beer and wine within (the county, city, village, or township as the case may be) between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday be prohibited?
Yes .....
No .....".

(5) Votes on a question submitted to the electors under this section shall be taken, counted, and canvassed in the same manner as votes cast in county, city, village, or township elections, as applicable, are taken, counted, and canvassed. Ballots shall be furnished by the election commission or similar body of the respective county, city, village, or township. If a majority of the electors voting at an election conducted under this section vote in favor of the question submitted, the sale of beer and wine within that county, city, village, or township between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday or between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday is prohibited.

(6) The sale of beer and wine in any county between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday or between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday shall not be prohibited under the provisions of subsections (1) through (5) as applied to a motorsports entertainment complex located in more than 1 county if a resolution or referendum under this section results in the question's failing to pass in 1 county but passing in another. Under these circumstances, the commission shall determine the issue of the sale of beer and wine in the motorsports entertainment complex in those counties between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday or between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday. As used in this section, "motorsports entertainment complex" means a closed-course motorsports facility, and its ancillary grounds and facilities, that satisfies all of the following:

(a) Has at least 70,000 fixed seats for race patrons.

(b) Has at least 4 scheduled days of motorsports events each calendar year.

(c) Serves food and beverages at the motorsports entertainment complex during motorsports events each calendar year through concession outlets, which are staffed by individuals who represent or are members of 1 or more nonprofit civic or charitable organizations that directly benefit from the concession outlets' sales.

(d) Engages in tourism promotion.

(e) Has permanent exhibitions of motorsports history, events, or vehicles within the motorsports entertainment complex.

(7) Any prohibitions on the sale of beer and wine between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday or between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday adopted by a county, city, village, or township before the effective date of the amendatory act that added this subsection shall remain in effect.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; Am. 2010, Act 213, Eff. December 1, 2010; Am. 2011, Act 27, Imd. Eff. May 16, 2011.

436.2113 Selling at retail, giving away, furnishing, or buying spirits or mixed spirit drink on Sunday; sale of spirits or mixed spirit drink for consumption on or off premises on Sunday; resolution; petition; election; form of ballot; voting; violation as misdemeanor; exception; selling and buying alcoholic liquor from December 24 to 26; legislative bodies authorized to prohibit sale of alcoholic liquor on certain days.

Sec. 1113.

(1) Except as provided in subsection (2), (3), or (5) and subject to subsection (6), a licensee enumerated under section 525 may sell at retail, and a person may buy, spirits or mixed spirit drink between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday.

(2) Unless the legislative body of a county has prohibited the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption on the premises between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday or between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday, by resolution approved by a majority of the legislative body voting on that resolution, spirits and mixed spirit drink may be sold after 7 a.m. on Sunday, in an establishment licensed under this act in which the gross receipts derived from the sale of food and other goods and services exceed 50% of the total gross receipts. With respect to an action taken by the legislative body or if the legislative body fails to act, a petition may be filed with the county clerk requesting the submission of the question regarding the prohibition of the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption on the premises between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday or between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday. The petition shall be signed by a number of the registered and qualified electors of the county that is not less than 8% of the total number of votes cast for all candidates for the office of secretary of state in the county at the last general election held for that purpose. The question shall not be submitted to the electors of a county more than once every 4 years. The county clerk shall submit the question at the next regular state election held in the county if the petitions are filed not less than 60 days before the election. The question regarding the prohibition of the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption on the premises shall be submitted by ballot in substantially the following forms:

   (a) For the sale between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday:
   “Shall the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption on the premises be prohibited between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday within the county of ..... under the provisions of the law governing the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption?
   Yes .....
   No .....”.

   (b) For the sale between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday:
   “Shall the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption on the premises be prohibited between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday within the county of ..... under the provisions of the law governing the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption?
   Yes .....
   No .....”.

(3) Unless the legislative body of a county has prohibited the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption off the premises between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday or between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday by resolution approved by a majority of the legislative body voting on the resolution, spirits and mixed spirit drink may be sold after 7 a.m., in a retail establishment licensed under this act. With respect to an action taken by the legislative body or if the legislative body fails to act, a petition may be filed with the county clerk requesting the submission of the question regarding the prohibition of the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption off the premises, in addition to beer and wine, in a retail establishment licensed

under this act between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday or between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday. The petition shall be signed by a number of the registered and qualified electors of the county that is not less than 8% of the total number of votes cast for all candidates for the office of secretary of state in the county at the last general election held for that purpose. The question shall not be submitted to the electors of a county more than once every 4 years. The county clerk shall submit the question at the next regular state election held in the county if the petitions are filed not less than 60 days before the election. The question regarding the prohibition of the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption off the premises, in addition to beer and wine, in a retail establishment licensed under this act shall be submitted by ballot in substantially the following forms:

(a) For the sale between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday:

"Shall the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption off the premises be prohibited between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday in a retail establishment licensed under the Michigan liquor control code of 1998 within the county of ..... under the provisions of the law governing the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption?

Yes .....

No .....".

(b) For the sale between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday:

"Shall the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption off the premises be prohibited between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday in a retail establishment licensed under the Michigan liquor control code of 1998 within the county of ..... under the provisions of the law governing the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink for consumption?

Yes .....

No .....".

(4) Votes on a question submitted to the electors under this section shall be taken, counted, and canvassed in the same manner as votes cast in county elections are taken, counted, and canvassed. A ballot shall be furnished by the election commission or similar body of the county. If a majority of the electors voting at an election vote in favor of the proposal, the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink may be prohibited in the county under this act for consumption on the premises or by a retail establishment for consumption off the premises, in addition to beer and wine, between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday or between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday. The sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink shall not be permitted in a city, village, or township in which the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink is prohibited under this act. A violation of this section is a misdemeanor. This section does not apply to spirits and mixed spirit drink served to a bona fide guest in the residence of a person or sold or furnished for medicinal purposes as provided for in this act.

(5) A licensee enumerated under section 525 or any other person shall not sell at retail, and a person shall not knowingly and willfully buy, alcoholic liquor between the hours of 11:59 p.m. on December 24 and 12 noon on December 25. The legislative body of a city, village, or township, by resolution or ordinance, may prohibit the sale of alcoholic liquor on a legal holiday, primary election day, general election day, municipal election day, between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday, or between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday.

(6) The sale of spirits or mixed spirit drink in any county between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday or between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday shall not be prohibited under the provisions of subsections (1) through (5) as applied to a motorsports entertainment complex located in more than 1 county if a resolution or referendum under this section results in the question's failing to pass in 1 county but passing in another. Under those circumstances, the commission shall determine the issue of the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink in the motorsports entertainment complex in those counties between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday or between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday. As used in this section, "motorsports entertainment complex" means a closed-course motorsports facility, and its ancillary grounds and facilities, that satisfies all of the following:

(a) Has at least 70,000 fixed seats for race patrons.

(b) Has at least 4 scheduled days of motorsports events each calendar year.

(c) Serves food and beverages at the motorsports entertainment complex during motorsports events each calendar year through concession outlets, which are staffed by individuals

who represent or are members of 1 or more nonprofit civic or charitable organizations that directly benefit from the concession outlets' sales.

(d) Engages in tourism promotion.

(e) Has permanent exhibitions of motorsports history, events, or vehicles within the motorsports entertainment complex.

(7) Any prohibitions on the sale of alcoholic liquor between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday or between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday adopted by a county, city, village, or township before the effective date of the amendatory act that added this subsection shall remain in effect.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998;-Am. 1998, Act 416, Imd. Eff. Dec. 21, 1998;-Am. 2004, Act 134, Imd. Eff. 6/7/04; Am. 2010, Act 213, Eff. December 1, 2010; Am. 2011, Act 27, Imd. Eff. May 16, 2011.

436.2114 Hours of sale.

Sec. 1114.

(1) Notwithstanding R 436.1403 and R 436.1503 of the Michigan administrative code and except as otherwise provided under this act or rule of the commission, an on-premises and an off-premises licensee shall not sell, give away, or furnish alcoholic liquor between the hours of 2 a.m. and 7 a.m. on any day.

(2) Subsection (1) does not prevent any local governmental unit from prohibiting the sale of beer and wine between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday or between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday under section 1111 and does not prevent any local governmental unit from prohibiting the sale of spirits and mixed spirit drink between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday or between the hours of 7 a.m. on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday under section 1113. A licensee selling alcoholic liquor between 7 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday shall obtain a permit and pay to the commission an annual fee of $160.00.

(3) A reference to the time of day under this act or a rule of the commission includes daylight savings time, when observed.

History: Added 2004, Act 134, Imd. Eff. 6/7/04; Am. 2010, Act 213, Eff. December 1, 2010; Am. 2011, Act 27, Imd. Eff. May 16, 2011.

436.2115 Sale of spirits or mixed spirit drink on Sunday; additional fee; disposition of revenue.

Sec. 1115.

(1) A licensee who elects to sell spirits or mixed spirit drink between the hours of 12 noon on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday under section 1113 shall not do so until he or she first obtains a permit and pays to the commission an additional fee in the amount of 15% of the fee charged for the issuance of his or her license.

(2) The revenue received from subsection (1) for the sale of spirits or mixed spirit drink between 12 noon on Sunday and 2 a.m. on Monday shall be deposited with the state treasurer in a special fund to be used only by the department of public health in programs for the treatment of alcoholics. Any other revenue resulting from the additional $160.00 license fee as described in section 1114 for sales of alcoholic liquor permitted under sections 1111 and 1113 shall be deposited into the general fund.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998; Am. 2010, Act 213, Eff. December 1, 2010

436.2201 Imposition of tax; levy; collection; computations; deposit of proceeds; general fund; inventory.

Sec. 1201.

(1) In addition to any taxes imposed by law, there is imposed and levied upon and collected a specific tax equal to 4% of the retail selling price of spirits. The commission shall collect the tax at the time of sale by the commission. For a sale to a licensee, the tax must be computed on the retail selling price established by the commission under section 233 without allowance of discount under section 233.

(2) Upon collection of the tax under subsection (1), the commission shall deposit the entire proceeds in the state treasury. In each fiscal year, $15,000,000.00 of the proceeds deposited in the state treasury must be allocated to the secondary road patrol and training fund created in section 629e of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.629e, and any remaining proceeds to the credit of the general fund. For the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and each subsequent fiscal year, the state treasurer shall adjust the dollar amount under this subsection by the percentage increase in the Detroit Consumer Price Index for the preceding calendar year and round to the nearest $100.00 increment. As used in this subsection, "Detroit Consumer Price Index" means the most comprehensive index of consumer prices available for the Detroit area from the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

(3) If this section is repealed, every licensee, who has on hand any spirits on the effective date of the repeal, shall file a complete inventory of those spirits with the commission within 20 days after the repeal. The commission shall credit to the licensee an amount equal to 4% of the retail selling price of those spirits on future purchases of spirits from the commission.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998;-- Am. 2022, Act 190, Eff. Sept. 27, 2022

436.2203 Imposition of tax; levy; collection; computation; deposit of proceeds; state school aid fund.

Sec. 1203.

(1) In addition to any and all taxes imposed by law, there is imposed, levied upon, and collected a specific tax equal to 4% retail selling price of spirits. The tax shall be collected by the commission at the time of sale by the commission. In the case of sales to licensees, the tax shall be computed on the retail selling price established by the commission without allowance of discount.

(2) Upon collection, the commission shall deposit the entire proceeds in the state treasury, to the credit of the state school aid fund established by sections 8, 10, and 11 of article IX of the state constitution.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.2207 Legislative findings and declarations; programs to promote tourism and convention business; acquisition of convention facilities; imposition of tax on spirits for consumption off premises; deposit of proceeds; convention facility development fund.

Sec. 1207.

(1) The legislature finds and declares that there exists in this state a continuing need for programs to promote tourism and convention business in order to assist in the prevention of unemployment and the alleviation of the conditions of unemployment, to preserve existing jobs, and to create new jobs to meet the employment demands of population growth. In order to achieve these purposes, it is necessary to assist and encourage local units of government to acquire, construct, improve, enlarge, renew, replace, repair, furnish, and equip convention facilities and the real property on which they are located.

(2) In addition to any other taxes imposed by law, there is imposed, levied upon, and collected a specific tax equal to 4% of the retail selling price of spirits for consumption on the premises. The tax shall be collected by the commission at the time of sale by the commission. In the case of sales to licensees, the tax shall be computed on the retail selling price established by the commission without allowance of discount.
(3) In addition to any other taxes imposed by law, there is imposed, levied upon, and collected a specific tax equal to 4% of the retail selling price of spirits for consumption off the premises. The tax shall be collected by the commission at the time of the sale by the commission.
(4) Upon collection, the commission shall deposit the proceeds of the taxes imposed pursuant to subsections (2) and (3) in the state treasury to the credit of the convention facility development fund created by the state convention facility development act, 1985 PA 106, MCL 207.621 to 207.640, for distribution and use only in the manner and for the purposes stated in that act.
(5) The tax imposed by this act shall not be levied during any period in which the tax imposed pursuant to the state convention facility development act, 1985 PA 106, MCL 207.621 to 207.640, is not levied.
(6) This section shall not be construed as making appropriations.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998

CHAPTER 13

436.2301 Repeal of acts and parts of acts.

Sec. 1301.

The following acts and parts of acts are repealed:

(a) The Michigan liquor control act, 1933 (Ex Sess) PA 8, MCL 436.1 to 436.58.
(b) 1959 PA 94, MCL 436.101 to 436.103.
(c) 1962 PA 218, MCL 436.121 to 436.125.
(d) 1972 PA 213, MCL 436.131 to 436.133.
(e) The tourism and convention facility promotion tax act, 1985 PA 107, MCL 436.141 to 436.148.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

436.2303 Prior acts or rights; rules; predecessor commission; editorial changes; references to act.

Sec. 1303.

(1) This act does not impair or affect any act done, offense committed or right accruing, accrued or acquired, or penalty, forfeiture or punishment incurred prior to the time this act takes effect, but the same may be enjoyed, asserted, enforced, prosecuted or inflicted, as fully and to the same extent as if this act had not been passed.
(2) When the commission is directed or authorized to promulgate rules by this act and rules exist on the date the requirement to promulgate rules takes effect, which rules the commission believes adequately cover the matter, the commission may determine that new rules are not required or may delay the promulgation of new rules until the commission considers it advisable. Those rules promulgated under former act 1933 (Ex Sess) PA 8 and in effect on the effective date of this act shall remain in effect until rescinded or otherwise changed according to law, as provided for in section 31 of the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.231.
(3) In the case of the commission created pursuant to this act which was preceded by a commission with the same or similar name and functions, members of the predecessor commission shall continue in office for the duration of the terms of office for which they were appointed and with the new members appointed shall constitute the new commission. Members shall be appointed under this act only as terms of the former members expire or vacancies occur. Members of the predecessor commission may be appointed to the new commission to succeed themselves subject to the limits for any total period of service that may be set forth in this act.
(4) It is the intention of the legislature that editorial changes in the language of the statutes recodified in this act not be construed as changes to the meanings of those statutes.
(5) A reference in any other law to the Michigan liquor control act, 1933 (Ex Sess) PA 8, being MCL 436.1 to 436.58, is considered to be a reference to this act.
(6) A reference to a provision in former 1933 (Ex Sess) PA 8 is considered to be a reference to the successor provision in this act. A reference in any application, document, authorization, order, license, or other document issued or provided by the commission or its authorized agent to former 1933 (Ex Sess) PA 8 is considered to be a reference to this act.

History: 1998, Act 58, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1998.

STATE OF MICHIGAN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

SPECIAL LICENSES FOR SALE OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR AT RETAIL FOR CONSUMPTION ON PREMISES

(By authority conferred on the liquor control commission by section 215(1) of Act No. 58 of the Public Acts of 1998, as amended, being §436.1215(1) of the Michigan Compiled Laws)

R 436.571 Rescinded.

History: 1944 ACS 12; 1954 AC; 1979 AC;-Rescinded 1999 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.572 Definition.

Rule 2.

A special license authorizes a person to sell alcoholic liquor at retail for consumption on the premises only for a limited period of time.

History: 1944 ACS 12; 1954 AC; 1979 AC;- 1999 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

Commission Note: Special license to sell beer, wine or spirits is defined under MCL 436.1111(13) and referred to under MCL 436.1537(1)(h).

R 436.573 Rescinded.

History: 1944 ACS 12; 1944 ACS 30; 1954 AC; 1979 AC;-Rescinded 1999 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.574 Application limited to nonprofit organizations; profits.

Rule 4.

Only a nonprofit organization may apply for a special license. All profits derived from the sale of alcoholic liquor must go to the organization itself and not to any individual.

History: 1944 ACS 12; 1954 AC; 1979 AC; 1999 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.575 Applications.

Rule 5.

An applicant shall ensure that its application for a special license is received in the offices of the Michigan liquor control commission, Lansing, Michigan, not less than 10 days before the date the license is desired. The president and secretary of the organization making application shall sign the application in the presence of 2 witnesses and the signatures shall be notarized. Further, an applicant shall submit, with the application, an affidavit showing the length of time the organization has been in existence.

History: 1944 ACS 12; 1944 ACS 30; 1954 AC; 1979 AC;- 1999 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.576 Resolution.

Rule 6.

A certified copy of the resolution of the membership or board of directors authorizing the application must accompany the application to the commission.

History: 1944 ACS 12; 1954 AC; 1979 AC.

R 436.577 Approval of sheriff or chief of police required.

Rule 7.

The written approval of the sheriff or chief of police under whose jurisdiction the premises proposed to be licensed are located must be obtained upon the application before having the bond executed.

History: 1944 ACS 12; 1954 AC; 1979 AC.

R 436.578 Rescinded.

History: 1944 ACS 12; 1954 AC; 1979 AC; Rescinded 1999MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.579 Place and time of operation.

Rule 9.

The special license may be used only at the premises for which issued and only during the time stipulated on the license.

History: 1944 ACS 12; 1954 AC; 1979 AC.

R 436.580 Rescinded.

History: 1944 ACS 12; 1954 AC; 1979 AC; Rescinded 1999 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.581 Rescinded.

History: 1944 ACS 12; 1944 ACS 30; 1954 AC; 1979 AC; Rescinded 1999 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.582 Special licensee source of purchase options.

Rule 12.

(1) A special licensee may purchase spirits from a licensed specially designated distributor at the uniform sales price set by the commission.
(2) A special licensee may purchase beer and wine from any of the following entities:
    (a) A licensed specially designated merchant.
    (b) A licensed wholesaler.
    (c) A licensed Michigan wine maker or small wine maker.
(3) A special licensee may purchase mixed spirit drink from a specially designated distributor or from a licensed wholesaler.

History: 1999 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

GENERAL RULES

(By authority conferred on the liquor control commission by section 215(1) of 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1215(1) and Executive Reorganization Order No. 2011-4, MCL 445.2030)

R 436.1001 Definitions.

Rule 1.

(1) As used in these rules:
- (a) "Act" means 1998 P.A. 58, MCL 436.1101 to 436.2203.
- (b) “Broker” means a person, other than an individual, that is licensed by the commission and that is employed or otherwise retained by any of the following entities to sell, promote or otherwise assist in the sale or promotion of alcoholic liquor:
  - (i) A manufacturer.
  - (ii) A vendor of spirits.
  - (iii) An outstate seller of beer.
  - (iv) An outstate seller of wine.
  - (v) An outstate seller of mixed spirit drink.
  - (vi) A manufacturer of mixed spirit drink.
  - (vii) A wholesaler.
- (c) “Co-licensee” means 1 of 2 or more persons whose names appear on any single license issued by the commission, except for a person whose name appears on the license in a fiduciary capacity. All co-licensees on a single license are considered a partnership for purposes of the act and these rules.
- (d) “Cooperative advertising" means a joint effort between licensees or vendors of spirits to advertise alcoholic liquor.
- (e) “Department store” means a retail store that has all of the following:
  More than 15,000 square feet.
  (i) A minimum of 4 separate and distinct major departments that include at least 1 of the stores listed in R 436.1129(1)(a) to (g).
  (ii) A minimum inventory of $250,000.00, at cost.
- (f) "Drive-in" or "drive-through" means an establishment that allows the sale of alcoholic liquor to a retail customer through a service window or similar aperture without requiring the retail customer to exit his or her vehicle to make the purchase and includes an establishment that allows the retail customer to drive in or through any enclosed building or structure and make a purchase of alcoholic liquor without requiring the retail customer to exit his or her vehicle.
- (g) “Drive-up or walk-up window” means a service window, door, or other aperture through which a customer may purchase merchandise without that customer entering the licensed premises.
- (h) “Driver helper” means a person who is not less than 18 years of age and who accompanies and assists, and who may only accompany and assist, a licensed salesperson in delivering alcoholic liquor to a retail licensee.
- (i) "Licensed premises" means any portion of a building, structure, room, or enclosure on real estate that is owned, leased, used, controlled, or operated by a licensee in the conduct of the business at the location for which the licensee is licensed by the commission, except when otherwise specified by commission rule or written commission order.
- (j) "Licensee" means the person to whom a license is issued by the commission to manufacture, sell, import, warehouse, deliver, or promote, or otherwise assist in the sale of, alcoholic liquor.
- (k) "Major thoroughfare" means a street or highway which is primarily for through traffic and which has not less than 4 lanes of traffic, excluding any lanes that are used primarily for turning purposes and any lanes in which parking is allowed at any time.
- (l) "Neighborhood shopping center" means 1 commercial establishment, or a group of commercial establishments organized or operated as a unit, which is related in location, size, and type of shop to the trade area that the unit serves and which consists of not less than 50,000 square feet of leasable retail space and has access to off-street parking spaces.
- (m) "Off-premises licensee" means a person who is licensed by the commission to sell alcoholic liquor at retail for consumption off the licensed premises.

(n) "On-premises licensee" means a person who is licensed by the commission to sell alcoholic liquor at retail for consumption on the licensed premises.
(o) "Permit" means a contract between the commission and a licensee granting authority to the licensee to perform the functions defined in the act or commission rules for a specific permit.
(p) "Privately held corporation" means a corporation that does not trade its stock on a stock exchange or in over-the-counter transactions. A subsidiary of a corporation that trades its stock on a stock exchange or in over-the-counter transactions is not a privately held corporation.
(q) "Public room" means a room that is open for use by the general public for eating, drinking, or amusement. "Public room" does not mean any of the following:
    (i) A restroom.
    (ii) A kitchen.
    (iii) A storage room.
    (iv) An office.
    (v) A boiler room.
    (vi) A hallway.
    (vii) A landing.
    (viii) A stairway.
    (ix) An elevator.
    (x) A dance floor.
    (xi) A stage.
    (xii) An area similar to the areas specified in this subdivision.
(r) "Release" means a document in which written permission is granted by the commission to ship alcoholic liquor into this state.
(s) "Salesperson" means a person who is employed by any of the following entities and who is licensed by the commission to sell, deliver, or promote, or otherwise assist in the sale of, alcoholic liquor in this state:
    (i) A vendor of spirits.
    (ii) A broker.
    (iii) A manufacturer of beer or wine.
    (iv) An outstate seller of beer or wine.
    (v) A wholesaler.
(t) "Sample of alcoholic liquor" means a container that bears the word "sample" and is not more than 1.75 liters or 59.17 United States fluid ounces. If a product is not available in a container of 1.75 liter or less, then the next larger size may be substituted. However, a container shall not be more than 3 liters.
(u) “Sports/entertainment venue” means a facility that is licensed to sell alcoholic liquor for on-premises consumption, has a seating capacity of 4,500 or more, is primarily used for sporting events or other entertainment, and is not located on the campus of a 2- or 4-year college or university.
(v) "Temporary bin display" means a freestanding device that is constructed of any material that is used for the exhibition of beer, wine, or spirits on the premises of a retail licensee who is licensed for off-premises sales only and that must be removed from the retail licensed premises not later than 120 days after installation.
(w) "Vendor representative" means a person who is licensed by the commission and who is authorized by a manufacturer of beer or wine, an outstate seller of beer or wine, or a vendor of spirits to represent the respective employer or principal in transactions with the commission.

(2) Terms defined in the act have the same meanings when used in these rules.
(3) Terms defined in the act and these rules have the same meanings when used in rules previously or hereafter promulgated by the commission.

History: 1979 AC; 1982 AACS; 1984 AACS; 1985 AACS; 1986 AACS; 1987 AACS; 1994 AACS; 1998-2000 AACS; 2003 AACS; 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016

R 436.1003 Building and health laws, rules, and ordinances.

Rule 3.

(1) A licensee shall comply with all state and local building, plumbing, zoning, sanitation, and health laws, rules, and ordinances as determined by the state and local law enforcement officials who have jurisdiction over the licensee.

(2) A licensee shall not use a license at the licensed premises unless a temporary or permanent certificate of occupancy has been issued by the local unit of government having jurisdiction over the location of the licensed premises or the licensed premises complies with the requirements in subrule (1) of this rule.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1005 Rescinded.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981;-Rescinded 2008, PA 11, Imd. Eff. Feb. 29, 2008.

R 436.1007 Records; maintenance.

Rule 7.

(1) A licensee shall maintain accurate records of alcoholic liquor purchases and sales.
(2) A licensee shall maintain records sufficient to determine ownership of the licensed business and to whom the profits or losses of the business accrue.
(3) The records required by this rule shall be maintained for a 4-year period of time.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1009 Rescinded.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981;-Rescinded 2008, PA 11, Imd. Eff. Feb. 29, 2008.

R 436.1011 Prohibited conduct of licensees, agents, or employees.

Rule 11.

(1) The clerk, servant, agent, or employee of a licensee shall not engage in an illegal occupation or illegal act on the licensed premises. A certified copy of a conviction is prima facie evidence of a violation.
(2) A licensee, an officer of a licensed corporation, a stockholder of a privately held corporation, or a member or manager of a limited liability company shall not, on or off its licensed premises, commit any of the following:
    (a) A felony.
    (b) A crime involving the excessive use of alcoholic liquor.
    (c) A crime involving gambling, prostitution, weapons, violence, tax evasion, fraudulent activity, or controlled substances.
    (d) A misdemeanor that impairs, or may impair, the ability of the person to operate the licensed business in a safe and competent manner.
    (e) Any of the offenses specified in this subrule which results in sentencing after a plea of nolo contendere and for which the licensee is subject to the penalties in section 903 of the act. A certified copy of a conviction is prima facie evidence of a violation.
(3) The provisions of subrules (1) and (2) of this rule apply to the person, the officer of a corporate entity, the stockholder of a privately held corporate entity, or the member or manager of a limited liability entity of the person named as a participant on the licensee's participation permit.
(4) A licensee, or the clerk, servant, agent, or employee of the licensee, shall not threaten, hinder or obstruct a law enforcement officer or commission inspector or investigator in the course of making an investigation or inspection of the premises and shall not refuse, fail, or neglect to cooperate with a law enforcement officer or a commission inspector or investigator in the performance of his or her duties to enforce the act or commission rules.
(5) A licensee, or the clerk, servant, agent, or employee of a licensee, shall not impersonate a commission employee, a commission investigator, or a law enforcement officer empowered to enforce the act or commission rules.
(6) A licensee, or the clerk, servant, agent, or employee of the licensee, shall not do any of the following:
    (a) Allow, on the licensed premises, the annoying or molesting of customers or employees by other customers or employees without taking prompt, effective action to prevent and stop the annoying or molesting of customers or employees.

(b) Knowingly allow the licensed premises to be used by any person for the purposes of accosting or soliciting another person to commit prostitution.
(c) Allow, on the licensed premises, fights, brawls, or the improper use of firearms, knives, or other weapons without taking prompt, effective action to prevent and stop the fights, brawls, or the improper use of firearms, knives, or other weapons.
(d) Allow the sale, possession, or consumption on the licensed premises of any controlled substances that are prohibited by 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211 without taking prompt, effective action to prevent and stop the sale, possession, or consumption on the licensed premises of any controlled substances that are prohibited by 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211.
(e) Allow narcotics paraphernalia to be used, stored, exchanged, or sold on the licensed premises.

(7) A retail licensee shall not sell any alcoholic liquor off the licensed premises, except as follows:
(a) An on-premises licensee may provide out-of-doors service if done in accord with the provisions of R 436.1419.
(b) An off-premises licensee may deliver a preordered quantity of alcoholic liquor to a customer; however, the licensee shall not make a delivery to a customer on the campus of a 2- or 4-year college or university, unless the customer is licensed by the commission.
(c) An off-premises licensee may provide out-of-doors service if done in accord with the provisions of R 436.1521.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 1979 ACS 16, Eff. Nov. 15, 1983; 1985 12, Eff. Jan. 1, 1986; 1994 MR 12, Eff. Dec. 16, 1995; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000'-MR 10, Eff. May 30, 2003; 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1012 Business entities dissolved, terminated, expired, revoked, or otherwise not in good standing.

Rule 12.

(1) A licensed business entity that is dissolved, terminated, expired, revoked, or otherwise not in good standing in this state, shall not sell, offer for sale, furnish, or allow the consumption of alcoholic liquor on the licensed premises from the date the licensed business entity is dissolved, terminated, expired or otherwise not in good standing until the date the licensee provides to the commission a certificate of good standing from the corporations, securities, and commercial licensing bureau. Electronic documentation from the state of Michigan's business entity search is prima facia evidence of a business entity's dissolution, termination, expiration, revocation, or lack of good standing in this state.
(2) The licensee's licenses and permits shall be suspended until the date the licensee provides to the commission a certificate of good standing from the corporation, securities, and commercial licensing bureau.
(3) The commission shall not renew the licenses and permits of a licensee for active operation, whose licensed business entity is dissolved, terminated, expired, revoked, or otherwise not in good standing from this state. The license shall also be immediately suspended by written order of the commission and the licensee shall have 60 days from the date of the order to provide a certificate of good standing from the corporations, securities, and commercial licensing bureau or provide a written request to place the license in escrow. If the licensee fails to provide a certificate of good standing or a written request to place the license in escrow within 60 days of the date of the order, then the license shall be cancelled without further order of the commission. A license in escrow shall not be released for active operation until the licensee provides a certificate of good standing from the state. The licensee may apply for another license if the license is cancelled under this subrule.
(4) For purposes of this rule, "business entity" means any person as defined in section 111(1) of 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1111(1).

History: 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1013 Rescinded.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981;-Rescinded 2008, Act 11, Imd. Eff. Feb. 29, 2008.

R 436.1015 Display of license and permit.

Rule 15.

(1) Licenses issued by the commission shall be signed by the licensee, shall be framed under a transparent material, and shall be prominently displayed in the licensed premises.
(2) Permits and permissions issued by the commission to a licensee shall be framed under a transparent material and shall be prominently displayed in the licensed premises adjacent to the liquor license.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1017 Rescinded.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981-Rescinded 2008, Act 11, Imd. Eff. Feb. 29, 2008.

R 436.1019 Contests.

Rule 19.

A licensee shall not participate in or sponsor any contest that requires the use or consumption of alcoholic liquor or features alcoholic liquor as a prize in connection with a contest.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1021 Sale to licensed truck driver salesman.

Rule 21.

A licensee shall not knowingly sell, give, or furnish alcoholic liquor to a licensed truck driver salesman who is employed by a licensee while the truck driver is on duty or in the course of employment.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1023 Transfer of location of licensed premises; alteration of premises; lease, sale, or transfer of premises.

Rule 23.

(1) A licensee shall not transfer the location of the licensed premises without the prior written approval of the commission.
(2) A licensee shall not, without the prior written approval of the commission, do any of the following:
    (a) Add or drop any space to or from the physical structure of the licensed premises.
    (b) If the licensee holds a class C or B hotel license, install any additional bars.
    (c) Redefine the licensed premises to add space to the licensed premises if the space being added is not connected to the existing physical structure either temporarily or permanently, unless all of the following conditions are met:
        (i) The redefined space is located on property owned or controlled by the licensee by ownership or lease.
        (ii) The redefined space is located in the same city, village, or township as the licensed premises.
        (iii) The redefined space is not separated from the licensed premises by a public street, road, highway, or alley under the control of the state highway commission, county, city, village, or township.
        (iv)The redefined space is operated by the licensee, its employees, or agents.
        (v) The redefined space is operated as an extension of the licensed premises and not for a separate business use or purpose.

(d) A request to add or drop space to the licensed premises shall exclude areas where outdoor service approval is required as prescribed in R 436.1419.

(3) A licensee shall not lease, sell, or transfer possession of a portion of the licensed premises without the prior written approval of the commission.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1025 Storing of alcoholic liquor.

Rule 25.

A licensee shall not allow alcoholic liquor to be kept or stored off the licensed premises, except upon prior written order of the commission. If the commission issues an order allowing a licensee to keep or store alcoholic liquor off the licensed premises, the licensee shall ensure that the storage area is under the exclusive control of the licensee, locked and secured at all times, and shall make the storage area available for inspection and search by a commission investigator or law enforcement officer empowered to enforce the rules.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1027 Confiscation and impoundment of alcoholic liquor.

Rule 27.

(1) The commission or a law enforcement officer may seize suspected adulterated alcoholic liquor for analytical purposes.

(2) The commission inspector or a law enforcement officer may confiscate or impound alcoholic liquor that does not comply with the act or commission rules.

(3) The commission may impound alcoholic liquor that is damaged by fire, water, chemicals, smoke, floods, explosion, freezing, sewage, or other causes affecting quality or merchantable value. Once impounded, damaged alcoholic liquor shall not be used, sold, moved, or destroyed without the prior written approval of the commission.

(4) The commission may impound alcoholic liquor of a licensee by written order.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1029 Orders of commission.

Rule 29.

A licensee shall not fail, refuse, or neglect to obey any written order of the commission or an individual commissioner issued relative to the operation of his or her licensed establishment.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1031 Sales prohibited during periods of suspension; notice of suspension.

Rule 31.

(1) A licensee shall not sell, offer for sale, furnish, consume, or allow the consumption of, alcoholic liquor on the licensed premises during the period that the license is suspended by the commission or an individual commissioner.

(2) During the time of suspension of a license by the commission, the notice of the suspension shall be continuously posted in a conspicuous place on the licensed premises in full view of the public.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1033 Rescinded.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981;-Rescinded 2008, Act 11, Imd. Eff. Feb. 29, 2008.

R 436.1035 Rescinded.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1037 Rescinded.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 2003 MR 10, Eff. May 30, 2003.

R 436.1039 Living quarters in connection with licensed premises; other direct connections to licensed premises.

Rule 39.

(1) A licensee shall not have an inside connection between the licensed premises and an unlicensed portion of the same building or another building without the prior written approval of the commission.
(2) A licensee, except for a hotel or club licensee, shall not have living quarters connected with the licensed premises, unless a living quarters permit is granted by the commission.
(3) If a living quarters permit is granted by the commission to a licensee, alterations shall not be made in the connections between the living quarters and the licensed premises, unless written permission is granted by the commission.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1041 Obtaining a license for use or benefit of another; participation permits.

Rule 41.

(1) A licensee or an applicant for a license shall not obtain or attempt to obtain a license for the use or benefit of another person whose name does not appear on the license. In addition, a licensee shall not allow a person whose name does not appear on the license to use or benefit from the license.
(2) The provisions of subrule (1) of this rule do not apply to a participating agreement where the commission approves a participating agreement after a showing of good cause and issues a participation permit to the licensee.
(3) Upon written application of the licensee, the commission may issue a participation permit to a licensee who meets all of the following qualifications:
    (a) The non-licensed person who receives use or benefit from the licensee's license or who receives gross sales or net profits from a licensed business shall meet the same qualifications as a licensee as prescribed by R 436.1105(1)(a) and (2) and shall be considered an agent of the licensee as prescribed in R 436.1011.
    (b) The licensee shall submit a copy of the participation agreement with the application. The agreement shall include the term of the agreement and the percent or amount of sales to be received by the non-licensed person.
    (c) The non-licensed person or spouse is not ineligible to be issued a license under section 523(1) of 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1523(1).
    (d) The licensee makes application and either cancels an existing participation permit or receives approval by the commission for a new participation permit before adding or deleting any participating non-licensed person. For the purposes of this subrule, the addition or deletion of a participant shall not constitute a transfer of interest in a license.
    (e) As used in this subrule, "non-licensed person" means a person as defined in section 111(1) of 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1111(1).

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981;-MR 10, Eff. May 30, 2003; 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1043 Liquor analysis.

Rule 43.

The commission may order random analysis of a brand of alcoholic liquor sold or offered for sale in this state.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb 3, 1981; 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1045 Rescinded.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 1992 MR 6, Eff. July 15, 1992; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016; Rescinded 2022 MR 13, Eff. July 11, 2022 (Pursuant to PA 136 of 2022).

R 436.1047 Return of licenses and permits.

Rule 47.

A licensee who ceases active operation of the licensed business for a period of more than 30 days shall return all current licenses and permits to the commission to be placed into escrow. The license or licenses that the licensee returns under this rule shall be the actual license printed and issued by the commission and not a copy of the actual license printed and issued by the commission. For purposes of this rule, "ceases active operation" does not include seasonal businesses that are both of the following:

(a) In compliance with the requirements of section 535 of the act, MCL 436.1535.
(b) Considered seasonal employers under section 27(o)(9)(d) of 1936 PA 1, MCL 421.27(o)(9)(d).

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb 3, 1981; 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1048 Renewal of licenses.

Rule 48.

(1) A license, and any permits or approvals, shall be renewed each year by April 30 following the date of issuance.
(2) The licensee has a continuing duty to provide the commission with up-to-date contact information and must notify the commission in writing of any changes to its mailing address, phone numbers, electronic mail address, and other contact information it provides the commission.

History: 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1049 Transfer of license or corporate stock while an alleged violation is pending final disposition.

Rule 49.

(1) If the licensee has been cited in a violation report, a transfer of a license shall not be completed before final disposition of the alleged violation.
(2) If the licensee has been cited in a violation report, a transfer of more than 10% in the aggregate of the stock of a licensed corporation or a transfer of 10% or more in the aggregate of the membership in a limited liability company shall not be completed before final disposition of the alleged violation.
(3) A licensee shall not transfer a license, transfer an interest in a license, or remove a license from escrow with the commission until that licensee has paid all outstanding fines, fees, or charges levied by the commission, except upon prior written order of the commission.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981;-2003 MR 10, Eff. May 30, 2003.

R 436.1050 Approval orders; cancellations.

Rule 50.

If the commission approves an application, the approval is valid for 2 years from the date of the commission approval order. If the applicant or licensee has not met all of the requirements set forth in the commission approval order within 2 years from the date of the approval order, then the approval order is vacated unless the commission has been provided with a notice of pending litigation involving the application. The person whose approval is vacated may submit a new application.

History: 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1051 Notice of changes affecting control of privately held corporation or limited liability company.

Rule 51.

(1) A privately held licensed corporation shall immediately notify the commission in writing of changes made in its officers or directors or of amendments made to the articles of incorporation.
(2) A limited liability company shall immediately notify the commission, in writing, of changes made in its managers or assignees or of amendments made to the articles of organization, operating agreement, or bylaws.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981;-2003 MR 10, Eff. May 30, 2003; 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1053 Proof of loss or destruction of a license or permit.

Rule 53.

(1) To prove the loss or destruction of a license or permit, a licensee shall make a written statement as to the loss or destruction and shall file it with the commission.
(2) The written statement shall include a detailed description of the circumstances concerning the loss or destruction of the license or permit and shall be accompanied by any remaining part of the license.
(3) The written statement shall be signed by the licensee.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1055 Sale of alcoholic liquor below cost prohibited; exception.

Rule 55.

A retail licensee shall not sell alcoholic liquor to a customer for less than the cost of the alcoholic liquor to the retail licensee, except upon prior written commission order.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1057 Rescinded.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981;-2003 MR 10, Eff. May 30, 2003.

R 436.1059 Dishonored payment.

Rule 59.

(1) A licensee, or the clerk, servant, agent, or employee of a licensee, shall not make payment to the commission or the state of Michigan by any means that will be dishonored by a financial institution for lack of sufficient funds or for any other reason.
(2) If a licensee makes 5 or more dishonored payments under subrule (1) of this rule in a 24-month consecutive period, then the commission shall, in a written order, require the licensee to make payments to the commission by cash or other means required by the commission for a period of not less than 6 months.
(3) If a licensee received an order from the commission issued under subrule (2) of this rule, and the licensee then makes any additional dishonored payments within 36 months from the last dishonored payment, then the commission shall require the licensee, in a written order, to make payments to the commission by cash or other means required by the commission for a period of not less than 6 months for each subsequent dishonored payment.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1060 Server training, requirements.

Rule 60.

(1) As used in this rule, all terms and phrases shall have the same meaning as defined in Section 906(1) of the act.
(2) If the commission conditionally approves the issuance of a license for the purpose of meeting the server training requirements of that approval, then the time period allowed for meeting the server training requirements shall commence on the date the license is issued.
(3) An administrator of a server training program approved by the commission shall administer a comprehensive examination to participants of the program, including individuals seeking certification as instructors within the program. The examination shall thoroughly test the individual's knowledge and competency in the curriculum topics required by section 906(6) of the act. The minimum passing grade for the examination, for instructor certification, and for all other participants in the program shall be not less than 70%, but shall be not less than 85% for instructors if administered the same examination as other participants in the program. Examinations administered in other than a written form must be approved by the commission. Examination may be proctored by someone other than a certified instructor of the server training program if the proctor is an agent of the administrator of the server training program and is acceptable to the commission.
(4) If server training or instructor training is conducted by the administrator of a server training program approved by the commission by means other than classroom training, then the alternative training method must first be approved by the commission.
(5) Certification issued by the administrator of an approved server training program for instructors and other participants shall expire not more than 3 years from the date of issuance.
(6) A licensee, for purposes of meeting the requirements of section 906(10) of the act, shall have employed or have present on the licensed premises on each shift and during all hours alcoholic liquor is served supervisory personnel who maintain active, unexpired server training certification or current recognition by a server training program approved by the commission.

History: Added 2003, MR 10, Eff. May 30, 2003.

R 436.1061 Grounds for suspension or revocation of a permit or privilege.

Rule 61.

Any permit issued to a licensee by the commission or any privilege granted to a licensee by the commission may be revoked or suspended by the commission or a hearing commissioner, after due notice and proper hearing, if the licensee or the establishment no longer qualifies for the permit or the privilege or if the licensee is found to be in violation of the act or a commission rule which directly pertains to the permit issued or the privilege granted.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1062 Facsimile and electronic transmissions.

Rule 62.

(1) The commission may accept documents and filings, including documents and filings requiring signature, by facsimile (fax) communication equipment, or other electronic means, if the documents and filings are transmitted in accordance with this rule and pursuant to procedures for fax transmissions or communications by other electronic means that the commission may establish by prior written order.
(2) All documents and filings submitted under this rule shall be on 8 1/2 inch x 11 inch standard paper and shall be legible.
(3) A special license, as defined in section 111(11) of the act, MCL 436.1111(11), may be transmitted by facsimile or other electronic means to the special licensee for use and display during the effective dates of the license for good cause shown.
(4) The commission may transmit a license or permit, other than a special license, to a licensee by facsimile or other electronic means for good cause shown if the facsimile or other copy of the

license bears an expiration date that allows its use and display for a maximum of 20 business days after the actual license or permit is mailed to the licensee.

(5) The commission shall not transmit a license or permit by facsimile or other electronic means to a licensee unless all required documents have been received in the commission's Lansing office and all applicable fees for the license or permit, or both, have been paid.

(6) Documents and filings received by the commission under this rule after 4 p.m. are considered filed on the next business day.

(7) A cover sheet shall accompany any facsimile transmission to the commission. The cover sheet shall include all of the following information:
   (a) The name, electronic mail address, facsimile number, and telephone number of the sender.
   (b) The title or description of the document or filing being transmitted.
   (c) Any application or file number pertaining to the document or filing being transmitted.

(8) Information sent to the commission by electronic means shall include all of the following information:
   (a) The name, electronic mail address, facsimile number, and telephone number of the sender.
   (b) The title or description of the document or filing being transmitted.
   (c) Any application or file number pertaining to the document or filing being transmitted.

(9) Notwithstanding subrule (1) of this rule, the commission may refuse to accept the facsimile transmission or other electronic transmission of a document the commission determines requires an original signature.

(10) A facsimile transmission or other electronic transmission accepted by the commission under this rule and certified by an agent of the commission is considered an original for all purposes and is admissible in evidence in like manner as an original.

History: 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; 2016 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 13, 2016.

R 436.1063 Rescissions.

Rule 63.

R 436.1 to R 436.4, R 436.6 to R 436.18, R 436.19(1) to R 436.41, R 436.51 to R 436.64, R 436.66 to R 436.67(2), R 436.69 to R 436.81, R 436.91 to R 436.126, R 436.544, R 436.601, R 436.1101, R 436.1301, R 436.1701, and R 436.1851 of the Michigan Administrative Code, appearing on pages 4484 to 4506, 4509, 4511, 4520, 4529, and 4538 of the 1979 Michigan Administrative Code, and pages 153 to 155 of Quarterly Supplement No. 1 to the 1979 Michigan Administrative Code, are rescinded.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

LICENSING QUALIFICATIONS

(By authority conferred on the liquor control commission by section 215(1) of 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1215(1) and Executive Reorganization Order No. 2011-4, MCL 445.2030)

R 436.1101 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC; rescinded 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1103 Application for license; forms; required information.

Rule 3.

(1) An application for a license shall be made to the commission in Lansing on forms approved by the commission.
(2) An applicant for a license shall provide to the commission, or representatives of the commission, all information necessary for investigation and processing of the application.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC.

R 436.1105 Application for license; denial; grounds.

Rule 5.

(1) An applicant for a license shall provide evidence in the application of, or demonstrate at a hearing, all of the following:
    (a) Any of the following:
        (i) If an individual, that the applicant is the legal age for the consumption of alcoholic liquor in this state.
        (ii) If a partnership, that all partners are the legal age for the consumption of alcoholic liquor in this state.
        (iii) If a privately held corporation, that all stockholders are the legal age for the consumption of alcoholic liquor in this state, unless the stock of the stockholders is held in a fiduciary relationship.
        (iv) If a limited liability company, that all members are the legal age for the consumption of alcoholic liquor in this state.
    (b) The existence of adequate legitimate and verifiable financial resources for the establishment and operation of the proposed licensed business in proportion to the type and size of the proposed licensed business.
    (c) The existence of an adequate physical plant or plans for an adequate physical plant appropriate for the type and size of the proposed licensed business.
    (d) That the location of the proposed licensed business shall adequately service the public.
(2) The commission shall consider all of the following factors in determining whether an applicant may be issued a license or permit:
    (a) The applicant's management experience in the alcoholic liquor business.
    (b) The applicant's general management experience.
    (c) The applicant's general business reputation.
    (d) The opinions of the local residents, local legislative body, or local law enforcement agency with regard to the proposed business.
    (e) The applicant's moral character.
    (f) The order in which the competing initial application forms are submitted to the commission; however, this subdivision shall not apply to an application for a resort license authorized by section 531 of 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1531.
    (g) Past convictions of the applicant for any of the following:
        (i) A felony.
        (ii) A crime involving the excessive use of alcoholic liquor.
        (iii) A crime involving any of the following:
            (a) Gambling.
            (b) Prostitution.
            (c) Weapons.
            (d) Violence.
            (e) Tax evasion.

(f) Fraudulent activity.
(g) Controlled substances.

(iv) A misdemeanor of such a nature that it may impair the ability of the applicant to operate a licensed business in a safe and competent manner.

(v) Sentencing for any of the offenses specified in this subrule after a plea of nolo contendere.

(h) The applicant's excessive use of alcoholic liquor.

(i) The effects that the issuance of a license would have on the economic development of the area.

(j) The effects that the issuance of a license would have on the health, welfare, and safety of the general public.

(3) An application for a new license, an application for any transfer of interest in an existing license, or an application for a transfer of location of an existing license shall be denied if the commission is notified, in writing, that the application does not meet all appropriate state and local building, plumbing, zoning, fire, sanitation, and health laws and ordinances as certified to the commission by the appropriate law enforcement officials. The commission may accept a temporary or permanent certificate of occupancy for public accommodation issued by the appropriate officials as evidence of compliance with this subrule.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC; 1985 MR 8, Eff. Aug. 22, 1985; 1994 MR 12, Eff. Dec. 16, 1995; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; 2004 MR 6, Eff. March 24, 2004.

R 436.1107 Renewal of license.

Rule 7.

(1) A license that is not in active operation shall be placed in escrow with the commission.

(2) A licensee shall have only 5 licensing years after the expiration date of the escrowed license to put the license into active operation. If the licensee fails to put the license into active operation within 5 years after its expiration, then all rights to the license shall terminate unless the commission has received written verification of either of the following:

(a) That the license or an interest in the license is the subject of litigation or estate or bankruptcy proceedings in a court of competent jurisdiction.

(b) That the license was placed into escrow as a result of damage to the licensed premises by fire, flood, tornado or other natural event that makes the licensed premises unsuitable for the operation of the business and unsafe for public accommodation.

(3) If the commission extends the length of time for which a licensee may renew the license during the pendency of litigation or estate or bankruptcy proceedings or as a result of damage to the licensed premises for the reasons as stated in subrule (2) of this rule, then the licensee shall pay the required license fee for each elapsed licensing year before placing the license in active operation.

(4) The commission may extend the length of time for which a licensee may renew the license upon written order of the commission after a showing of good cause.

(5) Except as provided in subrule (3) of this rule, a license held in escrow with the commission shall be renewed in the same manner as an active license, including payment of all required license fees, each year by April 30.

(6) A licensee who places a license in escrow with the commission shall be responsible for providing the commission with current contact information, in writing, for all correspondence, which includes the name, mailing address, and telephone number.

(7) The commission shall provide or attempt to provide each licensee whose license is in escrow with a copy of this rule.

(8) A license that is held in escrow with the commission on the effective date of this rule begins the 5-year period allowed by subrule (2) of this rule on March 24, 2004.

History: 1979 AC; 2004 AACS; 2010 MR 8, Eff. Apr. 21, 2010.

R 436.1109 Application for license by corporation; requirements.

Rule 9.

(1) A corporation applying for a license shall file with the commission all of the following, as applicable:

(a) If incorporated outside of this state, a copy of its current articles of incorporation, a current

certificate of good standing from the state of incorporation, and a copy of the authorization to do business in this state issued by the Michigan department of labor and economic growth.

(b) If a Michigan corporation, a copy of the current articles of incorporation as approved by the Michigan department of labor and economic growth.

(c) A certified copy of the minutes of a meeting of its board of directors or a statement signed by an officer of the corporation naming the persons authorized by corporate resolution to sign the application and other documents required by the commission.

(d) A signed statement providing the identity of its current corporate officers and the members of the board of directors.

(e) A signed statement indicating whether or not the corporation is a privately held corporation. If the corporation is a privately held corporation, then it shall also file, with the commission, a signed statement that includes all of the following information:

(i) The number of shares of stock that it has issued.

(ii) To whom the stock was issued.

(iii) The amount of stock issued to each stockholder.

(iv) The date of the issuance of the stock.

(v) The individual certificate numbers of the stock issued.

(2) The commission shall not renew a license of a corporation unless the corporate charter is current.

(3) The commission shall suspend the license of a corporation whose corporate charter is not current.

(4) A corporate licensee applying for another license is required to meet the provisions of this rule only once if the licensee amends its filing to keep it current under this rule.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; 2004 MR 6, Eff. Mar. 24, 2004.

R 436.1110 Application for license by limited liability company; receipt of distributions by assignee of membership interest in company; approval for reorganization or realignment of company; transfer fee; notification of changes in managers, members, assignees, articles of organization, or operating agreement; investigation of company; company authorization to do business in state required.

Rule 10.

(1) A limited liability company applying for a license shall file all of the following items with the commission, as applicable:

(a) If a foreign limited liability company, a copy of the certificate of authority issued by the Michigan department of labor and economic growth.

(b) If a domestic limited liability company, a copy of the articles of organization filed with the Michigan department of labor and economic growth.

(c) A copy of the operating agreement or agreements or bylaws entered into by the members under 1993 PA 23, MCL 450.4101 et seq.

(d) A copy of any amendments to its articles of organization.

(e) A copy of the most recent annual statement, if any, filed with the Michigan department of labor and economic growth.

(f) A signed statement that includes the full names and addresses of its current members, managers, and assignees of membership interest.

(g) A statement signed by a manager of the limited liability company or by at least 1 member if management is reserved to the members naming the person authorized to sign the application and other documents required by the commission. If a foreign limited liability company, a person who has the authority to sign under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization shall sign the statement and shall indicate the capacity in which the person signs the statement.

(2) An assignee of any membership interest in a licensed limited liability company shall not receive the distributions to which the assignor would be entitled, unless the assignee has received the prior written approval of the commission.

(3) Any reorganization or realignment of a limited liability company within a single licensing year that results in a transfer of more than 10% of the total interest in the limited liability company is considered a transfer requiring prior approval of the commission under section 529 of 1998 P.A. 58, MCL 436.1529.

(4) A transfer, in the aggregate, of 50% or more of the total interest in a limited liability company during

any licensing year shall, upon approval by the commission, require the payment of a transfer fee in accordance with section 529 of 1998 P.A. 58, MCL 436.1529.

(5) A licensed limited liability company shall immediately notify the commission, in writing, of any change in any of the following:
   (a) Managers.
   (b) Members.
   (c) Assignees of membership interest.
   (d) Articles of organization.
   (e) Operating agreement.

(6) The commission may investigate any transfer of interest in a limited liability company or any proposed member, manager, or assignee of membership interest in a limited liability company.

(7) A licensed limited liability company shall be authorized to do business under the laws of this state.

History: 1994 MR 12, Eff. Dec. 16, 1995; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; 2004 MR 6, Eff. Mar. 24, 2004.

R 436.1111 Application for license by partnership; requirements.

Rule 11.

(1) Each general partner of a partnership shall sign the application, bond, and other papers filed in connection with securing a new license or transferring an existing license. This requirement may be waived by the commission upon a showing of good cause.

(2) A limited partnership applying for a license shall furnish a copy of the partnership agreement.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC.

R 436.1113 Wholesale license; minimum qualifications; corporate stock transfer.

Rule 13.

(1) Before the issuance of a wholesale license, an applicant shall meet all of the following minimum qualifications, as applicable:
   (a) The applicant shall hold the required basic permit issued under the federal alcohol administration act of 1935, 27 U.S.C., §201 et seq.
   (b) If an individual, the applicant shall be of good moral character; if a partnership, each partner shall be of good moral character; if a limited liability company, each member shall be of good moral character; or if a privately held corporation, all stockholders, officers, and members of the board of directors shall be of good moral character.
   (c) The applicant shall have facilities in which to store beer and wine on the licensed premises.
   (d) If an individual, submit his or her fingerprints; if a partnership, submit the fingerprints of each partner; if a limited liability company, submit the fingerprints of each member and manager who owns 10% or more of the total interest of the limited liability company; or if a privately held corporation, submit the fingerprints of stockholders who own 10% or more of the corporate stock and the fingerprints of all officers.

(2) If a person who has not been fingerprinted by the commission applies to transfer to himself or herself 10% or more of the corporate stock, in the aggregate, of a privately held licensed wholesale corporation or 10% or more of the total interest, in the aggregate, of a wholesale limited liability company, then the commission shall investigate and fingerprint the person before the commission approves the stock transfer.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1115 Retail license; minimum qualifications; corporate stock transfer.

Rule 15.

(1) Before the issuance of a retail license, an applicant shall meet both of the following minimum qualifications, if applicable:
   (a) If an applicant is an individual, the applicant shall be of good moral character; if an applicant is a partnership, each partner shall be of good moral character; if an applicant is a limited liability company, each member shall be of good moral character; and if an applicant is a privately held corporation, all stockholders, officers, and members of the board of directors shall be of good moral character.

(b) If an applicant is an individual, he or she shall submit fingerprints; if an applicant is a partnership, other than a limited partnership, the applicant shall submit the fingerprints of each partner; if an applicant is a limited partnership, the applicant shall submit the fingerprints of each general partner; if an applicant is a limited liability company, the applicant shall submit the fingerprints of each member and manager who owns 10% or more of the total interest of the limited liability company; and if an applicant is a privately held corporation, the applicant shall submit the fingerprints of those stockholders who own 10% or more of the corporate stock.

(2) If a person who is a stockholder in an applicant corporation and who has not been fingerprinted by the commission applies to transfer to himself or herself 10% or more of the corporate stock, in the aggregate, of a privately held licensed retail corporation, then the commission shall fingerprint and investigate the person before the commission grants approval of the stock transfer.

(3) If a person who is a member of a limited liability company and who has not been fingerprinted by the commission applies to transfer to himself or herself 10% or more of the total interest in the retail licensed limited liability company, then the commission shall fingerprint and investigate the person before the commission grants approval of the transfer of interest.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC; 1979 ACS 3, Eff. June 19, 1980; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1117 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; 2004 MR 6, Eff. Mar. 24, 2004; 2017 MR 9, Eff. May 12, 2017.

R 436.1119 Retail license; agreements.

Rule 19.

(1) An agreement to buy and sell a business licensed to sell alcoholic liquor at retail, wherein there is not a total cash transaction, and which includes both the personal property and the real estate, shall include a separate statement listing the personal property and the real estate and the terms and price of each.

(2) A retail licensee shall not include alcoholic liquor in a security agreement or in a financing statement filed pursuant to Act No. 174 of the Public Acts of 1962, as amended, being §440.1101 et seq. of the Michigan Compiled Laws, and known as the uniform commercial code.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC; 1984 MR 12, Eff. Jan. 12, 1985; 1987 MR 1, Eff. Jan. 31, 1987.

R 436.1121 On-premises license; requirements.

Rule 21.

(1) An applicant for an on-premises license, except for a special license, shall have a minimum down payment of 10% of the purchase price of the proposed licensed business, excluding the real estate and any alcoholic liquor. The commission may waive the down payment requirement upon a showing of good cause.

(2) All funds used in purchasing the proposed licensed business shall belong to the applicant individually and shall come from any of the following approved sources:

(a) Money accumulated by the applicant from legitimate and verifiable sources.

(b) Money derived from state or federally approved lending institutions.

(c) Gifts or loans, or both, derived from members of the applicant's immediate family, if the gifts or loans have come from other approved sources and the family member giving the gift or loan is of good moral character.

(d) Loans derived from the federal veterans administration.

(e) Any combination of the sources of funds specified in this subrule.

(f) Any other source approved by the commission after a showing of good cause by the applicant.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1123 Resort license; minimum qualifications.

Rule 23.

(1) An applicant for a resort license or a resort economic development license that allows the consumption of alcoholic liquor on the premises shall meet 1 of the following minimum qualifications.
    (a) The proposed licensed establishment shall be in compliance with all of the following provisions:
        (i) Be a full service restaurant that is open to the public and prepares food on the premises.
        (ii) Have dining facilities to seat not less than 100 patrons unless exempted under section 531(3) of 1998 P.A. 58, MCL 436.1531(3).
        (iii) Be open for food service not less than 5 hours per day, 5 days per week.
        (iv) Not less than 50% of the gross receipts of the business are derived from the sale of food and beverages for consumption on the premises, not including the sale of alcoholic liquor.
    (b) The proposed licensed establishment has sleeping facilities with a minimum of 25 bedrooms, meeting or conference rooms capable of accommodating not less than 200 patrons, or convention facilities capable of accommodating not less than 200 persons.
    (c) The proposed licensed establishment is a sports/entertainment venue.
    (d) The proposed licensed establishment is located on a golf course which is open to the public and which has not less than 18 holes that, in total, measure not less than 5000 yards.
(2) An applicant for a resort license or resort economic development license shall submit 2 pictures, measuring 5 inches by 7 inches, to the commission if the application is for a completed building. One picture shall show the interior of the proposed licensed establishment and 1 picture shall show the exterior of the proposed licensed establishment. If the application is made for a proposed licensed establishment which is still to be constructed, then the applicant shall submit 1 copy of the floor plan of the proposed licensed establishment.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC; 1985 MR 8, Eff. Aug. 22, 1985; 2004 MR 6, Eff. Mar. 24, 2004.

R 436.1125 Resort license; limitation.

Rule 25.

The commission shall not consider issuing a resort license which allows the consumption of alcoholic liquor on the premises where an on-premises license is available under the quota provisions of the act. The commission may waive this rule upon a showing of good cause.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC; 1985 MR 8, Eff. Aug. 22, 1985.

R 436.1127 Club license; requirements.

Rule 27.

(1) An applicant for a club license shall file with the commission all of the following:
    (a) A certified copy of the resolution requesting a license adopted at a bona fide club meeting.
    (b) A copy of the constitution, charter, and bylaws of the club.
    (c) An affidavit certifying that there are no racial disqualifications for membership or guest privileges contained in the charter, constitution, franchise, bylaws, membership application, or related documents under which the club operates.
(2) An applicant for a club license shall have its minutes recorded in English and available for inspection.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC

R 436.1129 Specially designated merchant license; issuance and transfer; limitation; waiver; applicability.

Rule 29.

(1) For the issuance of a new, or the transfer of location of an existing, specially designated merchant license, all of the following are approved types of businesses:
   (a) A grocery store.
   (b) A convenience food store.
   (c) A food specialty store.
   (d) A meat market.
   (e) A delicatessen.
   (f) A drugstore.
   (g) A patent medicine store.
   (h) A tobacconist that is in compliance with subrule (3)(e) of this rule.
   (i) A department store that includes 1 or more of the stores listed in subdivisions (a) to (h) of this subrule.
   (j) A specially designated distributor.
   (k) A class C.
   (l) A class B hotel.
   (m) A club.
   (n) A tavern.
   (o) A class A hotel licensed establishment.

(2) The commission shall not issue a new, or transfer location of an existing, specially designated merchant license to an applicant operating an approved type of business who also holds, or a partner or stockholder of an applicant who holds, an interest, directly or indirectly, in a nonapproved type of business on, or contiguous to, the proposed licensed premises, unless 60% or more of the combined monthly gross sales of the approved and nonapproved businesses are of goods and services customarily marketed by the approved type of business. For the purposes of this subrule, combined monthly gross sales are sales exclusive of all taxes collected by a retailer on sales and are computed for an accounting period of not less than 180 consecutive days. The commission may approve an application under this rule subject to the condition that the applicant shall demonstrate compliance with this subrule at the end of the 180-day accounting period. The commission shall cancel the license if the licensee has failed to comply with the provisions of this subrule at the end of the 180-day accounting period.

(3) The commission shall not issue a specially designated merchant license to any of the following entities and shall not allow any of the following entities to change the nature of an existing business that has a specially designated merchant license:
   (a) An applicant who owns motor vehicle fuel pumps which are at the same location as, which are operated in conjunction with, or which are a part of, the proposed licensed business.
   (b) An applicant who holds any financial interest, directly or indirectly, in the establishment, maintenance, operation, or promotion of the sale of motor vehicle fuel at the proposed location of, in conjunction with, or as a part of, the proposed licensed business.
   (c) An applicant who holds any interest, directly or indirectly, by ownership in fee, leasehold, mortgage, or otherwise, in the establishment, maintenance, operation, or promotion of the sale of motor vehicle fuel at the proposed location of, in conjunction with, or as a part of, the proposed licensed business.
   (d) An applicant who holds any interest, directly or indirectly, through interlocking stock ownership in a corporation or through interlocking directors in a corporation engaged in the establishment, maintenance, operation, or promotion of the sale of motor vehicle fuel at the proposed location of, in conjunction with, or as a part of, the proposed licensed business.
   (e) An applicant at any location at which motor vehicle fuel is sold or offered for sale by any person, whether or not the applicant has any interest or derives any profit from the sale.

(4) In determining the qualifications of an applicant for or the holder of a specially designated merchant license to own or operate motor vehicle fuel pumps on or adjacent to the licensed premises under the provisions of section 541(1) of 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1541(1), the following shall apply:
   (a) The minimum inventory required shall exclude alcoholic liquor, motor vehicle fuel, and any merchandise acquired on a consignment basis and not less than 60% of this inventory shall consist of goods and services which, in themselves, would qualify the applicant or licensee

for licensure under subrule (1) of this rule.

(b) In the case of a department store, as defined in R 436.1001(e), the inventory attributable to that department which qualifies the business for licensure shall consist of not less than 60% of goods and services which, in themselves, would qualify the business for licensure under subrule (1) of this rule.

(c) The distance between the motor vehicle fuel pumps and the site of payment and selection of alcoholic liquor shall be determined by measuring from the motor vehicle fuel pump nearest the licensed premises to that part of the licensed premises nearest the motor vehicle fuel pumps.

(5) In a city, incorporated village, or township that has a population of 3,000 or fewer people, the commission may, in its discretion, waive the provisions of subrules (1), (2), and (3) of this rule if the applicant for a license has and maintains a minimum inventory on the premises, excluding alcoholic liquor, of not less than $10,000.00, at cost, of the goods and services customarily marketed by approved types of businesses. The commission shall accept the means prescribed in R 436.1141(1) as a method for determining the population of a city, incorporated village, or township.

(6) In a township which is comprised of 72 square miles or more and which has a population of 7,500 or fewer people, the commission may, in its discretion, waive the provisions of subrule (3) of this rule if the applicant for a license has and maintains a minimum inventory on the premises, excluding alcoholic liquor, of not less than $10,000.00, at cost, of the goods and services customarily marketed by approved types of businesses.

(7) The commission shall not issue a specially designated merchant license to an applicant who operates a drive-in or drive-through establishment and shall not allow an applicant who operates a drive-in or drive-through establishment to change the nature of an existing business that has a specially designated merchant license.

(8) The commission shall not issue a specially designated merchant license to an applicant who operates a drive-up or walk-up window for the sale of alcoholic liquor at the proposed location and shall not allow a person who holds a specially designated merchant license to change the nature of the existing licensed business to include a drive-up or walk-up window which permits the sale of alcoholic liquor through the drive-up or walk-up window.

(9) This rule does not apply to the renewal of an existing specially designated merchant license that is in operation before the effective date of this rule and does not apply to a new specially designated merchant license or the transfer of location of a specially designated merchant license conditionally approved by the commission before the effective date of this rule.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1954 ACS 96, Eff. June 23, 1978; 1979 AC; 1985 MR 2, Eff. Mar. 1, 1985; 1985 MR 5, Eff. June 18, 1985; 1999 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; 2004 MR 6, Eff. Mar. 24, 2004;-2006 MR23, Eff. Dec. 12, 2005.

R 436.1131 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC; Rescinded 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1133 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1954 ACS 96, Eff. June 23, 1978; 1979 AC; 1979 ACS 3, Eff. June 19, 1980; 2004 MR 6, Eff. Mar. 24, 2004; 2018 MR 7 Eff. April 17, 2018.

R 436.1135 Specially designated distributor license; limitations upon issuance or transfer; waiver; applicability.

Rule 35.

(1) For the issuance of a new, or the transfer of location of an existing, specially designated distributor license, all of the following are approved types of businesses:

(a) A grocery store.

(b) A convenience food store.

(c) A food specialty store.

(d) A meat market.

(e) A delicatessen.

(f) A drugstore.

(g) A patent medicine store.

(h) A tobacconist that is in compliance with subrule (3)(e) of this rule.

(i) A department store that includes 1 or more of the stores listed in subdivisions (a) to (h) of this subrule.

(j) A hotel.

(2) The commission shall not issue a new, or transfer location of an existing, specially designated distributor license to an applicant operating an approved type of business who also holds, or a partner or stockholder of the applicant who holds, an interest, directly or indirectly, in a nonapproved type of business on, or contiguous to, the proposed licensed premises, unless 60% or more of the combined monthly gross sales of the approved and nonapproved businesses are of goods and services customarily marketed by the approved type of business. For the purposes of this subrule, combined monthly gross sales are exclusive of all taxes collected by a retailer on sales and are computed for an accounting period of not less than 180 consecutive days. The commission may approve an application under this rule subject to the condition that the applicant shall demonstrate compliance with this subrule at the end of the 180-day accounting period. The commission shall cancel the license if the licensee has failed to comply with the provisions of this subrule at the end of the 180-day accounting period.

(3) The commission shall not issue a specially designated distributor license to any of the following entities and shall not allow any of the following entities to change the nature of an existing business that has a specially designated distributor license:
   (a) An applicant who owns motor vehicle fuel pumps which are at the same location as, which are operated in conjunction with, or which are a part of, the proposed licensed business.
   (b) An applicant who holds any financial interest, directly or indirectly, in the establishment, maintenance, operation, or promotion of the sale of motor vehicle fuel at the proposed location of, in conjunction with, or as a part of, the proposed licensed business.
   (c) An applicant who holds any interest, directly or indirectly, by ownership in fee, leasehold, mortgage, or otherwise, in the establishment, maintenance, operation, or promotion of the sale of motor vehicle fuel at the proposed location of, or in conjunction with, or as a part of, the proposed licensed business.
   (d) An applicant who holds any interest, directly or indirectly, through interlocking stock ownership in a corporation or through interlocking directors in a corporation engaged in the establishment, maintenance, operation, or promotion of the sale of motor vehicle fuel at the proposed location of, in conjunction with, or as a part of, the proposed licensed business.
   (e) An applicant at any location at which motor vehicle fuel is sold or offered for sale by any person, whether or not the applicant has any interest or derives any profit from the sale.

(4) In determining the qualifications of an applicant for or the holder of a specially designated distributor license to own or operate motor vehicle fuel pumps on or adjacent to the licensed premises under the provisions of section 541(1) of 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1541(1), the following shall apply:
   (a) The minimum inventory required shall exclude alcoholic liquor, motor vehicle fuel, and any merchandise acquired on a consignment basis and not less than 60% of this inventory shall consist of goods and services which, in themselves, would qualify the applicant or licensee for licensure under subrule (1) of this rule.
   (b) In the case of a department store, as defined in R 436.1001(e), the inventory attributable to that department which qualifies the business for licensure shall consist of not less than 60% of goods and services which, in themselves, would qualify the business for licensure under subrule (1) of this rule.
   (c) The distance between the motor vehicle fuel pumps and the site of payment and selection of alcoholic liquor shall be determined by measuring from the motor vehicle fuel pump nearest the licensed premises to that part of the licensed premises nearest the motor vehicle fuel pumps.

(5) In a city, incorporated village, or township that has a population of 3,000 or fewer people, the commission may, in its discretion, waive the provisions of subrules (1), (2) and (3) of this rule if the applicant for a license has and maintains a minimum inventory on the premises, excluding alcoholic liquor, of not less than $12,500.00, at cost, of the goods and services customarily marketed by approved types of businesses. The commission shall accept the means prescribed in R 436.1141(1) as a method for determining the population of a city, incorporated village, or township.

(6) In a township which is comprised of 72 square miles or more and which has a population of 7,500 or fewer people, the commission may waive the provisions of subrule (3) of this rule if the applicant for a license has and maintains a minimum inventory on the premises, excluding alcoholic liquor, of not less than $12,500.00, at cost, of the goods and services customarily marketed by approved types of businesses. The commission shall accept the means prescribed in R 436.1141(1) as the method for determining the population of a township.

(7) Subrules (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), and (10) of this rule do not apply to the renewal of an existing specially designated distributor license in operation before the effective date of this rule and do not apply to a new specially designated distributor license or the transfer of location of a specially designated distributor license conditionally approved by the commission before the effective date of this rule.
(8) The commission shall not approve the transfer of location of a specially designated distributor license outside the governmental unit for which it was issued, except upon a showing of good cause by the applicant.
(9) Upon a showing of good cause by the applicant, the commission may waive the quota restrictions of R 436.1141 if all of the following conditions are met:
    (a) The applicant is in a city, incorporated village, or township that has a population of 3,000 or fewer people. The commission shall accept the means prescribed in R 436.1141(1) as a method for determining the population of a city, incorporated village, or township.
    (b) The only existing specially designated distributor license is held in conjunction with a class A or class B hotel license.
    (c) The commission may grant only 1 waiver of quota restrictions in a city, incorporated village, or township.
(10) The commission shall not issue a specially designated distributor license to an applicant who operates a drive-in or drive-through establishment and shall not allow the applicant to change the nature of an existing business that has a specially designated distributor license.
(11) The commission shall not issue a specially designated distributor license to an applicant who operates a drive-up or walk-up window for the sale of alcoholic liquor at the proposed location and shall not allow a person who holds a specially designated distributor license to change the nature of the existing licensed business to include a drive-up or walk-up window which permits the sale of alcoholic liquor through the drive-up or walk-up window.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1954 ACS 96, Eff. June 23, 1978; 1985 MR 2, Eff. 1, 1985; 1985 MR 5, Eff. June 18, 1985; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.; 2004 MR 6, Eff. Mar. 24, 2004;-2006 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 12, 2005.

R 436.1137 SDD license; photographs.

Rule 37.

An applicant for a specially designated distributor license shall submit 2 pictures, measuring 5 inches by 7 inches, to the commission if the application is for a completed building. One picture shall show the interior of the proposed licensed establishment and 1 picture shall show the exterior of the proposed licensed establishment.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC.

R 436.1139 SDD license; initial minimum purchase.

Rule 39.

An applicant for a new specially designated distributor license shall agree to purchase an initial minimum order of $5,000.00 of spirits divided among not less than 50 brands as a condition precedent to receiving a license.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC.

R 436.1141 SDD license; population requirement.

Rule 41.

(1) In cities, incorporated villages, or townships, only 1 specially designated distributor license shall be issued by the commission for every 3,000 population, or fraction thereof. The commission shall accept any 1 of the following means of determining the population of a city, incorporated village, or township:
    (a) Federal decennial census.
    (b) Special census taken pursuant to section 6 of Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1909, being §117.6 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
    (c) Special census taken pursuant to section 7 of Act No. 245 of the Public Acts of 1975, being §141.907 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(d) Latest population estimates and projections prepared by the United States department of commerce, social and economic statistics administration, bureau of the census.

(2) The quota requirement may be waived at the discretion of the commission if there is no specially designated distributor licensee within 2 miles, measured along the nearest traffic route, of the applicant.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC.

R 436.1142 SDD license; limitation on applications.

Rule 42.

(1) The commission shall not process an application for a new specially designated distributor license in any governmental unit in which the number of applications already under consideration by the commission equals or exceeds the number of new licenses available pursuant to the quota provisions of R 436.1141(1).

(2) The commission shall maintain a record for each governmental unit of each person who has made an application for a new specially designated distributor license, but whose application was not processed pursuant to the provisions of subrule (1) of this rule.

(3) When all applications for a new specially designated distributor license in any governmental unit have been disposed of by the commission and 1 or more new specially designated distributor licenses are still available, the commission shall provide written notification of the license availability to each person who has made an application for a new specially designated distributor license within that governmental unit, but whose application was not processed pursuant to the provisions of subrule (1) of this rule. Such notification shall be made by mail to the last known address of the person which appears in the commission's records. Within 30 days of the date of mailing of such a notification, a person shall notify the commission, in writing, and pay the required inspection fee if he or she is still interested in obtaining a new specially designated distributor license. A person who does not respond within the 30-day period shall not be given consideration for any available license. If at the end of the 30-day period the number of persons who have notified the commission of their desire to be considered for new specially designated distributor licenses within the governmental unit equals or exceeds the number of licenses available, pursuant to the provisions of subrule (1) of this rule any additional applications received shall not be processed.

(4) When an application for a new specially designated distributor license is received by the commission for a location in a governmental unit in which new specially designated distributor licenses are not available because the quota established by the provisions of R 436.1141(1) has been filled, the commission shall notify the applicant that licenses are not available.

(5) The commission shall maintain a record for each governmental unit of each person who has made an application for a new specially designated distributor license, but whose application was not processed pursuant to the provisions of subrule (4) of this rule.

(6) When 1 or more specially designated distributor licenses becomes available in a governmental unit in which the quota established by the provisions of R 436.1141(1) had previously been filled, the commission shall provide written notification to each person who applied for a new specially designated distributor license within that governmental unit, but whose application was not processed pursuant to the quota provisions of R 436.1141(1). Within 30 days of the date of mailing of such a notification, a person shall notify the commission, in writing, and pay the required inspection fee if he or she is still interested in obtaining a new specially designated distributor license. A person who does not respond within the 30-day period shall not be given consideration for any available license. If at the end of the 30-day period the number of persons who have notified the commission of their desire to be considered for new specially designated distributor licenses within the governmental unit equals or exceeds the number of licenses available, pursuant to the provisions of subrule (1) of this rule, any additional applications received shall not be processed.

(7) For purposes of determining the order in which initial applications for new specially designated distributor licenses are submitted to the commission as required by the provisions of R 436.1105(2)(f), the commission shall use the date on which a person first applied for the license, even if the application was not processed at that time due to the provisions of subrule (1) or (4) of this rule.

History: 1990 MR 1, Eff. Jan. 19, 1990.

R 436.1143 SDD license; transfer of location.

Rule 43.

An applicant who requests a transfer of location of an existing specially designated distributor license into an area in which there are applications for new specially designated distributor licenses on file with the commission shall not be given priority if the proposed transfer of location is within 2,640 feet of the location of the establishments proposed by the new applicants. The method of measurement shall be as prescribed in section 503 of 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1503.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1954 ACS 96, Eff. June 23, 1978; 1979 AC; 2004 MR 6, Eff. Mar. 24, 2004.

R 436.1145 Watercraft license; minimum qualifications.

Rule 45.

An applicant for a watercraft license shall meet all of the following minimum qualifications before being granted a license:

(a) The watercraft shall have a current certificate of inspection issued by either the state waterways commission or the United States coast guard under title 46 of the United States Code.
(b) The watercraft carries paying passengers on regularly scheduled routes between predetermined geographical points.
(c) The license shall only be used to service paying passengers on regularly scheduled routes between predetermined geographical points.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC.

R 436.1147 Aircraft license; minimum qualifications.

Rule 47.

An applicant for an aircraft license shall meet all of the following minimum qualifications before being granted a license:

(a) The aircraft shall be approved by the civil aeronautics board for carrying paying passengers on regularly scheduled routes or on charter routes, and shall be in excess of 12,500 pounds gross weight.
(b) The license shall only be used to service paying passengers on regularly scheduled routes or chartered routes between predetermined geographical points.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC.

R 436.1149 Class C or SDD license; hardship transfer.

Rule 49.

(1) The commission shall not consent to a hardship transfer of class C or specially designated distributor licenses under section 501(2) of 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1501(2) if the hardship shown by the licensee existed when the license was issued, except upon a showing of good cause.
(2) A person who has been granted approval for a hardship transfer of class C or specially designated distributor licenses under section 501(2) of 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1501(2) shall be prohibited from holding such classes of licenses for a period of 5 years thereafter, as either an individual, partner, or stockholder, except upon a showing of good cause.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC; 2004 MR 6, Eff. Mar. 24, 2004.

R 436.1151 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 94, Eff. Mar. 15, 1978; 1979 AC; rescinded 1985 MR 2, Eff. Mar. 1, 1985.

SPECIAL PERMITS FOR HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS

(By authority conferred on the liquor control commission by section 16 of Act No. 8 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of 1933, as amended, being §436.16 of the Michigan Compiled Laws)

R 436.1251 Special permits for hospitals and institutions.

Rule 1.

The commission may issue special permits to hospitals, charitable institutions, and military establishments within the state for the purchase of spirits for their own use from a designated state liquor store at a discount of 24% from the retail prices established by the commission.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. June 6, 1979 AC; 1979 ACS 6, Eff. May 12, 1981.

ADVERTISING

(By authority conferred on the liquor control commission by section 215(1) of 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1215(1) and Executive Reorganization Order No. 2011-4, MCL 445.2030)

R 436.1301 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct 3, 1975; 1979 AC; rescinded 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1303 Beer.

Rule 3.

Beer shall not be advertised in this state unless the advertising is in accordance with these rules and the federal malt beverage regulations published in 27 C.F.R., part 7, subpart F, 1936, as amended, as of January 1, 1975, which are incorporated herein by reference. Copies of the federal regulations are on file and available to the public in the Lansing office of the commission at cost.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct. 3, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1305 Wine.

Rule 5.

Wine shall not be advertised in this state unless the advertising is in accordance with these rules and the federal wine regulations published in 27, C.F.R., part 4, subpart G, 1935, as amended, as of January 1, 1975, which are incorporated herein by reference. Copies of the federal regulations are on file and available to the public in the Lansing office of the commission at cost.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct. 3, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1307 Spirits.

Rule 7.

Distilled spirits shall not be advertised in this state unless the advertising is in accordance with these rules and the federal distilled spirits regulations published in 27 C.F.R., part 5, subpart H, 1969, as of January 1, 1975, which are incorporated herein by reference. Copies of the federal regulations are on file and available to the public in the Lansing office of the commission at cost.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct. 3, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1309 Advertising approval.

Rule 9.

The commission reserves the right to review and reject advertising not in accordance with these rules. Upon written order of the commission, a manufacturer, an outstate seller of beer, an outstate seller of wine, or a wholesaler shall furnish full information as to the advertising to enable the commission to review the advertising.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct. 3, 1975; 1979 AC; 1989 MR 1, Eff. Jan. 20, 1989.

R 436.1311 Rescinded.

History: 1979 AC; rescinded 2016 MR 4, Eff. Feb. 26, 2016.

R 436.1313 Inside advertising signs and displays.

Rule 13.

(1) Except as provided for in this rule, a retail licensee shall ensure that an advertising sign for alcoholic liquor that is used inside the licensee's premises is an un-illuminated sign that does not have a total area of more than 3,500 square inches.
(2) The total area of any other sign that is attached to, or a necessary part of, a sign is included in the 3,500 square inches limitation.
(3) A sports/entertainment venue may utilize illuminated advertising signs and advertising signs that have a total area of more than 3,500 square inches in the arena area, concourse area, or private suite areas.
(4) Any of the following entities may provide and install illuminated advertising signs and advertising signs that have a total area of more than 3,500 square inches per sign inside the arena area, concourse area, or private suite areas of a sports/entertainment venue as defined by R 436.1001(1):
    (a) A brewer.
    (b) A micro brewer.
    (c) A wine maker.
    (d) A small wine maker.
    (e) An outstate seller of beer.
    (f) An outstate seller of wine.
    (g) An outstate seller of mixed spirit drink.
    (h) A manufacturer of spirits.
    (i) A manufacturer of mixed spirit drink.
    (j) A vendor of spirits.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct 3, 1975; 1979 AC; Amended Eff. Feb. 17, 1994; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; MR 11 2003; 2025 MR 3, Eff. Feb. 3, 2025.

R 436.1315 Retail advertising space

Rule 15.

A manufacturer, an outstate seller of beer, an outstate seller of wine, or a wholesaler shall not sell or in any manner furnish to a retail licensee, and a retail licensee shall not accept, either of the following:

(a) Advertising which has the name of the retail licensee on the advertising.
(b) Money or other valuable consideration for advertising space in or upon the premises of the retail licensee.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct. 3, 1975; 1979 AC; 1989 MR 1, Eff. Jan. 20, 1989.

R 436.1317 Brand promotion

Rule 17.

(1) A salesperson or a vendor representative may do any of the following, on the licensed premises of a person who is licensed only to sell alcoholic liquor at retail for consumption off the licensed premises, with alcoholic liquor that is owned by the off-premises retail licensee:
    (a) Build a display of those brands that are represented or sold by the salesperson or vendor representative.
    (b) Mark the price on those brands that are represented or sold by the salesperson or vendor representative.
    (c) Rotate those brands that are represented or sold by the salesperson or vendor representative.
    (d) Place those brands that are represented or sold by the salesperson or vendor representative on shelves.
(2) A salesperson or vendor representative shall not remove from shelves, or rearrange or otherwise disturb, any brand of alcoholic liquor that is not represented or sold by the salesperson or vendor representative.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct. 3, 1975; 1979 AC; Amended Eff. Nov. 13, 1992.

R 436.1319 Rescinded

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct. 3, 1975; 1979 AC. - Rescinded 2021 MR, March 1, 2021 (Pursuant to PA 112 of 2020)

R 436.1321 Contests and advertising articles.

Rule 21.

(1) There shall not be advertising of alcoholic liquor connected with offering a prize or award on the completion of a contest, except upon prior written approval of the commission.
(2) Advertising material which does not contain the name of a retail licensee and does not have a secondary value, but explains the production, sale, or consumption of alcoholic liquor may be published and distributed in this state.
(3) Alcoholic liquor recipe literature which does not contain the name of a retail licensee may be published and distributed in this state.
(4) All gambling devices, including punch boards and games of any description used for advertising purposes, are prohibited.
(5) A manufacturer, an outstate seller of beer, an outstate seller of wine, or a wholesaler may sell novelty items bearing brand logo type, upon written order of the commission. These novelty items shall not be sold below their cost by the manufacturer, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or wholesaler.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct. 3, 1975; 1954 ACS 97, Eff. Oct. 12, 1978; 1979 AC; 2014 MR 23, Eff. Dec. 5, 2014.

R 436.1323 Team sponsorship

Rule 23.

(1) A licensee may own or sponsor and furnish equipment for an athletic team under his own license name. The name of the sponsor may appear on the team uniform.
(2) A licensee shall not aid or assist another licensee by sponsoring or equipping athletic teams and a licensee shall not accept such aid or assistance.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct. 3, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1325 Calendars and matchbooks.

Rule 25.

(1) A manufacturer, an outstate seller of beer, an outstate seller of wine, or a wholesaler shall not give anything of value to a customer.
(2) A manufacturer, an outstate seller of beer, an outstate seller of wine, or a wholesaler may give a calendar and matchbooks to a customer if nothing of value is attached to, or given with, the calendar or matchbooks.
(3) A manufacturer, an outstate seller of beer, an outstate seller of wine, or a wholesaler shall not sell, give, or furnish a retail licensee with calendars or matchbooks to be given to the customers of the retail licensee, except upon written order of the commission.
(4) A manufacturer, an outstate seller of beer, an outstate seller of wine, or a wholesaler may advertise on calendars.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct. 3, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1327 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct. 3, 1975; 1979 AC; rescinded MR 1, Eff. Jan. 20, 1989.

R 436.1329 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct. 3, 1975; 1979 AC; 1986 MR 12, Eff. Jan. 15, 1987; Amended Eff. May 12, 1994; rescinded 2025 MR 3, Eff. Feb. 3, 2025.

R 436.1331 Dispenser signs.

Rule 31.

(1) Alcoholic liquor dispensing equipment shall have the brand of alcoholic liquor designated by a sign on the dispenser or on the tap.
(2) A licensee shall not draw from a dispenser or tap a brand of alcoholic liquor other than that brand designated by the dispenser sign or tap marker.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct. 3, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1333 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct. 3, 1975; 1979 AC; 1984 MR 3, Eff. Mar. 27, 1984; 1989 MR 1, Eff. Jan. 20, 1989; Rescinded 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1335 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct. 3, 1975; 1979 AC; 1989-2000 AACS MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; Rescinded 2013 MR 5, Eff. March 7, 2013.

R 436.1337 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct. 3, 1975; 1979 AC; rescinded 1985 MR 4, Eff. May 10, 1985.

R 436.1339 Rescissions.

Rule 39.

Rules 15 to 23 and 25 to 28 of the rules entitled "Rules and Regulations Governing the Relationship Between Licensed Manufacturers, Wholesalers of Alcoholic Liquors, Their Sales Representatives and Retail Licensees," being R 436.535 to R 436.543 and R 436.545 to R 436.548 of the Michigan Administrative Code and appearing on pages 5384 to 5386 of the 1954 volume of the Code, are rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 84, Eff. Oct. 3, 1975; 1979 AC.

ON-PREMISES LICENSES

(By authority conferred on the liquor control commission by section 215(1) of 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1215(1) and Executive Reorganization Order No. 2011-4, MCL 445.2030)

R 436.1401 Definitions.

Rule 1.

The terms defined in R 436.1001 have the same meaning when used in these rules.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1403 Hours and days of operation.

Rule 3.

(1) Except as provided in subrule (7) of this rule, an on-premises licensee shall not sell, give away, or furnish alcoholic liquor between the hours of 2 a.m. and 7 a.m. on any day nor between the hours of 2 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday and shall not sell, give away, or furnish spirits between the hours of 2 a.m. and 12 midnight on Sunday, unless issued a Sunday sales permit by the commission which allows the licensee to sell spirits on Sunday between the hours of 12 noon and 12 midnight.

(2) Between the hours of 2:30 a.m. and 12 noon on any Sunday, or from 2:30 a.m. to 7 a.m. on any other day, an on-premises licensee shall not allow the licensed premises to be occupied by anyone except the on-premises licensee, the bona fide employees of the on-premises licensee who are working, or bona fide contractors and employees thereof who are working, except as provided in subrule (8) of this rule or unless such on-premises licensee first obtains a permit approved by the liquor control commission and by the chief of police, sheriff, or other chief law enforcing officer in the community which authorizes the on-premise licensee to remain open for a stated specific purpose for such other hours and during such periods of time as the commission may determine. The permit shall be displayed adjacent to the license. In the case of a class A hotel, a class B hotel, and a club licensee with bedrooms or suites for bona fide club members and their guests, this subrule shall apply only to the following portions of the licensed premises:
    (a) Rooms open to the general public or club members and their guests for eating, drinking, or amusement where alcoholic liquor is served.
    (b) Rooms used for wedding parties and similar activities where alcoholic liquor is served.

(3) An on-premises licensee shall not allow the consumption of any alcoholic liquor on the licensed premises between the hours of 2:30 a.m. and 7 a.m. on any day, except as provided in subrule (7) of this rule.

(4) An on-premises licensee shall not allow the consumption of any alcoholic liquor on the licensed premises between the hours of 9:30 p.m. on December 24 to 7 a.m. on December 26. This prohibition shall extend to 12 noon on December 26 if December 26 falls on Sunday.

(5) An on-premises licensee shall not allow the consumption of spirits on the licensed premises between the hours of 2:30 a.m. and 12 midnight on Sunday. This subrule does not apply to the consumption of spirits on the licensed premises between the hours of 12 noon and 12 midnight on Sunday if the on-premises licensee possesses a Sunday sales permit issued by the commission.

(6) An on-premises licensee shall not allow the consumption of any alcoholic liquor on the licensed premises between the hours of 2:30 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday.

(7) An on-premises licensee shall not sell alcoholic liquor on January 1 after 4 a.m. or before the legal hour of sale as provided in subrule (1) of this rule, and alcoholic liquor shall not be consumed on the licensed premises on January 1 after 4:30 a.m. or before the legal hour for consumption as provided in subrules (3), (5), and (6) of this rule.

(8) From 4:30 a.m. on January 1 to the legal hour of sale as provided in subrule (1) of this rule, an on-premises licensee shall not allow the licensed premises to be occupied by anyone other than the on-premises licensee, the bona fide employees of the licensee who are working, or bona fide contractors and employees thereof who are working, unless the on-premises licensee has been granted a specific purpose permit authorized by subrule (2) of this rule. In the case of a class A hotel, a class B hotel, and a club licensee with bedrooms or suites for bona fide club members and their guests, this subrule applies only to the following portions of the licensed premises:

(a) Rooms open to the general public or club members and their guests for eating, drinking, or amusement where alcoholic liquor is served.
(b) Rooms used for wedding parties and similar activities where alcoholic liquor is served.

(9) The provisions of subrules (3), (4), (5), (6), and (7) of this rule do not apply to the consumption of alcoholic liquor in the bedrooms or suites of registered guests of licensed hotels or in the bedrooms or suites of bona fide members of licensed clubs.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1405 Capacity of licensed premises.

Rule 5.

(1) An on-premises licensee shall post, in a conspicuous place, a sign stating the total capacity of each public room of the licensed establishment, based upon the capacity established by the state or local authority having jurisdiction.
(2) If the capacity of the licensed establishment or any public room in the licensed establishment has not been determined by a state or local authority, then the total capacity of each room shall be determined as follows:
(a) If tables or booths are provided, then there shall be not more than 1 customer for each 15 square feet of total area.
(b) If tables or booths are not used, then there shall be not more than 1 customer for each 6 square feet of total area.
(c) If there is a combination of tables or booths and an open area, then the provisions of both subdivisions (a) and (b) of this subrule shall be used.
(d) If seating is provided at a bar, then there shall be not more than 1 seat for each 20 inches of bar length.
(3) An on-premises licensee shall not allow a public room of the licensed establishment to be occupied by more persons than are authorized by this rule.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1407 Temporary entertainment, dance, or dance-entertainment permits; approval.

Rule 7.

The commission may issue up to 12 daily temporary dance, entertainment, or dance-entertainment permits to a licensee each calendar year upon written request of the licensee and approval of the chief law enforcement officer who has jurisdiction.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 1979 ACS 16, Eff. Nov. 15, 1983; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1409 Rescinded.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; rescinded MR 12, Eff. July 3, 2009.

R 436.1411 Rescinded.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; rescinded MR 12, Eff. July 3, 2009.

R 436.1413 Clothing changes by entertainers.

Rule 13.

(1) If an on-premises licensee offers entertainment wherein performers are required to change costumes or attire, the licensee shall provide and make use of dressing facilities set aside for use by male and female performers.
(2) An on-premises licensee shall not allow the use of restrooms, public rooms, kitchens, or other similar areas for the changing of clothing by entertainers.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1415 Dance floor; requirements.

Rule 15.

An on-premises licensee who is the holder of a dance permit shall not allow dancing on the licensed premises, except on a dance floor that is not less than 100 square feet. The dance floor shall be well defined and clearly marked and shall be without tables, chairs, or other obstacles while customers are dancing.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1417 Employees serving food or liquor prohibited from eating, drinking, or mingling with customers; licensees, agents, and employees prohibited from soliciting customers; allowing customer to solicit liquor prohibited.

Rule 17.

(1) An on-premises licensee shall not allow a person who is engaged in the serving of food or alcoholic liquor to eat, drink, or mingle with the customers.
(2) An on-premises licensee, or the clerk, servant, agent, or employee of an on-premises licensee, shall not solicit a customer for the purchase of alcoholic liquor for himself or herself or for any other person.
(3) An on-premises licensee, or the clerk, servant, agent, or employee of an on-premises licensee, shall not allow a customer to solicit alcoholic liquor for himself or herself or for any other person.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1419 Outdoor service without approval prohibited; requirements for outdoor service if approval is granted.

Rule 19.

(1) An on-premises licensee shall not have outdoor service without the prior written approval of the commission.
(2) If approval for outdoor service is granted, then the on-premises licensee shall ensure that the outdoor service area is well-defined and clearly marked and the on-premises licensee shall not sell, or allow the consumption of, alcoholic liquor outdoors, except in the defined area.
(3) The commission may issue up to 12 daily temporary outdoor service permits to a licensee each calendar year upon written request of the licensee and approval of the chief law enforcement officer who has jurisdiction.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1421 Sample bottles or cans; sale prohibited; removal from premises.

Rule 21.

(1) An on-premises licensee shall not sell or give away the contents of a sample bottle or can.
(2) An on-premises licensee shall remove sample bottles or cans from the licensed premises within 24 hours of their receipt.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1423 Soliciting, accepting, or receiving rebates, refunds, or adjustments from a person other than the commission for broken or defective containers prohibited.

Rule 23.

An on-premises licensee who is licensed to sell spirits shall not solicit, accept, or receive rebates, refunds, or adjustments for any broken or defective spirit containers from a person other than the commission or an agent or employee of the commission.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1425 Rescinded.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 1990 MR 1, Eff. Jan. 19, 1990; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; 2012 MR 9, Eff. May 10, 2012.

R 436.1427 Washing of drinking containers and draft beer equipment.

Rule 27.

(1) An on-premises licensee shall wash, rinse, and sanitize all glasses, mugs, steins, and other reusable drinking containers which are used to serve alcoholic liquor to customers.
(2) An on-premises licensee shall thoroughly cleanse, as often as may be necessary, all beer coils, lines, barrels, tubes, and any other draft beer equipment to keep them in a clean and sanitary condition. An on-premises licensee shall not draw beer through tubes with rubber inner linings.
(3) An on-premises licensee shall pipe all air intakes on pressure pumps used in drawing draft beer in such a manner that only clean air will be used.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1429 Rescinded.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 1999 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1431 Serving of brand names.

Rule 31.

When a person orders a brand name alcoholic liquor sold by an on-premises licensee, the on-premises licensee shall serve and sell only the brand name ordered by that person.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1433 Food operation.

Rule 33.

(1) An on-premises licensee shall not contract for the services of another person to operate the food portion of the licensed business without the prior written approval of the commission.
(2) If a contract for the services of another person in the operation of the food portion of the licensed business is approved by the commission, the on-premises licensee shall comply with all of the following:
    (a) Receive all profits from the sale of alcoholic liquor.
    (b) Retain control over all portions of the licensed premises.
    (c) Be responsible for the actions of the persons operating the food business.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1435 Contests; tournaments.

Rule 35.

(1) An on-premises licensee shall not allow contests in which the licensee or any other person gives away anything of value over $250.00 per day, except upon written order of the commission, and shall not accept or retain anything of value from a person in exchange for sponsoring or promoting a contest or tournament.
(2) An on-premises licensee shall not allow a contest or tournament of any kind in which the sale, use, or consumption of alcoholic liquor is a necessary part of the contest or tournament or in which alcoholic liquor is given as a prize to the participants of the contest or tournament.
(3) An on-premises licensee shall not allow a promotion on the licensed premises in which anything of value over $250.00 per day or any alcoholic liquor is given away without adequate and appropriate consideration, except as provided in this rule or upon written order of the commission. An on-premises licensee shall not accept or retain anything of value from a person in exchange for sponsoring a promotion, except upon written order of the commission.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1437 Specific purpose permit.

Rule 37.

(1) If all of the following criteria are met, the commission may issue, to an on-premises licensee, a specific purpose permit that allows the licensee to have the premises occupied by customers at times other than the legal hours for sale and consumption:
    (a) The licensee has a business that necessitates the establishment being occupied by customers at times other than the legal hours for consumption of alcoholic liquor.
    (b) The establishment is equipped with a full-service kitchen, provides rooms for the lodging of guests, or provides recreational facilities that are owned by the licensee on or adjacent to the licensed establishment. This subdivision may be waived by the commission upon a showing of good cause by the licensee.
    (c) The commission may issue up to 12 daily temporary specific purpose permits to a licensee each calendar year upon written request of the licensee and approval of the chief law enforcement officer who has jurisdiction.
(2) An on-premises licensee who is issued a specific purpose permit shall not allow customers on the licensed premises during the time period provided by the specific purpose permit, unless the activity, and only that activity, allowed by the specific purpose permit is occurring.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1438 Rescinded.

History: 1979 ACS 16, Eff. Nov. 15, 1983; 1985 MR 1, Eff. Feb. 13, 1985; rescinded 2025 MR 3, Eff. Feb. 3, 2025.

OFF-PREMISES LICENSES

(By authority conferred on the liquor control commission by section 215(1) of Act No. 58 of the Public Acts of 1998, as amended, being §436.1215(1) of the Michigan Compiled Laws)

R 436.1501 Definitions.

Rule 1.

The terms defined in R 436.1001 have the same meaning when used in these rules.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1503 Hours and days of operation.

Rule 3.

An off-premises licensee shall not sell, give away, deliver, or furnish alcoholic liquor between the hours of 2 a.m. and 7 a.m. on any day or between the hours of 2 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday and shall not sell, give away, deliver, or furnish spirits between the hours of 2 a.m. and 12 midnight on Sunday, unless issued a Sunday sales permit by the commission which allows the licensee to sell spirits on Sunday between the hours of 12 noon and 12 midnight.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb 3, 1981; 1979 ACS 7, Eff. Aug. 8, 1981.

R 436.1505 Rescinded.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981;-MR 10, Eff. May 30, 2003.

R 436.1507 Stock of liquor.

Rule 7.

An off-premises licensee who is licensed to sell spirits shall carry a representative stock of all types of alcoholic liquor sold by the commission, which may be set by written order of the commission, and shall maintain a dollar amount of inventory of spirits, which may be set by written order of the commission.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1509 Rescinded.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb 3, 1981; 1984 MR 10, Eff. Nov. 14, 1984; 1991 MR 10, Eff. Nov. 8, 1991; Rescinded 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20. 2000.

R 436.1511 Open containers on licensed premises prohibited; exception; consumption of liquor on licensed premises prohibited; exception.

Rule 11.

(1) An off-premises licensee who is not licensed as an on-premises licensee shall not have any open containers of alcoholic liquor on the licensed premises, except for the following:
   (a) A defective or sample bottle or can.
   (b) A returnable container returned by a customer of the off-premises licensee for a refund of the deposit on the container.
   (c) A bottle or can containing alcoholic liquor to be used in the preparation of bakery or deli items by the employees of the off-premises licensee who also holds a Michigan department of agriculture food establishment license, if all of the following conditions are met:
      (i) The alcoholic liquor is used exclusively in the preparation of food products that are cooked or baked before consumption and, at the point of consumption, have an alcoholic content of less than 1/2 of 1%.
      (ii) The bottle or can is resealed and stored in a locked, separate storage compartment within the food preparation area when the contents are not being used in food preparation.
      (iii) The off-premises licensee maintains a clearly defined food preparation area on the licensed premises of not less than 500 square feet.

(iv) The off-premises licensee has obtained the approval of the commission for the use of alcoholic liquor in the preparation of food on the licensed premises.

(2) An off-premises licensee who is not licensed as an on-premises licensee shall not allow the consumption of alcoholic liquor on the licensed premises, except for the consumption of alcoholic liquor in sample bottles or cans. Only an off-premises licensee, or the clerk, servant, agent, or employee of the off-premises licensee, may consume the contents of a sample bottle or can on the licensed premises.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1513 Sample bottles or cans; removal.

Rule 13.

An off-premises licensee shall remove sample bottles or cans from the licensed premises within 24 hours of their receipt.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1515 Sale and delivery of alcoholic liquor.

Rule 15.

(1) An off-premises licensee who is licensed to sell beer and wine shall not take orders for the sale of beer or wine and have the delivery of the beer or wine made to the retail customer by a wholesaler, manufacturer of beer or wine, an outstate seller of beer or wine, or their licensed representatives or salesperson, without the prior written approval of the commission.

(2) An off-premises licensee who is licensed to sell spirits shall not knowingly allow the delivery of spirits to a retail customer by a licensed representative or salesperson, unless the licensed representative or salesperson is acting on behalf of the retail customer.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1517 Type of business; change; approval.

Rule 17.

An off-premises licensee shall not change the nature of business for which the license was issued by the commission without obtaining the prior written approval of the commission.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1519 Soliciting, accepting, or receiving rebates, refunds, or adjustments from a person other than the commission for broken or defective containers prohibited.

Rule 19.

An off-premises licensee who is licensed to sell spirits shall not solicit, accept, or receive rebates, refunds, or adjustments for any broken or defective spirit containers, or case of containers, from a person other than the commission or an agent or employee of the commission.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1521 Outdoor service prohibited; exception.

Rule 21.

An off-premises licensee shall not sell alcoholic liquor out-of-doors, except upon a written order of the commission.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1523 Allowing consumption on licensee's property adjacent to licensed premises prohibited.

Rule 23.

An off-premises licensee shall not knowingly allow a person to consume alcoholic liquor on property which is owned, leased, or possessed by the licensee and which is adjacent to the licensed premises.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981; 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1525 Sale by club licensee of liquor to nonmember prohibited.

Rule 25.

A club licensee who is also licensed with an off-premises license shall not sell alcoholic liquor to a nonmember.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1527 Delivery of liquor to person under 21 years of age prohibited; requirements for delivery of liquor to persons of legal age.

Rule 27.

(1) A licensee authorized to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption off the premises shall not make a delivery of alcoholic liquor to any person unless that person is 21 years of age.
(2) A licensee authorized to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption off the premises who takes an order for alcoholic liquor from a purchaser for delivery to an individual or business at an address other than that of the person making the purchase may deliver or have delivered that alcoholic liquor to the residential or business address indicated by the purchaser making the order provided the individual accepting delivery of the alcoholic liquor is 21 years of age or older and the person making the delivery of the alcoholic liquor verifies that the individual accepting the delivery is 21 years of age or older.
(3) A licensee making a sale and delivery of alcoholic liquor under the provisions of this rule and/or the person making the delivery of the alcoholic liquor shall maintain proof for inspection by the commission of the documents used to determine the age of the individual to whom the alcoholic liquor was delivered.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981;-Am. Eff April 24, 2001.

R 436.1529 Sale of spirits at a uniform price.

Rule 29.

An off-premises licensee who is licensed to sell spirits shall not sell spirits at a price other than the selling price established by the commission, which shall include all taxes collected by the commission at the time of sale to the off-premises licensee and the state sales tax.

History: 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981

R 436.1531 Return of alcoholic liquor product.

Rule 31.

An off-premises licensee may accept from a customer, for a cash refund or exchange, an alcoholic liquor product purchased by the customer from the off-premises licensee if the product is demonstrably spoiled or contaminated or the container damaged to the extent that the contents would likely be of an unsanitary nature or unfit for consumption and if the returned product is not resold and is removed from the licensed premises as soon as practicable, but not more than 14 days after its return.

History: 2000 MR 3, Eff, March 20, 2000.

R 436.1533 Off-premises server training; requirements.

Rule 33.

(1) As used in this rule, all terms and phrases shall have the same meaning as defined in Section 906(1) of the act.
(2) The commission shall approve the establishment of an off-premises server training program designed for off-premises licensees. The commission may adopt the existing standards and programmatic framework of private entities and may delegate nondiscretionary administrative functions to outside private entities.
(3) A person may apply to the commission for qualification as an administrator for the offering of an off-premises server training program and instructor certification classes. Upon approval by the commission of an off-premises server training program, the commission shall appoint the person sponsoring the server training program as an administrator of that program.
(4) The commission shall issue an instructor certification to an individual presenting evidence acceptable to the commission of having successfully completed instructor certification classes and shall issue an identification card indicating that certification by the commission.
(5) The commission shall approve a curriculum for a server training program presented by a certified instructor in a manner considered by the commission to be adequate that includes, but is not limited to, all of the following topics:
    (a) Identification of the visible signs associated with intoxication.
    (b) Implementation of intervention procedures and maintaining incident reports.
    (c) The understanding of acceptable forms of personal identification, techniques for determining the validity of identification, and procedures for dealing with fraudulent identification.
    (d) Assessment of the need to ask for identification based on appearance or company policy.
    (e) The identification of potential second-party sales and furnishing of alcoholic liquor to minors by persons 21 years of age or over.
    (f) The understanding of Michigan laws pertaining to minors attempting to purchase and second-party sales or furnishing of alcoholic liquor from adults to minors.
    (g) The understanding of possible legal, civil, and administrative consequences of violations of this act, the rules of the commission, and other pertinent state laws.
    (h) Knowledge of the legal hours of alcohol sales.
    (i) Any other pertinent laws as determined by the commission.
(6) If the commission conditionally approves the issuance of a license for the purpose of meeting the server training requirements of that approval, then the time period allowed for meeting the server training requirements shall commence on the date the license is issued.
(7) An administrator of a server training program approved by the commission shall administer a comprehensive examination to participants of the program, including individuals seeking certification as instructors within the program. The examination shall thoroughly test the individual's knowledge and competency in the curriculum topics required by subrule (5) of this rule. The minimum passing grade for the examination, for instructor certification, and for all other participants in the program shall be not less than 70%, but shall be not less than 85% for instructors if administered the same examination as other participants in the program. Examinations administered in other than a written form must be approved by the commission. Examinations may be proctored by someone other than a certified instructor of the server training program if the proctor is an agent of the administrator of the server training program and is acceptable to the commission. Other methods of administering an examination must be approved by the commission.
(8) If server training or instructor training is conducted by the administrator of a server training program approved by the commission by means other than classroom training, then the alternative training method must first be approved by the commission.
(9) Certification issued by the administrator of an approved server training program for instructors and other participants shall expire not more than 3 years from the date of issuance.
(10) An off-premises licensee, when ordered by the commission to meet a server training requirement, shall maintain on the licensed premises proof of active, unexpired server training certification or current recognition by a server training program approved by the commission for those persons included in the commission order.

History: 2010 MR 8, Eff. Apr. 27, 2010.

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(By authority conferred on the liquor control commission by section 215(1) of 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1215(1) and Executive Reorganization Order No. 2011-4, MCL 445.2030)

R 436.1601 Definitions.

Rule 1.

The terms defined in R 436.1001 and the act have the same meanings when used in these rules.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC; 1989 MR 9, Eff. Oct. 4, 1989; 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1603 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC; rescinded 1989 MR 9, Eff. Oct. 4, 1989.

R 436.1605 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC; 1989 MR 9, Eff. Oct. 4, 1989; rescinded 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1607 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC; 1989 MR 9, Eff. Oct. 4, 1989; rescinded 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1609 Outstate sellers of beer.

Rule 9.

(1) A person shall be the holder of the required basic permit, Brewer's notice, or both, and be a brewer or outstate seller of beer doing business under an approved basic permit, brewer's notice, or both, issued under the federal alcohol administration act of 1935, 27 U.S.C. §201 et seq., and the regulations under this act, being 27 C.F.R., part 1, subpart C, §§ 1.20 to 1.59 and part 25, subpart G, §§ 25.61 to 25.85 (2014) before being issued an outstate seller of beer license, brewer license, micro brewer license or brewpub license. The provisions of 27 C.F.R., part 1, subpart C, §§ 1.20 TO 1.59 and part 25, subpart G, §§ 25.61 TO 25.85 (2014) are adopted by reference in these rules. Copies of the adopted provisions may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, United States Government Printing Office (GPO), Washington, D.C. 20402 or from the gpo website at https://bookstore.gpo.gov/ at a cost of $37.00 each as of the time of adoption of these rules, or free of charge from the gpo website at https://www.gpo.gov/. Copies of these provisions may also be obtained from the Liquor Control Commission, Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, 525 W. Allegan, P.O. Box 30005, Lansing, Michigan 48909, at a cost of $43.00 each as of the time of the adoption of these rules.

(2) The commission may issue an outstate seller of beer license to the following entities pursuant to these rules and the act:
    (a) A person located in the United States who imports and sells in this state beer made in a foreign country.
    (b) A manufacturer located outside this state, but in the United States, that manufactures and packages its own beer.
    (c) A person located in the United States who purchases beer from a manufacturer of beer located outside of this state, but in the United States, if the amount of beer imported into this state by that person is 5,000 barrels or less per calendar year. In addition, a person who is issued an outstate seller of beer license under the provisions of this subdivision shall be designated by the manufacturer of beer as its sole and exclusive sales agent in this state for a brand or brands of beer produced by that manufacturer and shall be responsible for the quality of beer shipped into and sold in this state.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC; 1989 MR 1, Eff. Jan. 20, 1989; 1989 MR 9, Eff. Oct. 4, 1989; 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1611 Labels and advertising.

Rule 11.

(1) The sale of beer is prohibited in this state unless all of the following provisions are complied with:
   (a) The beer is packaged, marked, branded, and labeled pursuant to these rules.
   (b) The beer label truthfully describes the contents of the container in accordance with these rules and the federal alcohol administration act of 1935, 27 U.S.C., §201 et seq., and the regulations under this act, being 27 C.F.R. part 7, subpart C. §§ 7.20 TO 7.29, subpart H § 7.60 and subpart I § 7.81 (2014). The provisions of 27 C.F.R. part 7, subpart C, §§ 7.20 to 7.29, subpart H § 7.60 and subpart I § 7.81(2014) are adopted by reference in these rules. Copies of the adopted provisions may be obtained either from the Superintendent of Documents, United States Government Printing Office (GPO), Washington, DC 20402, or from the gpo website at http://bookstore.gpo.gov at a cost of $37.00 each as of the time of adoption of these rules, or free of charge from the gpo website at http://www.gpoaccess.gov/cfr/. Copies of these provisions may also be obtained from the Liquor Control Commission, Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, 525 W. Allegan, P.O. Box 30005, Lansing, Michigan 48909, at a cost of $43.00 each as of the time of adoption of these rules.
   (c) A brewer, outstate seller of beer, or wholesaler that is responsible for labeling shall furnish proof, upon request, that valid certificates of approval for the label have been obtained from the United States alcohol and tobacco tax and trade bureau and are unrevoked under the provisions of the federal labeling requirements. If a certificate of label approval is not required by the United States alcohol and tobacco tax and trade bureau, the brewer, outstate seller of beer, or wholesaler must submit an electronic copy of the label.
   (d) The beer has received a registration number from the commission and has been approved for sale by the commission.
(2) A retail licensee shall place a removable tap marker or sign on a draft beer dispenser.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC; 1989 MR 9, Eff. Oct. 4, 1989;- 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000 ; 2011 MR 20, Eff. Oct. 19, 2011; 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1613 Gifts of beer and consumption on licensed premises.

Rule 13.

A wholesaler shall not give away beer or allow consumption of beer on the licensed premises.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC;- 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; 2017 MR5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1615 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC; 1989 MR 9, Eff. Oct. 4, 1989; 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1617 Sales and shipments by outstate sellers of beer.

Rule 17.

A person shall not sell, ship, import, or deliver beer into this state unless the beer is sold, shipped, imported, or delivered in any of the following ways:
   (a) An outstate seller of beer sells, ships, imports, or delivers to its licensed premises, to the licensed premises of a licensed wholesaler of beer, or to the licensed premises of a licensed warehouser.
   (b) A licensed wholesaler of beer buys, imports, or accepts delivery of beer from an outstate seller of beer at the licensed premises of an outstate seller of beer or at the licensed premises of the licensed wholesaler of beer.
   (c) A brewer imports or delivers beer produced at a manufacturing plant which is located outside this state and which is owned by the brewer or the parent or subsidiary corporation of the brewer.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC; 1989 MR 9, Eff. Oct. 4, 1989; 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1621 Excise tax on beer; reports.

Rule 21.

(1) Each wholesaler, brewer, and micro brewer licensed in this state that does not designate a wholesaler to pay the beer tax shall submit to the commission, on forms acceptable to the commission and postmarked not later than the fifteenth day of each calendar quarter, a beer tax report of all beer sold in this state during the previous calendar quarter and the payment of the required beer excise tax due pursuant to section 409 of the act, MCL 436.1409.

(2) The beer excise tax reports submitted pursuant to subrule (1) of this rule by a wholesaler, brewer, or micro brewer licensed in this state must include all of the following information:
   (a) The total sales of beer made into this state during the period covered by the report.
   (b) The total amount of the beer excise tax due.
   (c) The date that each sale of beer was made.
   (d) The name and address of the retailer licensed in this state that received each shipment of beer.
   (e) The invoice number for each shipment of beer.
   (f) The brand name, quantity and container size for each shipment of beer.

(3) Each brewer or micro brewer licensed in this state that designates a wholesaler to report and pay its beer taxes shall notify the commission of its selection through electronic mail. Each brewer or micro brewer licensed in this state that designates a wholesaler shall select a wholesaler or wholesalers sufficient to cover all areas of the state where the brewer's or micro brewer's products are distributed. The commission and the wholesaler shall receive notification of the designation of a wholesaler to report and pay the beer taxes not later than April 1. The selection of a wholesaler to report and pay the beer taxes may be changed only by the brewer or micro brewer licensed in this state by notification to the commission not later than April 1. The change of designated wholesalers is effective on May 1. A brewer or micro brewer licensed in this state that does not properly designate a wholesaler and notify the commission of its selection shall be responsible for the submission of the beer tax reports and payment of the beer tax required under subrules (1) and (2) of this rule.

(4) Each brewer and micro brewer licensed in this state shall submit to the commission, on forms acceptable to the commission and postmarked not later than the fifteenth day of each calendar quarter, a beer tax report of all beer sold or consumed on the licensed premises of its manufacturing facility and tasting rooms during the previous calendar quarter. Payment of the required beer excise tax due pursuant to section 409 of the act, MCL 436.1409, must accompany the beer tax report.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC; 1989 MR 9, Eff. Oct. 4, 1989; 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017; 2025 MR 3, Eff. Feb. 3, 2025.

R 436.1623 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC; Rescinded 1985 MR 4, Eff. May 10, 1985.

R 436.1625 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC; Rescinded 2022 MR 19, Eff. Oct 14, 2022 (Pursuant to PA 226 of 2022)

R 436.1627 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1954 ACS 81, Eff. Nov. 20, 1974; 1954 ACS 91, Eff. June 7, 1977; Rescinded 1954 ACS 97, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978; 1979 AC

R 436.1629 Container deposit and refund.

Rule 29.

(1) A manufacturer, an outstate seller of beer, or a wholesaler of beer shall collect a container deposit of a minimum of $30.00 for all refillable containers of beer with a capacity of over 5 gallons. The deposit collected by a wholesaler from a retail licensee for a refillable container of over 5 gallons shall be equal to the deposit collected by the manufacturer or outstate seller of beer from the wholesaler of beer.

(2) A cash refund which equals the container deposit collected pursuant to subrule (1) of this rule for all refillable containers of beer with a capacity of over 5 gallons shall be made to a licensee who has made the deposit and returned the containers for refund.

History: 1979 AC; 2007 AACS; 2010 MR 8, Eff. Apr. 27, 2010.

R 436.1631 Reports of Michigan licensed brewers, Michigan licensed outstate sellers of beer, and Michigan licensed wholesalers.

Rule 31.

(1) Each sale or delivery of beer made by a Michigan licensed brewer or Michigan licensed outstate seller of beer to a Michigan licensed wholesaler of beer shall be accurately recorded on a sales invoice, a debit memo, or a credit memo. A Michigan licensed brewer or a Michigan licensed outstate seller of beer shall furnish each Michigan licensed wholesaler of beer with 2 copies of each invoice at the time of each sale or delivery of beer.

(2) When a billing error is discovered, a Michigan licensed brewer or a Michigan licensed outstate seller of beer shall immediately furnish the Michigan licensed wholesaler of beer who was incorrectly billed with 2 copies of either a debit memo or a credit memo to correct the billing error.

(3) Each sales invoice shall have printed on it the name, address, and location of the Michigan licensed brewer or Michigan licensed outstate seller of beer issuing the invoice and shall also contain all of the following information:
   (a) The name and address of the Michigan licensed wholesaler of beer to whom the sale was made.
   (b) The date of sale and an identifying invoice number.
   (c) The quantity, brand name or brand code, container type, container size, unit price, and total cost of the beer sold.
   (d) The address to which the beer was delivered, if different than the address of the Michigan licensed wholesaler to whom the beer was sold.

(4) Each debit memo and each credit memo shall have printed on it the name and address of the Michigan licensed brewer or Michigan licensed outstate seller of beer issuing the debit memo or credit memo and shall also contain all of the following information:
   (a) The name and address of the Michigan licensed wholesaler of beer.
   (b) The date on which the original sale occurred and the identifying number of the invoice being corrected.
   (c) The corrected quantity, brand, container type, container size, unit price, the net amount debited or credited, and the number of the invoice to which the debit or credit will be applied, if known.
   (d) The reason for the debit or credit.

(5) Each Michigan licensed wholesaler of beer shall retain, on the licensed premises, 1 copy of each invoice, debit memo, and credit memo received from a Michigan licensed brewer or a Michigan licensed outstate seller of beer and shall forward to the Lansing office of the commission, postmarked not later than the fifteenth day of each month, 1 copy of each invoice, debit memo, or credit memo received during the previous calendar month. As an alternative, the Michigan licensed wholesaler may submit to the Lansing office of the commission a computer generated report that contains all of the same information as the sales invoices, debit memos, and credit memos.

(6) Each Michigan licensed brewer or Michigan licensed outstate seller of beer shall forward to the Lansing office of the commission, postmarked not later than the fifteenth day of each month, 1 copy of each invoice, debit memo, or credit memo for all sales, deliveries, and importations of beer in Michigan during the previous calendar month. As an alternative, the Michigan licensed brewer or Michigan licensed outstate seller may submit to the Lansing office of the commission a computer generated report that contains all of the same information as the sales invoices, debit memos, and credit memos.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC; 1989 MR 9, Eff. Oct. 4, 1989; 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1632 Invoices and bills of lading.

Rule 32.

When transporting beer, a vehicle operator for a brewer, an outstate seller of beer, a licensed wholesaler of beer, or a common carrier shall have invoices or bills of lading in his or her possession for inspection by commission inspectors or auditors and law enforcement officers. This rule shall not apply to a vehicle operator for a licensed wholesaler of beer while he or she is delivering to retail licensees.

History: 1989 MR 9, Eff. Oct. 4, 1989.

R 436.1633 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1979; 1954 ACS 81, Eff. Nov. 20, 1974; 1979 AC; rescinded 2025 MR 3, Eff. Feb. 3, 2025.

R 436.1635 Sale or delivery; restrictions; exception.

Rule 35.

A brewer or wholesaler shall not offer for sale or deliver beer to a retail licensee between 12 midnight on Saturday and 12 midnight on Sunday, except to a holder of a special license issued by the commission.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC; 1989 MR 9, Eff. Oct. 4, 1989.

R 436.1641 Michigan licensed brewers' and Michigan licensed wholesalers' reports and records.

Rule 41.

(1) Each Michigan licensed brewer, Michigan licensed micro brewer, and Michigan licensed brewpub shall maintain records of its transactions, including the distribution of beer. The records shall be maintained in order for 4 years, after which deletions may be made, but a 4-year record shall always be maintained.
(2) Each Michigan licensed wholesaler shall maintain records of its transactions, including the distribution of beer. The records shall be maintained for 4 years, after which deletions may be made, but a 4-year record shall always be maintained.
(3) Each Michigan licensed brewer, Michigan licensed micro brewer, Michigan licensed brewpub, or Michigan licensed wholesaler shall maintain complete records of expenses and compensation of salespersons and representatives for 4 years.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC; 1989 MR 9, Eff. Oct. 4, 1989; 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1643 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC; rescinded 1989 MR 9, Eff. Oct. 4, 1989.

R 436.1645 Inspection and enforcement.

Rule 45.

(1) Upon order of the commission a commission representative or employee of the Michigan department of agriculture may inspect premises of an out-of-state manufacturer of beer which is sold or to be sold in this state.
(2) The books, records and premises of all licensees shall be available to the commission representative at all reasonable times. The licensee shall give any assistance and provide the facilities required for the inspection and analysis.
(3) The commission may demand a sample of any beer, shipped into this state and offered for sale or sold, for analytical and inspection purposes.
(4) The commission reserves the right to confiscate beer or other alcoholic beverages unless the beverage complies with these rules and the act. The beer confiscated shall be subject to disposition by order of the commission.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC.

R 436.1651 Prohibited acts.

Rule 51.

(1) A licensee shall not fail, neglect, or refuse to make a report required by these rules. A licensee shall not refuse to permit commission representatives to examine any of the following:
    (a) The licensee’s books.
    (b) Federal tax stamps.
    (c) Records.
    (d) Invoices.
    (e) Other papers pertaining to the licensee’s books, federal tax stamps, records, or invoices.

(f) Any stock of beer in the licensee's possession or custody. A licensee shall not make an incomplete, false, or fraudulent report or do anything to avoid a full disclosure of the amount of beer subject to tax.

(2) A licensee shall not falsely label a container in which beer is placed for sale, use or give a false or fictitious name, use or give a false or fictitious address in an application or form required by these rules, or otherwise commit a fraud in an application, record, or report.

(3) A licensee shall not engage in tied-in sales of beer, wine, beer and wine, or any alcoholic liquor with any non-alcoholic product sold by the licensee.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1979 AC;- 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1659 Rescissions.

Rule 59.

(1) Rules entitled "Rules and Regulations Applying to the Manufacture and Sale of Beer and/or Malt Beverages as Applied to Licensed Manufacturers and Distributors," being R 436.150 to R 436.250 of the Michigan Administrative Code, and appearing on pages 5320 to 5333 of the 1954 volume of the Code, page 129 of the 1955 Annual Supplement to the Code, and page 1525 of the 1960 Annual Supplement to the Code, are rescinded.

(2) Rules 36, 37, and 39 of the rules entitled "Rules and Regulations Governing the Relationship between Licensed Manufacturers, Wholesalers of Alcoholic Liquor, their Sales Representatives and Retail Licensees," being R 436.556, R 436.557, and R 436.559 of the Michigan Administrative Code, and appearing on pages 5387 and 5388 of the 1954 volume of the Code, are rescinded.

(3) R 436.1627 of the Michigan Administrative Code, appearing on page 95 of Quarterly Supplement No. 91 to the Code, is rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 72, Eff. Aug. 2, 1972; 1954 ACS 97, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978; 1979 AC.

WINE

(By authority conferred on the liquor control commission by section 215(1) of 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1215(1) and Executive Reorganization Order No. 2011-4, MCL 445.2030)

R 436.1701 Definitions

Rule 1.

The terms defined in R 436.1001 and the act have the same meanings when used in these rules.

History: 1979 AC; 1980 AACS; 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1702 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1979 AC; Rescinded 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1703 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1979 AC; Rescinded 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1704 Mixed spirit drink manufacturer.

Rule 4.

A mixed spirit drink manufacturer shall be treated as a wine maker under these rules except for manufacturing and labeling regulations pursuant to section 109(6) of the act, MCL 436.1109(6).

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1979 AC; 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1705 Outstate sellers of wine.

Rule 5.

(1) A person shall be a holder of the required basic permit issued under the federal alcoholic administration act, 27 U.S.C. §201 et seq., before being issued an outstate seller of wine license, wine maker license, or small wine maker license.
(2) The commission may issue an outstate seller of wine license to any of the following entities pursuant to these rules and the act:
    (a) A person who is located in the United States, who imports foreign wine, and who sells this foreign wine in this state.
    (b) A person who is located outside of this state, but in the United States, and who ships and sells bulk wine to licensed Michigan manufacturers for blending, rectifying, or nonbeverage purposes or who ships and sells bottled wine directly to a minister, priest, or rabbi for sacramental purposes.
    (c) A person who is located outside of this state, but in the United States, and who bottles wine manufactured by another person. This person shall have a certificate or affidavit of identity from the manufacturer. This licensed person shall be responsible for the quality of wine shipped into and sold in this state.
    (d) A manufacturer that is located outside of this state, but in the United States, and that produces and bottles its own wine.
    (e) A person who is located in the United States and who is designated by the manufacturer of wine as its sole and exclusive sales agent in the United States. A person who is issued an outstate seller of wine license under the provisions of this subdivision shall be responsible for the quality of wine shipped into and sold in this state.
    (f) A person who is located in the United States and who purchases wine from a manufacturer of wine or brand owner located outside of this state, but in the United States, if the total amount of wine imported into this state that is manufactured by that outstate manufacturer of wine or brand owner is 150,000 liters or less per calendar year. The outstate seller shall be responsible for the quality of wine shipped into and sold in this state. A person who obtains an outstate seller of wine license pursuant to this subdivision, or who imports wine pursuant to this subdivision, and who holds a wholesale license shall pay cash at the time of purchase for importation.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1979 AC; 1979 ACS 11, Eff. June 30, 1982; 1990 MR 12, Eff. Jan. 4, 1991; 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1706 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; rescinded 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1707 Federal standards of identity for wine.

Rule 7.

The standards of identity for the several classes and types of bottled wine shall be the federal standards of identity, published in title 27, part 4, subpart C, C.F.R., 1935, as amended, as of June 1, 1975, which are incorporated herein by reference. The commission may by written order establish other standards of identity. Copies of the federal regulations are on file and available to the public in the Lansing office of the commission at cost.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1954 ACS 85, Eff. Nov. 6, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1708 Manufacturing wine pursuant to federal wine regulations.

Rule 8.

(1) A manufacturer shall manufacture wine under the federal wine regulations published in 27 C.F.R. part 24, §§24.1 to 24.323 (2014) that are adopted in these rules by reference. Copies of the adopted provisions may be obtained either from the Superintendent of Documents, United States Government Printing Office (GPO), Washington, DC 20402 or from the gpo website at https://bookstore.gpo.gov/ at a cost of $37.00 each as of the time of the adoption of these rules, or free of charge from the gpo website at https://www.gpo.gov/. Copies of these provisions may also be obtained from the Liquor Control Commission, Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, 525 W. Allegan, P.O. Box 30005, Lansing, Michigan 48909, at a cost of $43.00 each as of the time of adoption of these rules.
(2) Substandard, imitation base, or nonstandard wine may be sold in this state by written order of the commission.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1954 ACS 85, Eff. Nov. 6, 1975; 1979 AC;- 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1711 Inspections.

Rule 11.

Upon order of the commission any commission representative or employee of the Michigan department of agriculture may inspect any premises of an out-of-state producer, manufacturer or bottler of wine which is sold or to be sold in this state.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1979 AC.

R 436.1712 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1979 AC; Rescinded 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1714 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1979 AC;-Rescinded 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1716 Bottling.

Rule 16.

(1) Wine may be bottled or sold or both in Michigan in containers of any size permitted by the federal alcohol administration act and approved by written order of the commission.
(2) For tax purposes a variance in content will be permitted within a fraction of a fluid ounce in bottles of champagne, carbonated or sparkling wines in order that a 26 ounce container may be registered as a 1/5 of a gallon or 25.6 ounce container, or a 13 ounce container may be registered as a 1/10 of a gallon or 12.8 ounce container.
(3) Imported wine may be delivered into this state and sold in containers of any size permitted by the federal alcohol administration act and approved by written order of the commission.
(4) A Michigan manufacturer shall not bottle bulk domestic or imported wine for sale in any state without

a written order of approval from the commission.

(5) A Michigan manufacturer shall not manufacture or bottle wine for any other manufacturer without a written order of approval from the commission.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1979 AC.

R 436.1717 Restraining orders; record.

Rule 17.

(1) If wine has not been manufactured in accordance with R 436.1708, then the commission may issue a written order restraining a wine manufacturer from selling, offering for sale, using for blending purposes, or otherwise using the wine, whether it is in the finished state or in the course of manufacture. The order shall remain in force until rescinded or otherwise disposed of by the commission.

(2) A manufacturer shall keep a complete record, on forms prescribed by the commission, of all wines manufactured.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1979 AC; 1979 ACS 1, Eff. Jan. 1, 1980;- 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1719 Requirements for sale of bottled wine.

Rule 19.

(1) Bottled wine shall not be offered for sale, kept for sale, sold, delivered, or otherwise introduced into this state unless all of the following provisions have been complied with:

(a) The wine is bottled, packaged, marked, branded, and labeled under these rules.

(b) The wine label truthfully describes the contents of the container pursuant to these rules and the federal wine regulations published in 27 C.F.R. part 4, subpart D, §§4.1 to 4.101 (2014) that are adopted in these rules by reference. Copies of the adopted provisions may be obtained either from the Superintendent of Documents, United States Government Printing Office (GPO), Washington, DC 20402 or from the gpo website at http://bookstore.gpo.gov/ at a cost of $37.00 each as of the time of adoption of these rules, or free of charge from the gpo website at http://www.gpoaccess.gov/cfr/. Copies of these provisions may also be obtained from the Liquor Control Commission, Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, 525 W. Allegan, P.O. Box 30005, Lansing, Michigan 48909, at a cost of $43.00 each as of the time of adoption of these rules.

(c) The wine has received a registration number of approval from the commission.

(2) Bottled wine shall not be shipped, delivered, or otherwise introduced into this state unless it is accompanied by an invoice, manifest, or other shipping document listing the quantity of bottled wine, by brand name and corresponding registration number of approval that is being shipped, delivered, or introduced into this state. The registration number of approval referenced in this subrule is not required to be on the invoice of a Michigan licensed direct shipper for wine shipped to a consumer in this state 21 years of age or older. This does not relieve the Michigan licensed direct shipper from complying with the requirement to obtain a registration number of approval for any wine product shipped into this state.

(3) A manufacturer, rectifier, or outstate seller of wine who is responsible for labeling shall furnish proof, upon request, that valid certificates of approval for the label have been obtained from, and are unrevoked under, the federal labeling requirements as published in 27 C.F.R. part 4, subpart D, §§4.1 to 4.80, of 1935, as amended. If a certificate of label approval is not required by the United States alcohol and tobacco tax and trade bureau, the manufacturer, rectifier, or outstate seller of wine must submit an electronic copy of the label.

(4) A shipment of bottled wine from a manufacturer or an outstate seller of wine shall be made only to a licensed wholesaler at the address of the licensed premises, except upon written order of the commission.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1954 ACS 85, Eff. Nov. 6, 1975; 1954 ACS 89, Eff. Oct. 2, 1976; 1979 AC;- 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000 ; 2011 MR 20, Eff. Oct. 19, 2011; 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1720 Reports of Michigan licensed wine makers, Michigan licensed outstate sellers of wine, and Michigan licensed wholesalers.

Rule 20.

(1) Each sale or delivery of wine made by a Michigan licensed wine maker or Michigan licensed outstate seller of wine to a Michigan licensed wholesaler of wine shall be accurately recorded on a sales invoice, a debit memo, or a credit memo. Each Michigan licensed wine maker and Michigan licensed outstate seller of wine shall furnish each Michigan licensed wholesaler of wine with 2 copies of each invoice at the time of each sale or delivery of wine.

(2) Each sales invoice shall have printed on it the name, address, and location of the Michigan licensed wine maker or Michigan licensed outstate seller of wine issuing the invoice and shall also contain all of the following information:
   (a) The name and address of the Michigan licensed wholesaler of wine to whom the sale was made.
   (b) The date of sale and an identifying invoice number.
   (c) The quantity, brand, container type, container size, unit price, and total cost of the wine sold.
   (d) An identifying designation for all wine over 16% alcohol by volume.
   (e) The address to which the wine was delivered, if different than the address of the licensed wholesaler to whom the wine was sold.

(3) When a billing error is discovered, a Michigan licensed wine maker or Michigan licensed outstate seller of wine shall immediately furnish the Michigan licensed wholesaler of wine who was incorrectly billed with 2 copies of either a debit memo or a credit memo to correct the billing error.

(4) Each debit memo and each credit memo shall have printed on it the name and address of the Michigan licensed wine maker or Michigan licensed outstate seller of wine issuing the debit memo or credit memo and shall also contain all of the following information:
   (a) The name and address of the Michigan licensed wholesaler of wine.
   (b) The date on which the original sale occurred and the identifying number of the invoice being corrected.
   (c) The corrected quantity, brand, container type, container size, unit price, the net amount debited or credited, and the number of the invoice to which the debit or credit will be applied, if known.
   (d) The reason for the debit or credit.

(5) Each Michigan licensed wholesaler of wine shall retain on the licensed premises 1 copy of each invoice, debit memo, and credit memo received from a Michigan licensed wine maker or Michigan licensed outstate seller of wine and shall forward to the Lansing office of the commission, postmarked not later than the fifteenth day of each month, 1 copy of each invoice, debit memo, or credit memo received during the previous calendar month. As an alternative the Michigan licensed wholesaler may submit to the Lansing office of the commission a computer generated report that contains all of the same information as the sales invoices, debit memos and credit memos.

(6) Each Michigan licensed wine maker or Michigan licensed outstate seller of wine shall forward to the Lansing office of the commission, postmarked not later than the fifteenth day of each month, 1 copy of each invoice, debit memo, or credit memo for all sales, deliveries, and importations of wine in Michigan during the previous calendar month. As an alternative the Michigan licensed wine maker or Michigan licensed outstate seller of wine may submit to the Lansing office of the commission a computer generated report that contain all of the same information as the sales invoices, debit memos, and credit memos.

History: 1954 ACS 89, Eff. Oct. 2, 1976; 1979 AC; 1989 MR 9, Eff. Oct. 4, 1989; 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1721 Requirements for sale of bulk wine.

Rule 21.

(1) A manufacturer or outstate seller of wine may sell bulk wine of any alcoholic content for blending purposes and nonbeverage purposes without an additional license.

(2) Bulk wine shall not be offered for sale, kept for sale, sold, delivered or otherwise introduced into this state unless it is approved for sale by the commission and accompanied by a release form, a supply of which shall be furnished by the commission upon request. The release shall be signed by an outstate seller of wine or an authorized agent of the outstate seller of wine.

(3) When bulk wine is received by a consignee on a release issued by the commission, the consignee

shall immediately submit to the commission a copy of the invoice listing the shipment. Upon request the consignee shall readily make available to a commission inspector a copy of the release, the bill of lading, and a copy of the vendor's invoice.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1954 ACS 89, Eff. Oct. 2, 1976; 1979 AC.

R 436.1722 Transportation of wine.

Rule 22.

(1) When bottled wine is transported in interstate or intrastate commerce, a copy of the invoice or bill of lading shall accompany the wine and shall be available for inspection by commission representatives and law enforcement agencies.
(2) A truck driver of a manufacturer or outstate seller of bottled wine shall have invoices and bills of lading available for inspection by commission representatives and law enforcement agencies.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1954 ACS 89, Eff. Oct. 2, 1976; 1979 AC; 1979 ACS 1, Eff. Jan. 1, 1980.

R 436.1723 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1954 ACS 89, Eff. Oct. 2, 1976; 1979 AC; rescinded 1985 MR 4, Eff. May 10, 1985.

R 436.1723a Barrel deposit and refund.

Rule 23a.

(1) A manufacturer, an outstate seller of wine, or a wholesaler of wine shall collect a barrel deposit of $10.00 for a barrel, 1/2 barrel, and 1/4 barrel of wine or mixed wine drink.
(2) A cash refund of $10.00 for a barrel,1/ 2 barrel, and 1/4 barrel of wine or mixed wine drink shall be made to a licensee who has made the deposit and returned the barrels for refund.

History: 1989 MR 1, Eff. Jan. 20, 1989.

R 436.1724 Sacramental wine.

Rule 24.

(1) A manufacturer, outstate seller of wine, or wholesaler may sell wine to a church for use only in sacramental or religious rites.
(2) A manufacturer, outstate seller of wine, or wholesaler who sells wine for sacramental or religious rites shall file a quarterly report with the commission on a form approved by the commission listing the amount of such sales. The report shall be submitted to the commission by January 15, April 15, July 15, and October 15 of each year.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1954 ACS 89, Eff. Oct. 2, 1976; 1979 AC.

R 436.1725 Excise tax on wine; reports.

Rule 25.

(1) Each wholesaler and wine maker licensed in this state that does not designate a wholesaler to pay the wine tax shall submit, to the commission, on forms acceptable to the commission and postmarked not later than the fifteenth day of each calendar quarter, a wine tax report of all wine sold in this state during the preceding calendar quarter and the payment of the required wine excise tax due pursuant to section 301 of the act, MCL 436.1301.
(2) The wine excise tax report submitted pursuant to subrule (1) of this rule by a wholesaler or wine maker licensed in this state must include all of the following information:
    (a) The total sales of wine made into this state during the period covered by the report.
    (b) The total amount of the wine excise tax due.
    (c) The date that each shipment of wine was made.
    (d) The name and address of the retailer licensed in this state that received each shipment of wine.
    (e) The invoice number for each sale of wine.
    (f) The brand name, quantity and container size of each item of wine sold.
(3) Each wine maker licensed in this state that designates a wholesaler to report and pay its wine taxes

shall notify the commission of its selection through electronic mail. Each wine maker licensed in this state that designates a wholesaler shall select a wholesaler or wholesalers sufficient to cover all the areas of the state where the wine maker's products are distributed. The commission and the wholesaler shall receive notification of the designation of a wholesaler to report and pay wine taxes not later than April 1. The selection of a wholesaler to report and pay wine taxes may be changed only by the wine maker licensed in this state by notification to the commission not later than April 1. The change of designated wholesalers is effective May 1. A wine maker licensed in this state that does not properly designate a wholesaler and notify the commission of its selection shall be responsible for the submission of the wine tax reports and payment of the wine tax required under subrules (1) and (2) of this rule.

(4) Each wine maker licensed in this state shall submit to the commission, on forms acceptable to the commission and postmarked not later than the fifteenth day of each calendar quarter, a wine tax report of all wine sold or consumed on the licensed premises of its manufacturing facility and tasting rooms during the preceding calendar quarter. Payment of the required wine excise tax due pursuant to section 301 of the act, MCL 436.1301, must accompany the report.

History: 1954 ACS 89, Eff. Oct. 2, 1976; 1979 AC; 1989 MR 9, Eff. Oct. 4, 1989; 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017; 2025 MR 3, Eff. Feb. 3, 2025.

R 436.1726 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 89, Eff. Oct. 2, 1976; 1979 AC; 1979 ACS 14, Eff. Apr. 7, 1983; Rescinded 2022 MR 19, Eff. Oct 14, 2022 (Pursuant to PA 226 of 2022)

R 436.1727 Records.

Rule 27.

(1) The production and sales records of the manufacturer shall be maintained in order and available for inspection for the 4 most recent years.

(2) A wholesaler of wine shall maintain records of its purchases and sales of alcoholic liquor. The records shall be maintained and available for inspection for the 4 most recent years.

(3) A manufacturer or wholesaler of wine shall maintain complete records of the expenses of their licensed salesmen and representatives and complete records of the total compensation paid to their licensed salesmen and representatives. These records shall be maintained and available for inspection for the 4 most recent years.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1954 ACS 89, Eff. Oct. 2, 1976; 1979 AC.

R 436.1728 Inspection; analysis; enforcement.

Rule 28.

(1) The books, records and premises of all licensees shall be available to the commission representative at all times. The licensees shall give any assistance and provide the facilities required for the inspection and analysis.

(2) The commission may demand a sample of any wine shipped into this state and offered for sale or sold for analytical and inspection purposes.

(3) The commission reserves the right to confiscate wine or other alcoholic beverage unless the beverage complies with these rules and the act. The wine confiscated shall be subject to disposition by order of the commission.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1979 AC.

R 436.1731 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1979 AC;- Rescinded 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1735 Prohibited acts; penalties.

Rule 35.

(1) A licensee shall not fail, neglect, or refuse to submit a report required by these rules or submit a false or incomplete report required by these rules. A licensee shall not refuse to permit a commission representative to examine the wine books, records, invoices, or other papers kept by the licensee in regard to the licensed business.

(2) A licensee shall not falsely label a container in which wine is placed for sale, use or give a false or fictitious address in an application or form required by these rules, or otherwise make a material misrepresentation in an application, record, or report.
(3) A licensee shall not engage in tied-in sales of beer, wine, or beer and wine.
(4) Bottled wine or wine containers shall not be returned to a wholesaler or manufacturer, except as provided by written order of the commission.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970; 1954 ACS 89, Eff. Oct. 2, 1976; 1979 AC; 1985 MR 4, Eff. May 10, 1985;- 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; 2017 MR 5, Eff. March 16, 2017.

R 436.1749 Rescissions.

Rule 49.

The following rules are rescinded:

(a) Rule 19 of the rules entitled "Retail Licensees Selling Alcoholic Beverages for Consumption on the Premises," being R 436.19 of the Michigan Administrative Code, and appearing on page 5306 of the 1954 volume of the Code.
(b) Rule 15 of the rules entitled "Retail Licensees Selling Beer and Wine for Consumption off the Premises," being R 436.65 of the Michigan Administrative Code, and appearing on page 5310 of the 1954 volume of the Code.
(c) Rules entitled "Manufacture, Importation, Transportation, Standards of Identity and Quality, Labeling, Possession and Sale of Wines," being R 436.251 to R 436.422 of the Michigan Administrative Code, and appearing on pages 5333 to 5370 of the 1954 volume of the Code.

History: 1954 ACS 64, Eff. Sept. 1, 1970, 1979 AC.

(By authority conferred on the liquor control commission by section 215(1) and 301 of 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1215(1) and MCL 436.1201, and Executive Reorganization Order No. 2011-4, MCL 445.2030)

R 436.1801 Definitions.

Rule 1.

The terms defined in the Michigan liquor control act and the commission rules have the same meaning when used in these rules.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1802 Authorized distribution agents; generally.

Rule 2.

(1) As used in this rule, "authorized distribution agent" means a person who has entered into a contractual relationship with 1 or more manufacturers or suppliers of spirits or with another authorized distribution agent for warehousing or distribution, or both, of spirits and who has been certified, in writing, by the commission, to act as the commission's agent for the warehousing and distribution of spirits to retail licensees of the commission.
(2) A person shall apply for certification as an authorized distribution agent to the commission in Lansing on forms, and in the manner, approved by the commission.
(3) An applicant for certification as an authorized distribution agent shall provide both of the following to the commission:
    (a) A technical plan for the importation, transportation, warehousing, and delivery of spirits in this state.
    (b) Any information or documentation required by the commission relating to the honesty and integrity of any applicant or any principal in the corporation, company, association, limited liability company, or partnership applying for certification as an authorized distribution agent.
(4) An authorized distribution agent or prospective authorized distribution agent shall maintain, and make available to the commission or its representative upon being given notice, any contract or written agreement or proposed contract or written agreement that the authorized distribution agent or prospective authorized distribution agent may have with a manufacturer, supplier of spirits, or other authorized distribution agent for the importation, warehousing, delivery, or sale of spirits in this state.
(5) An authorized distribution agent shall maintain an adequate physical plant and proper equipment to perform the functions for which the authorized distribution agent is certified.
(6) The commission may inspect, during normal business hours, any facility or equipment used in conjunction with the business of an authorized distribution agent or applicant for certification as an authorized distribution agent.
(7) An authorized distribution agent or prospective authorized distribution agent shall make available, for inspection by the commission and its representatives, all financial and accounting records pertinent to the operation of the authorized distribution agent or prospective authorized distribution agent.
(8) An authorized distribution agent shall maintain, at its expense, insurance approved by the commission to protect against claims resulting from business operations or activities, including insurance on alcoholic beverages in storage or transit.
(9) An authorized distribution agent shall obtain and maintain a blanket bond payable to the state of Michigan in an amount equal to the risk of loss to the state as determined by the commission.
(10) An authorized distribution agent shall not have a direct or indirect interest in a retail alcoholic beverage license issued by the state of Michigan as enumerated in section 537 of Act No. 58 of the Public Acts of 1998, as amended, being §436.1537 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
(11) An authorized distribution agent may not subcontract any of the business functions or activities specified in the agent's contract or agreement with the manufacturer or supplier of spirits without the prior written consent of the commission and certification of the subcontractor as an authorized distribution agent of the commission.
(12) The commission may rescind the certification of an authorized distribution agent who fails to comply

with any and all federal, state, or local codes, laws, ordinances, rules, or regulations applicable to the agent's operations or fails to comply with Act No. 58 of the Public Acts of 1998, as amended, being §436.1101 et seq. of the Michigan Compiled Laws, commission rules, certification requirements, or commission order, including an order that establishes further business operating procedures for authorized distribution agents.

(13) Certification of an authorized distribution agent shall terminate automatically and without any act of the commission if the contract or agreement between the authorized distribution agent and the manufacturer or supplier of spirits or another authorized distribution agent expires or is terminated. Certification shall also terminate automatically upon modification of the system of warehousing and distribution of spirits by the legislature or the commission that eliminates the need for the authorized distribution agent certification.

(14) The commission may, by order, establish further business operating procedures for authorized distribution agents relative to the wholesaling and distribution of spirits.

History: 1996 MR 8, Eff. Sept. 11, 1996;- 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1803 Building and health laws and ordinances.

Rule 3.

A manufacturer of spirits shall comply with all state and local building and health laws and ordinances.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1805 Equipment.

Rule 5.

A manufacturer of spirits shall possess the necessary equipment for a satisfactory operation which shall be maintained in good working order and in a sanitary condition. The commission may establish specific equipment requirements by written order.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1807 Agricultural product compliance with law.

Rule 7.

Agriculture products processed by a manufacturer of spirits shall comply with state laws and rules of the department of agriculture.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1809 Sellers of alcohol.

Rule 9.

(1) A seller of alcohol license is required for the sale of alcohol in this state.

(2) A seller of alcohol license shall be issued, pursuant to the act and commission rules, to the following:
   (a) A person who is the holder of the required basic permit issued under the federal alcohol administration act.
   (b) A person who has paid the annual license fee and furnished the surety bond set by written order of the commission.

(3) A seller of alcohol licensee may sell an unlimited quantity of alcohol to the following:
   (a) A licensed distiller, rectifier or manufacturer of wine, for fortifying and blending purposes.
   (b) A licensed industrial manufacturer for use in manufacturing products for nonbeverage purposes.

(4) A seller of alcohol licensee may sell a limited quantity of alcohol to persons holding a federal tax free alcohol permit, such quantity to be set by written order of the commission.

(5) A shipment into this state from a seller of alcohol licensee shall have a release from the commission.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1811 Industrial manufacturers.

Rule 11.

(1) An industrial manufacturer license is required to secure alcohol and bulk alcoholic liquors for exclusive use in manufacturing products for non-beverage purposes.
(2) An industrial manufacturer license shall be issued, pursuant to the act and commission rules, to the following:
    (a) A person who is the holder of the required basic permit issued under the federal alcohol administration act.
    (b) A person who has paid the annual license fee and furnished the surety bond set by written order of the commission.
(3) An industrial manufacturer licensee shall buy alcohol only from the commission or from a licensee of the commission.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1813 Limited alcohol buyers.

Rule 13.

(1) A limited alcohol buyer license is required to secure alcohol for medicinal, mechanical, chemical or scientific purposes.
(2) A limited alcohol buyer license shall be issued, pursuant to the act and commission rules, to a person who has paid the annual fee set by written order of the commission.
(3) A limited alcohol buyer licensee shall buy alcohol only from the commission or from a licensee of the commission.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1815 Transportation.

Rule 15.

Railroads, steamship lines, express companies, and common carriers of other transporting companies are prohibited from accepting or delivering spirits to any person in this state except in accordance with the following:

(a) A copy of a release approved by a representative of the commission shall accompany the bill of lading for shipments of spirits made to a person or licensee in this state.
(b) A release is not required when bottled spirits are shipped with a bill of lading addressed to or in care of the commission.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1817 Warehouse receipts.

Rule 17.

A person shall not sell, offer for sale or in any manner assign or transfer in this state warehouse receipts for spirits, wherever the spirits are located, except as follows:

(a) An isolated transaction in which a warehouse receipt for spirits is sold, offered for sale or delivered by a bona fide owner or pledgee thereof, such sale or offer for sale or delivery not being made in the course of repeated or successive transactions of a like character by the owner or pledgee, and the owner or pledgee not being a dealer or issuer or salesman of such warehouse receipts.
(b) A sale of warehouse receipts for spirits by a manufacturer.
(c) A sale made to a bank, trust company, insurance company, or broker or dealer in warehouse receipts for spirits.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1819 Prohibited acts by licensees.

Rule 19.

(1) A licensee shall not fail, neglect or refuse to make a report required by these rules or refuse to permit commission representatives to examine his books, federal tax stamps, records, invoices or other papers pertaining thereto, or any stock of spirits in his possession or custody, or make an incomplete, false or fraudulent report or do anything to avoid a full disclosure of the amount of spirits subject to tax.

(2) A licensee shall not falsely label a container in which spirits are placed for sale, or use or give a false or fictitious name, or use or give a false or fictitious address in an application or form required by these rules, or otherwise commit a fraud in an application, record or report.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1821 Damaged goods.

Rule 21.

No rebates, refunds or adjustments on broken containers, damaged goods, or for other reasons, shall be made by a licensee to any other licensee except by written order of the commission.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1823 Rescissions.

Rule 23.

The following rules are rescinded:

(a) The rules entitled "Rules and Regulations Governing Vendors and Agents Engaged in the Promotion of the Sale of Distilled Spirits in the State of Michigan," being R 436.131 to R 436.141 of the Michigan Administrative Code, and appearing on page 5319 of the 1954 volume of the Code.

(b) Rules entitled "Regulations for the Sale and Control of Alcohol, Spirits, Cologne Spirits, Whiskies, Brandies, High Wines, Low Wines for Beverage, Nonbeverage, Industrial, Medicinal, Chemical, Scientific and Tax Free Purposes," being R 436.431 to R 436.439 and R 436.450 of the Michigan Administrative Code, and appearing on pages 5371 to 5375 of the 1954 volume of the Code.

(c) Rule 6 of the rules entitled "Wines," being R 436.1706 of the Michigan Administrative Code and appearing on page 5788 of the 1970-71 Annual Supplements to the Code.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1825 Adoption by reference of federal standards of identity for spirits.

Rule 25.

The federal standards of identity, published at 27 C.F.R. part 5, subpart C, §§5.21 to 5.23, of 1935, as amended, are adopted by reference in these rules as the standards of identity for the classes and types of bottled spirits. Copies of the adopted standards may be obtained either from the Superintendent of Documents, United States Government Printing Office (gpo), Washington, DC 20402 or from the gpo website at http://bookstore.gpo.gov at a cost of $37.00 each as of the time of adoption of these rules, or free of charge from the gpo website at http://www.gpoaccess.gov/cfr. Copies of these provisions may also be obtained from the Liquor Control Commission, Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Secondary Complex, 7150 Harris Drive, P.O. Box 3005, Lansing, Michigan 48909, at a cost of $43.00 each as of the time of adoption of these rules. The commission may establish other standards by written order.

History: 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; 2011 MR 20, Eff. Oct. 19, 2011.

R 436.1827 Adoption by reference of federal distilled spirit regulations.

Rule 27.

A manufacturer of spirits shall manufacture spirits under the federal distilled spirit regulations published at 27 C.F.R. part 19, §§19.1 to 19.792, of 1935, as amended, which are adopted in these rules by reference. Copies of the adopted provisions may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, United States Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402, at a cost as of the time of adoption of these rules of $49.00. Copies of these provisions may also be obtained from the Liquor Control Commission, Department of Consumer and Industry Services, Secondary Complex, 7150 Harris Drive, P.O. Box 30005, Lansing, Michigan 48909, at a cost as of the time of adoption of these rules of $55.00 each.

History: 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1829 Labels and advertising.

Rule 29.

The sale of spirits is prohibited in this state unless all of the following provisions are complied with:

(a) The spirit is packaged, marked, branded, and labeled in accordance with these rules.

(b) The spirit label truthfully describes the contents of the container in accordance with these rules and the federal distilled spirit regulations published at 27 C.F.R. part 5, subpart C, of 1935, as amended, which are adopted by reference in R 436.1825.

(c) A vendor of spirits shall furnish proof upon request that a valid certificate of approval for the label has been obtained and is unrevoked under the federal labeling requirements at 27 C.F.R. part 5, subpart C, of 1935, as amended, which are adopted by reference in R 436.1825.

(d) The commission has issued a registration number of approval for the spirits.

History: 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000; 2011 MR 20, Eff. Oct. 19, 2011.

VENDOR REPRESENTATIVE AND SALESMAN

(By authority conferred on the liquor control commission by section 215(1) of Act No. 58 of the Public Acts of 1998, being §436.1215(1) of the Michigan Compiled Laws)

R 436.1851 Rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC; rescinded 1979 ACS 4, Eff. Feb. 3, 1981.

R 436.1853 Licenses.

Rule 53.

(1) A vendor of spirits, manufacturer of beer, manufacturer of wine, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or wholesaler shall not employ a person to sell, deliver, promote, or otherwise assist in the sale of, alcoholic liquor in this state unless the person is licensed by the commission as a vendor representative or salesperson and issued an identification card.
(2) The commission shall set the license fee for a vendor representative or salesperson by written order. A license is renewable on May 1, 1975, and every 3 years thereafter.
(3) The commission shall set the license fee for a broker by written order. A license fee for a broker shall be the same as for a salesperson license.
(4) A person shall not sell alcoholic liquor to the commission unless represented by a licensed vendor representative.
(5) A vendor representative shall obtain a separate license for each vendor of spirits represented.
(6) A person shall be not less than 18 years of age before being issued a license.
(7) This rule does not require a driver helper to be licensed as a salesperson if the driver helper is accompanied by a licensed salesperson and is assisting the licensed salesperson only in the delivery of alcoholic beverage product.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC; 1979 ACS 11, Eff. June 30, 1982;- 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1855 Identification cards.

Rule 55.

(1) A vendor representative or salesman shall show his commission identification card upon request of a commission representative or law enforcement officer.
(2) A vendor representative or salesman shall show his commission identification card upon request before offering for sale or selling alcoholic liquor to a retail licensee.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1857 Common carriers.

Rule 57.

A person employed by a common carrier is not required to be licensed under these rules.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1859 Prohibited acts.

Rule 59.

(1) A vendor representative, salesperson, or driver helper shall not do any of the following:
    (a) Grant, allow, pay, or rebate cash or any other thing of value to a licensee or an agent, clerk, or employee of a licensee, except upon written order of the commission.
    (b) Purchase or deliver spirits to retail licensees, except for a salesperson or driver helper who delivers spirits in the normal course of his or her duties for an authorized distribution agent.
    (c) Deliver beer or wine to retail licensees in vehicles not approved by the commission.
    (d) Be employed by a retail licensee on a paid or any other basis.

(e) Furnish entertainment or a gratuity of any kind to commission employees. The word "entertainment" does not include normal business meals.

(2) A licensee employed to deliver alcoholic liquor shall not consume alcoholic liquor while on duty or in the course of employment.

(3) A vendor representative or salesperson shall not advise a licensee on commission rules or the liquor control code, being Act No. 58 of the Public Acts of 1998, as amended, being §436.1101 et seq. of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC;- 2000 MR 3, Eff. March 20, 2000.

R 436.1861 Promotions.

Rule 61.

(1) A brewer, a vendor of spirits, a wine maker, an outstate seller of beer, an outstate seller of wine, or a licensed wholesaler of beer or wine shall not do either of the following:

(a) Participate in or conduct any event, contest, activity, or undertaking on the campus of any 2- or 4-year college or university located in this state which is designed to promote the sale or consumption of any alcoholic liquor.

(b) Participate in or conduct any event, contest, activity, or undertaking off the campus of any 2- or 4-year college or university located in this state if the event, contest, activity, or undertaking is organized or sponsored by any student group which has a majority of members who are under the legal age for consumption of alcoholic liquor.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subrule (1) of this rule, a brewer, a vendor of spirits, a wine maker, an outstate seller of beer, an outstate seller of wine, or a licensed wholesaler of beer or wine may do any of the following:

(a) Advertise in any newspaper or periodical published or circulated on the campus of a 2- or 4-year college or university located in this state if such advertising is done in accordance with the provisions of R 436.1301 to R 436.1339.

(b) Make a philanthropic gift to the governing body of a 2- or 4-year college or university located in this state if such gift does not include alcoholic liquor and is not contingent upon the promotion or advertising of any brand of alcoholic liquor.

(c) Participate in a course offered by any 2- or 4-year college or university located in this state if the course is offered in an academic building of the 2- or 4-year college or university and is under the supervision of a faculty member.

(d) Participate in, sponsor, contribute to, or promote any organization or program having as its purpose the dissemination of information concerning alcohol awareness or responsible consumption of alcoholic liquor or which is involved in either research or treatment related to the use or abuse of alcoholic liquor if such participation has the prior approval of both the commission and the governing body, or its designee, of the 2- or 4-year college or university located in this state at which the participation is to take place.

(e) Provide financial assistance to a group or organization conducting an event, contest, activity, or undertaking held entirely or in part on the campus of any 2- or 4-year college or university located in this state if such financial assistance has the prior approval of both the commission and the governing body, or its designee, of the college or university on whose campus the event, contest, activity, or undertaking is to take place. A group or organization which receives financial assistance may acknowledge the source of the financial assistance.

(3) A brewer, a vendor of spirits, a wine maker, an outstate seller of beer, an outstate seller of wine, or a licensed wholesaler of beer or wine shall not hire, or cause to be hired, any person whose duty or responsibility it is to promote, market, or encourage the use, sale, or consumption of alcoholic liquor on the campus of, or by the students of, any 2- or 4-year college or university located in this state. However, a brewer, a vendor of spirits, a wine maker, an outstate seller of beer, or an outstate seller of wine may hire a person, who shall be licensed by the commission, for the purpose of representing that brewer, vendor of spirits, wine maker, outstate seller of beer, or outstate seller of wine in its dealings with any group or organization affiliated with and recognized by a 2- or 4-year college or university or with the governing body, or its designee, to make the arrangements necessary to accomplish those activities permitted by subrule (2) of this rule.

(4) This rule shall not prohibit a licensed wholesaler of beer or wine from making a sale or delivery of beer or wine to a licensee located on the campus of a 2- or 4-year college or university.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC; 1985 MR 12, Eff. Jan. 1, 1986.

R 436.1863 Samples.

Rule 63.

(1) A sample of alcoholic liquor shall have affixed on a separate label or on the commercial label the word "Sample" at least 1/2 inch high.
(2) Only 1 open sample bottle or can of alcoholic liquor may be given to a retail licensee for his personal sampling.
(3) A vendor of spirits, manufacturer of beer, manufacturer of wine, outstate seller of wine, outstate seller of beer, vendor representative, salesman or other licensees shall not assist in the violation of the liquor control act or commission rules.

History: 1954 ACS 83, Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC.

R 436.1865 Expenses and expense records.

Rule 65.

(1) A vendor representative and salesperson of a vendor of spirits, manufacturer of beer, manufacturer of wine, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine or wholesaler shall maintain an accurate record of expenditures for each call on a retail licensee. These records shall be maintained for 4 years and be available for commission inspection.
(2) (2) A vendor representative or salesperson of spirits or wine, for promotional purposes, may purchase 1 drink for each customer of an on-premises retail licensee only. The drink purchased shall be of the brand represented by the vendor representative or salesperson.
(3) A vendor representative or salesperson of a manufacturer of beer, a wholesaler of beer or an outstate seller of beer, for promotional purposes, may purchase 1 drink for each customer of an on-premises retail licensee subject to a total spending limit of $50.00 per day. The drinks purchased shall be of the brand represented by the vendor representative or salesperson.
(4) A vendor representative or salesperson of a manufacturer of beer, a wholesaler of beer or an outstate seller of beer shall not purchase drinks, as described in subrule (3) of this rule, more than twice per month at the same on-premises retail licensed location.
(5) A licensee employed to deliver alcoholic liquor shall not purchase drinks of alcoholic liquors for a retail licensee while on duty or in the course of employment.

History: 1979 AC; 2010 MR 8, Eff. Apr. 22, 2010.

R 436.1869 Rescissions.

Rule 69.

The rules of the commission entitled "Rules and Regulations Governing the Relationship between Licensed Manufacturers, Wholesalers of Alcoholic Liquors, their Sales Representatives and Retail Licensees," being R 436.521 to R 436.534, R 436.549 to R 436.555, R 436.558, R 436.560 and R 436.570 of the Michigan Administrative Code and appearing on pages 5383 to 5384 and 5386 to 5388 of the 1954 volume of the Code are rescinded.

History: 1954 ACS 83; Eff. May 2, 1975; 1979 AC.

HEARING AND APPEAL PRACTICE

(By authority conferred on the liquor control commission by section 215(1) of 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1215(1), section 230 of 1965 PA 380, MCL 16.330, and section 33 of 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.233)

R 436.1901 Definitions.

Rule 1.

(1) As used in these rules:
   (a) "Act" means 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1101 et seq.
   (b) "Duly authorized agent" means a person designated by the chairperson pursuant to sections 903(3) and (4) of the act to hear violation cases.
(2) The terms defined in the act and in the general rules of the commission have the same meaning when used in these rules.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC; 2004 MR 6, Eff. March 24, 2004.

R 436.1903 Hearings; transcripts.

Rule 3.

(1) All hearings shall be open to the public.
(2) A copy of the transcript of the testimony taken at a hearing before the commission shall be available upon written request to the commission and payment of the commission's prescribed fees which shall be set by written order of the commission.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC.

R 436.1905 Violations; violation report; complaint; notice of hearing.

Rule 5.

(1) Alleged violations of the act or commission rules shall be stated on a violation report form and shall be submitted to the executive services division of the commission.
(2) A complaint specifying the particular section of the act or commission rules allegedly violated by the licensee may be prepared for the licensing and enforcement division at the direction of an assistant attorney general.
(3) Each complaint shall be assigned a number which shall be placed on all papers filed in the proceedings.
(4) The complaint shall be served by the executive services division on the licensee in person or by mail to the licensed address not less than 20 days before the scheduled hearing date. The licensed address shall be the address of the licensed establishment unless the licensee has submitted, in writing, to the commission, a different address for the receipt of mail. The complaint shall advise the licensee of the licensee's right to request a copy of the violation report.
(5) Notice of hearing on a complaint which indicates the date scheduled for the hearing shall be served by executive services division on the licensee at the address of the licensee as specified in subrule (4) of this rule not less than 10 days before the date of hearing.
(6) The hearing notice shall advise the licensee of the licensee's right to be represented by an attorney at the hearing.
(7) The complaint and notice of hearing on the complaint shall be substantially in accordance with forms prescribed by the commission.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC; 2004 MR 6, Eff. March 24, 2004.

R 436.1907 Waiver of hearing; acknowledgment of violation.

Rule 7.

(1) A licensee who is cited in a complaint for an alleged violation of the act or commission rules may waive the right to a hearing on the complaint and acknowledge the violation or violations specified in the complaint.

(2) The waiver and acknowledgment constitute an authorization to the hearing commissioner or duly authorized agent to enter, without a hearing, an order which the hearing commissioner or duly authorized agent deems appropriate.
(3) The waiver of the right to hearing and acknowledgment of the violation shall be on the reverse side of the complaint form and as prescribed by the commission. The waiver and acknowledgment form shall provide that the licensee may explain, on a separate sheet of paper, any mitigating circumstances which the licensee believes should be considered in disposing of the violation.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC; 2004 MR 6, Eff. March 24, 2004.

R 436.1909 Violation hearing.

Rule 9.

(1) A hearing commissioner or duly authorized agent designated by the chairperson shall conduct the violation hearing on the complaint. Findings of fact, conclusions of law, and an order shall be mailed to the licensee and the licensee's attorney of record within 45 days after the completion of the hearing, except upon written order of the commission extending the time period.
(2) In violation hearings where the licensee is not represented by an attorney-at-law, the hearing commissioner or duly authorized agent designated by the chairperson shall open the hearing by advising the licensee of both of the following rights:
    (a) The right to present evidence.
    (b) The right to cross-examine commission witnesses.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC; 1988 MR 1, Eff. Jan. 27, 1988.

R 436.1910 Violation rehearing.

Rule 10.

(1) After a violation hearing, a licensee who alleges new evidence may request a rehearing before the hearing commissioner or duly authorized agent who issued the original order. A request for a rehearing shall be submitted in writing to the commission in Lansing within 20 days after the date of the mailing of the original order.
(2) If a request for a rehearing in a violation matter is granted by the hearing commissioner or duly authorized agent, then the licensee or the licensee's attorney of record shall be notified of the rehearing not less than 10 days before the date of the rehearing.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC; 2004 MR 6, Eff. March 24, 2004.

R 436.1911 Costs.

Rule 11.

If the hearing commissioner renders a decision that a violation occurred, then the hearing commissioner or duly authorized agent may assess actual costs of the proceeding against the licensee.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC; 2004 MR 6, Eff. March 24, 2004.

R 436.1913 Personal appearance of licensee.

Rule 13.

(1) At least 1 of the following entities shall personally appear at a violation hearing, as applicable:
    (a) The individual licensee.
    (b) A co-licensee.
    (c) A partner of a partnership licensee.
    (d) An officer of a corporate licensee.
    (e) A member or manager of a limited liability company.
(2) Subrule (1) of this rule may be waived by the hearing commissioner or duly authorized agent if a formal appearance has been filed by an attorney-at-law in good standing in this state.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC; 1994 MR 12, Eff. Dec. 16. 1995; 2004 MR 6, Eff. March 24, 2004.

R 436.1915 Failure to personally appear at violation hearings.

Rule 15.

(1) If a proper appearance by a licensee is not made at a scheduled violation hearing in accordance with R 436.1913 then the presiding hearing commissioner or duly authorized agent may do any of the following:
    (a) Grant an adjournment without testimony being taken.
    (b) Order testimony taken and then adjourn the proceedings until rescheduled.
    (c) Order the immediate suspension of the license until a proper appearance is made at a rescheduled hearing.
    (d) Issue a decision of default.
    (e) Proceed with the hearing and render a decision.
(2) If an adjournment is granted after testimony is taken and the licensee, at a rescheduled hearing, desires to cross-examine the commission witnesses who have already testified, then the commission witnesses shall be produced by, and at the expense of, the licensee under the provisions of the commission rules.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC; 2004 MR 6, Eff. March 24, 2004.

R 436.1917 Violation appeal hearings; appeal board.

Rule 17.

(1) A licensee aggrieved by an order of a hearing commissioner or duly authorized agent as a result of a complaint may request a violation appeal hearing which may be granted at the discretion of the appeal board.
(2) The violation appeal board consists of the 3 administrative commissioners who shall conduct violation appeal hearings.
(3) A request for a violation appeal hearing shall identify the date of the violation hearing, the order which was issued as a result of the violation hearing, and the licensee's reasons for requesting an appeal.
(4) The request for a violation appeal hearing shall consist of 4 copies which shall be sent, by certified mail, to the Lansing office of the commission accompanied by a check or money order for $25.00 within 20 days from the date of the mailing of the order from which the appeal is taken.
(5) An appeal based on a claim of error shall specify all findings of fact and conclusions of law claimed to be erroneous, with a brief statement of the grounds for claiming error.
(6) A request for a violation appeal hearing, which is sent to the commission after 20 days from the date of the mailing of the order from which the appeal is taken, may be granted by the commission if the delay is not due to the culpable negligence of the licensee appellant.
(7) An answer to a request for an appeal from a violation may be prepared by an assistant attorney general before the date of the appeal hearing.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC; 2004 MR 6, Eff. March 24, 2004.

R 436.1919 Appeal notice.

Rule 19.

If a request for a violation appeal hearing is granted, the appeal board shall notify the licensee, or the licensee's attorney of record, of the appeal hearing not less than 10 days prior to the date of the appeal hearing.

History: 1954 ACS 90; Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC.

R 436.1921 Violation appeal hearings; burden of proceeding.

Rule 21.

(1) Violation appeal hearings which are granted by the appeal board shall be limited to the official record of the original hearing.

(2) In violation appeal hearings, the licensee has the burden of proceeding with reasons and arguments for revision or reversal of the order of the hearing commissioner or duly authorized agent.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC; 2004 MR 6, Eff. March 24, 2004.

R 436.1923 Violation appeal hearing decision.

Rule 23.

(1) The decision of the appeal board on a violation appeal hearing shall be mailed to the licensee and the licensee's attorney of record within 30 days after the hearing, except upon written order of the commission extending the time period.
(2) The decision of the appeal board shall be in writing and shall do 1 of the following:
    (a) Affirm the order of the hearing commissioner or duly authorized agent.
    (b) Modify the order of the hearing commissioner or duly authorized agent.
    (c) Rescind the order of the hearing commissioner or duly authorized agent.
    (d) Remand the case back to the hearing commissioner or duly authorized agent who issued the original order.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC; 2004 MR 6, Eff. March 24, 2004.

R 436.1925 Hearings on matters other than violations.

Rule 25.

(1) The commission, on its own motion, may order a hearing on a matter within its jurisdiction.
(2) Applications for a license issued under the act or commission rules shall be reviewed by the administrative commissioners. If a license application is denied, then the aggrieved license applicant may request an appeal hearing, and the commission shall grant the hearing. The request shall be made to the Lansing office of the commission within 20 days from the date of the mailing of the decision of denial.
(3) The chairperson may designate 1 or more commissioners to hear matters other than a violation of the act or commission rules.
(4) In a hearing on matters other than a violation of the act or commission rules, the commission may determine which party has the burden of proceeding.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC; 2004 MR 6, Eff. March 24, 2004.

R 436.1927 Filing of papers.

Rule 27.

(1) All documents and papers pertaining to a hearing or appeal hearing shall be filed at the Lansing office of the commission.
(2) The presiding commissioner may allow papers to be filed at a hearing or appeal hearing.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC.

R 436.1929 Subpoena.

Rule 29.

(1) On written application, the commission or the authorized agent of the commission shall issue a subpoena requiring the attendance of witnesses at the time and place of hearing or appeal hearing. Subpoena and witness fees shall be set by written order of the commission.
(2) The application for subpoena shall indicate the name and address of the witness. The person requesting the issuance of the subpoena is responsible for the service of the subpoena.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC.

R 436.1931 Postponements; continuances.

Rule 31.

(1) Requests for postponements shall be made in writing not less than 2 working days before the violation hearing or appeal hearing date unless waived by a commissioner or duly authorized agent. The written request may be granted by a commissioner or a duly authorized agent of the commission.
(2) Requests for continuance for cause may be granted by the presiding commissioner or duly authorized agent at the hearing or appeal hearing.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC; 2004 MR 6, Eff. March 24, 2004.

R 436.1933 Attorney at law.

Rule 33.

In addition to the appearance required by R 436.1913, a licensee or an aggrieved license applicant may be represented at a hearing by a licensed attorney at law in good standing in this state. The attorney shall file a written appearance with the commission before or at the time of the hearing.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC.

R 436.1935 Rescissions.

Rule 35.

The following rules are rescinded:

(a) Rules entitled "Rules of Procedure on Appeal to the Appeal Board," being R 436.701 to R 436.711 of the Michigan Administrative Code and appearing on pages 1526 and 1527 of the 1960 Annual Supplement to the Code.
(b) Rules entitled "Rules of Practice and Hearing Procedure Upon Violations," being R 436.751 to R 436.767 of the Michigan Administrative Code and appearing on pages 1527 to 1531 of the 1960 Annual Supplement to the Code.

History: 1954 ACS 90, Eff. Jan. 25, 1977; 1979 AC.

CHURCH OR SCHOOL HEARINGS

(By authority conferred on the liquor control commission by sections 215(1) and 503 of 1998 P.A. 58, MCL 436.1215(1) and 436.1503, and section 33 of 1969 P.A. 306, MCL 24.233))

R 436.1951 "Act" defined.

Rule 1.

As used in these rules, "act" means 1998 P.A. 58, MCL 436.1101 et seq.

History: 1979 AC; 2003 AACS

Editor's Note: An obvious error in R 436.1951 was corrected at the request of the promulgating agency, pursuant to Section 56 of 1969 PA 306, as amended by 2000 PA 262, MCL 24.256. The rule containing the error was published in Annual Administrative Code Supplement, 2003. The memorandum requesting the correction was published in Michigan Register, 2003 MR 11.

R 436.1953 Notice of application and proposed location.

Rule 3.

If the commission determines through investigation that the proposed location of an applicant is within 500 feet of a church or school, as those terms are defined in section 107 or 111 of the act, MCL 436.1107 or 436.1111, the representative of the church or the school shall be notified of the application and the proposed location if the applicant desires 1 of the following:

(a) A new license to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises or the transfer of location of an existing license to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises.
(b) A new specially designated distributor license or the transfer of location of an existing specially designated distributor license.
(c) A new specially designated merchant license in conjunction with a license to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises or the transfer of location of an existing specially designated merchant license in conjunction with a license to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises.

History: 1979 AC; 2003 AACS; 2025 MR 3, Eff. Feb. 3, 2025.

Editor's Note: An obvious error in R 436.1953 was corrected at the request of the promulgating agency, pursuant to Section 56 of 1969 PA 306, as amended by 2000 PA 262, MCL 24.256. The rule containing the error was published in Annual Administrative Code Supplement, 2003. The memorandum requesting the correction was published in Michigan Register, 2003 MR 11.

R 436.1955 Filing of objection; copy to applicant; scheduling hearing.

Rule 5.

(1) If the church or school objects to the issuance or transfer of location of the license, then the governing body of the church or school, by resolution, shall file the specific written objections with the Lansing office of the commission within 15 days of receipt of notification, unless granted additional time by the commission.
(2) Upon receipt of the objections, the commission shall send a copy of the objections to the applicant.
(3) The commission shall schedule a hearing pursuant to section 503 of the act within a reasonable period of time after receipt of the objections, unless the governing body of the church or school notifies the commission in writing that the objections have been resolved by the applicant and are being withdrawn.

History: 1979 AC; 2003 AACS.

R 436.1957 Notice of hearing; basis for conduct of hearing.

Rule 7.

(1) The governing body of the church or school and the applicant shall receive notice of the hearing not less than 7 days before it is held.
(2) The hearing shall be conducted on the basis of the objections filed by the church or school.

History: 1979 AC.

R 436.1959 Burden of proceeding, closing arguments.

Rule 9.

(1) The commission may, in its discretion, determine which party will have the burden of proceeding. The representative of the church or school may make the final argument.
(2) The representative of the church or school shall be prepared to show that the church or school that is objecting meets the definition of the terms defined in section 107 or 111 of the act, MCL 436.1107 or 436.1111.

History: 179 AC; 2003 AACS; 2025 MR 3, Eff. Feb. 3, 2025.

Editor's Note: An obvious error in R 436.1959 was corrected at the request of the promulgating agency, pursuant to Section 56 of 1969 PA 306, as amended by 2000 PA 262, MCL 24.256. The rule containing the error was published in Annual Administrative Code Supplement 2003. The memorandum requesting the correction was published in Michigan Register, 2015 MR 6.

R 436.1961 Hearing; procedures; findings of fact and conclusions of law.

Rule 11.

(1) The hearing shall be conducted pursuant to the procedures established for a contested case in Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended, being §24.201 et seq. of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
(2) The commission shall make findings of fact and conclusions of law.

History: 1954 ACS 87, Eff. Apr. 16, 1976; 1979 AC.

R 436.1963 Granting of the waiver.

Rule 13.

The commission shall waive the provisions of section 503 of the act where the applicant shows by competent, material and substantial evidence that a waiver of section 503 would not adversely affect the operation of the church or school.

History: 1954 ACS 87, Eff. Apr. 16, 1976; 1979 AC;-MR 10, Eff. May 30, 2003.

DECLARATORY RULINGS

(By authority conferred on the liquor control commission by section 7 of Act No. 8 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of 1933 and section 63 of Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, being §§436.7 and 24.263 of the Michigan Compiled Laws)

R 436.1971 Request for declaratory ruling; form; contents.

Rule 1.

(1) An interested person, hereinafter called a petitioner, who requests a declaratory ruling as to the applicability to an actual state of facts of a statute, rule, or order administered, promulgated, or issued by the commission shall do so in writing to the Lansing office of the commission.
(2) The written request shall contain the relevant and material facts, along with a reference to the statute, rule, or order applicable.

History: 1954 ACS 91, Eff. May 13, 1977; 1979 AC.

R 436.1973 Declaratory ruling; notice of issuance; request for information or arguments; hearing.

Rule 3.

(1) Upon receipt of a request for a declaratory ruling, the commission shall have 30 days within which to notify the petitioner if a declaratory ruling shall be issued.
(2) If the commission grants the request for a declaratory ruling, the commission:
    (a) May request more information from the petitioner.
    (b) May request information from other interested parties.
    (c) May request information from experts outside the commission.
    (d) May request oral or written arguments from interested parties.
    (e) May hold a hearing upon proper notice to all interested parties.
    (f) Shall issue its declaratory ruling within 90 days after the receipt of the initial request.

History: 1954 ACS 91, Eff. May 13, 1977; 1979 AC.

R 436.1975 Denial of request for declaratory ruling; reasons.

Rule 5.

If a request for a declaratory ruling is denied, the commission shall issue a concise written statement of its principal reasons for denial within 30 days of the denial.

History: 1954 ACS 91, Eff. May 13, 1977; 1979 AC.

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

(By authority conferred on the liquor control commission by sections 215(1) and 803 of 1998 P.A. 58, MCL 436.1215(1) and 436.1803)

R 436.2001 "Securities" defined.

Rule 1.

As used in these rules, "securities" means any of the following:

(a) Stocks or bonds registered by the securities and exchange commission or the office of financial and insurance services of the Michigan department of consumer and industry services which are offered for public sale in the state of Michigan and the values of which are regularly reported in a nationally recognized financial publication.
(b) Obligations of the United States, including bonds, notes, and bills.
(c) Obligations which are guaranteed fully as to principal and interest by the United States, except those requiring partial payment of principal.
(d) General obligations of the state of Michigan.
(e) Unlimited tax general obligation bonds of political subdivisions of the state which are payable directly from the levying of general ad valorem taxes without limitation as to rate or amount.
(f) An irrevocable trust which contains a guaranteed minimum corpus of $50,000.00, which has as trustee a financial institution registered in this state, and which provides for the state of Michigan as first beneficiary and claimant of a distribution of up to $50,000.00 from the trust to satisfy judgments arising from liability under section 801 of 1998 P.A. 58, MCL 436.1801.
(g) An irrevocable letter of credit or a certificate of deposit issued by a bank, savings bank, savings and loan association, or credit union which is licensed to do business in this state and which is pledged to the state of Michigan as first claimant for distribution of up to $50,000.00 to satisfy judgments arising from liability under section 801 of 1998 P.A. 58, MCL 436,1801.

History: 1988 MR 11, Eff. Dec. 1, 1988;--MR 10, Eff. May 30, 2003.

R 436.2003 "Unencumbered securities" defined.

Rule 3.

As used in these rules, "unencumbered securities" means securities that are free and clear of all liens and obligations, including their use as collateral, and upon filing with the commission are without claims or liabilities to third parties.

History: 1988 MR 11, Eff. Dec. 1, 1988.

R 436.2005 Forms.

Rule 5.

Retail licensees shall submit proof of financial responsibility on forms provided or approved by the commission.

History: 1988 MR 11, Eff. Dec. 1, 1988.

R 436.2007 Unencumbered securities; maintenance of value.

Rule 7.

(1) Each retail licensee who provides to the commission cash or unencumbered securities as proof of financial responsibility shall maintain the value of the cash or unencumbered securities at not less than $50,000.00 during the entire period in which the license is in effect. Securities shall not be

encumbered during any period in which they serve as proof of financial responsibility to the commission.

(2) The value of unencumbered securities shall be determined by the current market price as reported at the time of filing and thereafter in a nationally recognized financial publication or other reliable source as determined by the commission.

(3) If the market value of unencumbered securities provided to the commission as proof of financial responsibility falls below $50,000.00, the licensee shall immediately provide additional unencumbered securities or cash to the commission so as to restore, to not less than $50,000.00, the value of unencumbered securities and cash held by the commission. Failure to provide additional unencumbered securities or cash immediately shall result in the license being suspended until such time as additional unencumbered securities or cash has been provided to the commission.

History: 1988 MR 11, Eff. Dec. 1, 1988.

R 436.2009 Interest and dividends on cash and securities.

Rule 9.

Each retail licensee who deposits cash shall be entitled to payment of interest at the rate of 1% below the average interest rate earned by the state treasurer on short-term investments for each complete month that the cash is held by the commission. Interest payments shall be made quarterly. Any dividends or interest paid upon unencumbered securities and received by the commission shall be immediately transmitted to the licensee or licensee's agent.

History: 1988 MR 11, Eff. Dec. 1, 1988.

R 436.2011 Cash or unencumbered securities; payment of judgments.

Rule 11.

Cash or unencumbered securities which have been provided to the commission as proof of financial responsibility shall not be paid or released by the commission to any claimant to satisfy a judgment pursuant to section 801 of 1998 P.A. 58, MCL 436.1801, unless the commission receives a court order requiring the payment or release.

History: 1988 MR 11, Eff. Dec. 1, 1988;-MR 10, Eff. May 30, 2003.

R 436.2013 Cash or unencumbered securities; release.

Rule 13.

When the commission releases all or any portion of cash or unencumbered securities to a claimant, the retail licensee shall immediately provide additional cash or unencumbered securities to the commission so as to restore, to not less than $50,000.00, the total value of cash and unencumbered securities. If a licensee fails to provide additional cash or unencumbered securities, the license shall be suspended pursuant to the provisions of Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended, being §24.201 et seq. of the Michigan Compiled Laws, until such time as additional cash or unencumbered securities have been provided to the commission.

History: 1988 MR 11, Eff. Dec. 1, 1988.

R 436.2015 Cash or unencumbered securities; request for return.

Rule 15.

(1) Cash or unencumbered securities provided to the commission as proof of financial responsibility shall not be returned to the retail licensee unless either of the following conditions applies:
   (a) Two years have transpired since the date the license was transferred, revoked, cancelled, suspended, or placed in escrow with the commission.
   (b) Two years have transpired since the date the licensee provided another acceptable form of proof of financial responsibility.

(2) Notwithstanding subrule (1) of this rule, the commission shall not return cash or unencumbered securities provided by a retail licensee as proof of financial responsibility during the pendancy of any civil suit against the licensee alleging liability pursuant to section 801 of 1998 P.A. 58, MCL 436.1801, if the alleged liability occurred after April 1, 1988, but during the period in which the licensee had provided the cash or unencumbered securities as proof of financial responsibility.

(3) The commission shall not return, to any retail licensee, cash or unencumbered securities provided as proof of financial responsibility unless the retail licensee first certifies to the commission, in writing, that a civil suit is not pending against the licensee alleging liability pursuant to section 801 of 1998 P.A. 58, MCL 436.1801, during the period in which the licensee had provided the cash or unencumbered securities as proof of financial responsibility.

History: 1988 MR 11, Eff. Dec. 1, 1988;-MR 10, Eff. May 30, 2003.

R 436.2017 Failure to provide proof of financial responsibility.

Rule 17.

If at any time a retail licensee fails to maintain proof of financial responsibility as required by section 803 of 1998 P.A. 58, MCL 436.1803, the license shall be immediately suspended pursuant to the provisions of 1969 P.A. 306, MCL 24.201 et seq., until such time as the licensee provides to the commission proof of financial responsibility as required by section 803 of 1998 P.A. 58, MCL 436.1803.

History: 1988 MR 11, Eff. Dec. 1, 1988;-MR 10, Eff. May 30, 2003.

R 436.2019 Constant value bond; requirements.

Rule 19.

(1) A retail licensee who provides a constant value bond as proof of financial responsibility shall not cancel such bond, except upon 30 days' prior written notice to the commission. Unless new proof of financial responsibility is obtained by the retail licensee and delivered to the commission before the expiration of the 30-day period, the license of that licensee shall be suspended until such time as another acceptable proof of financial responsibility is provided to the commission.

(2) A surety company which has issued a constant value bond of not less than $50,000.00 as proof of financial responsibility shall notify the commission, in writing, not less than 30 days before termination or cancellation of the bond.

History: 1988 MR 11, Eff. Dec. 1, 1988.

R 436.2021 Failure to provide proof of financial responsibility; hearings; revocation.

Rule 21.

A retail license shall not be revoked or suspended without due process for failure to provide proof of financial responsibility, including an expedited hearing pursuant to the provisions to Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended, being §24.201 et seq. of the Michigan Compiled Laws. A retail license shall not be revoked or suspended because of the licensee's failure to provide proof of financial responsibility, if the proof had been subsequently provided before the commission's final revocation or suspension order.

History: 1988 MR 11, Eff. Dec. 1, 1988.

RELATED LAWS & ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

BEVERAGE CONTAINERS
Initiated Law of 1976

445.571 Definitions.

Sec. 1.

As used is this act:

(a) "Beverage" means a soft drink, soda water, carbonated natural or mineral water, or other nonalcoholic carbonated drink; beer, ale, or other malt drink of whatever alcoholic content; or a mixed wine drink or a mixed spirit drink.

(b) "Beverage container" means an airtight metal, glass, paper, or plastic container, or a container composed of a combination of these materials, which, at the time of sale, contains 1 gallon or less of a beverage.

(c) "Empty returnable container" means a beverage container which contains nothing except the residue of its original contents.

(d) "Returnable container" means a beverage container upon which a deposit of at least 10 cents has been paid, or is required to be paid upon the removal of the container from the sale or consumption area, and for which a refund of at least 10 cents in cash is payable by every dealer or distributor in this state of that beverage in beverage containers, as further provided in section 2.

(e) "Nonreturnable container" means a beverage container upon which no deposit or a deposit of less than 10 cents has been paid, or is required to be paid upon the removal of the container from the sale or consumption area, or for which no cash refund or a refund of less than 10 cents is payable by a dealer or distributor in this state of that beverage in beverage containers, as further provided in section 2.

(f) "Person" means an individual, partnership, corporation, association, or other legal entity.

(g) "Dealer" means a person who sells or offers for sale to consumers within this state a beverage in a beverage container, including an operator of a vending machine containing a beverage in a beverage container.

(h) "Operator of a vending machine" means equally its owner, the person who refills it, and the owner or lessee of the property upon which it is located.

(i) "Distributor" means a person who sells beverages in beverage containers to a dealer within this state, and includes a manufacturer who engages in such sales.

(j) "Manufacturer" means a person who bottles, cans, or otherwise places beverages in beverage containers for sale to distributors, dealers, or consumers.

(k) "Within this state" means within the exterior limits of the state of Michigan, and includes the territory within these limits owned by or ceded to the United States of America.

(l) "Commission" means the Michigan liquor control commission.

(m) "Sale or consumption area" means the premises within the property of the dealer or of the dealer's lessor where the sale is made, within which beverages in returnable containers may be consumed without payment of a deposit, and, upon removing a beverage container from which, the customer is required by the dealer to pay the deposit.

(n) "Nonrefillable container" means a returnable container which is not intended to be refilled for sale by a manufacturer.

(o) "Mixed wine drink" means a drink or similar product marketed as a wine cooler and containing less than 7% alcohol by volume, consisting of wine and plain, sparkling, or carbonated water and containing any 1 or more of the following:
   (i) Nonalcoholic beverages.
   (ii) Flavoring.
   (iii) Coloring materials.
   (iv) Fruit juices.
   (v) Fruit adjuncts.
   (vi) Sugar.
   (vii) Carbon dioxide.
   (viii) Preservatives.

(p) “Mixed spirit drink” means a drink containing 10% or less alcohol by volume consisting of distilled spirits mixed with nonalcoholic beverages or flavoring or coloring materials and which may also contain water, fruit juices, fruit adjuncts, sugar, carbon dioxide, or preservatives; or any spirits based beverage, regardless of the percent of alcohol by volume, that is manufactured for sale in a metal container.

History: 1976, Initiated Law 1, Eff. Dec. 3, 1978; -- Am. 1982, Act 39, Imd. Eff. Mar. 16, 1982; -- Am. 1982, Act 266, Imd. Eff. Oct. 5, 1982; -- Am. 1986, Act 235, Eff. June 1, 1989; -- Am. 1989, Act 93, Imd. Eff. June 20, 1989

Popular Name: Bottle Bill

445.571a "Container composed of a combination of these materials" defined.

Sec. 1a.

As used in section 1, “container composed of a combination of these materials” does not include a container that, when filled, is designed and intended to be frozen and is composed in whole or in part of aluminum and plastic or aluminum and paper in combination, if the aluminum content represents 20% or less of the unfilled container weight and the weight of the container materials represents 5% or less of the total weight of the filled container.

History: Add. 2012, Act 213, Imd. Eff. June 27, 2012

445.572 Nonreturnable containers; prohibitions; means for return and refund; regional redemption centers; acceptance of containers and payment of refunds; indicating refund value and name of State on container; exception; metal containers with detachable parts prohibited; deposit previously refunded; refund upon reuse; maximum daily refund; agreement on deposit; refund by manufacturer.

Sec. 2.

(1) A dealer within this state shall not sell, offer for sale, or give to a consumer a nonreturnable container or a beverage in a nonreturnable container.
(2) A dealer who regularly sells beverages for consumption off the dealer’s premises shall provide on the premises, or within 100 yards of the premises on which the dealer sells or offers for sale a beverage in a returnable container, a convenient means whereby the containers of any kind, size, and brand sold or offered for sale by the dealer may be returned by, and the deposit refunded in cash to, a person whether or not the person is the original customer of that dealer, and whether or not the container was sold by that dealer.
(3) Regional centers for redemption of returnable containers may be established, in addition to but not as substitutes for, the means established for refunds of deposits prescribed in subsection (2).
(4) Except as provided in subsections (5) and (7), a dealer shall accept from a person an empty returnable container of any kind, size, and brand sold or offered for sale by that dealer and pay to that person its full refund value in cash.
(5) A dealer who does not require a deposit on a returnable container when the contents are consumed in the dealer’s sale or consumption area is not required to pay a refund for accepting that empty container.
(6) Except as provided in subsection (7), a distributor shall accept from a dealer an empty returnable container of any kind, size, and brand sold or offered for sale by that distributor and pay to the dealer its full refund value in cash.
(7) Each beverage container sold or offered for sale by a dealer within this state shall clearly indicate by embossing or by a stamp, a label, or other method securely affixed to the beverage container, the refund value of the container and the name of this state. A dealer or distributor may, but is not required to, refuse to accept from a person an empty returnable container which does not state on the container the refund value of the container and the name of this state. This subsection does not apply to a refillable container having a refund value of not less than 10 cents, having a brand name permanently marked on it, and having a securely affixed method of indicating that it is a returnable container.
(8) A dealer within this state shall not sell, offer for sale, or give to consumers a metal beverage container, any part of which becomes detached when opened.

(9) A person, dealer, distributor, or manufacturer shall not return an empty returnable container to a dealer for a refund of the deposit if a dealer has already refunded the deposit on that returnable container. This subsection does not prohibit a dealer from refunding the deposit on an empty returnable container each time the returnable container is sanitized by the manufacturer and reused as a beverage container.

(10) A dealer may accept, but is not required to accept, from a person, empty returnable containers for a refund in excess of $25.00 on any given day.

(11) A manufacturer licensed by the commission shall not require a distributor licensed by the commission to pay a deposit to the manufacturer on a nonrefillable container. However, a manufacturer licensed by the commission and a distributor licensed by the commission may enter into an agreement providing that either or both may originate a deposit or any portion of a deposit on a nonrefillable container if the agreement is entered into freely and without coercion.

(12) A manufacturer shall refund the deposit paid on any container returned by a distributor for which a deposit has been paid by a distributor to the manufacturer.

(13) Subsections (4), (6), and (7) apply only to a returnable container that was originally sold in this state as a filled returnable container.

History: 1976, Initiated Law, Eff. Dec. 3, 1978; - Am. 1977, Act 270, Eff. Mar. 30, 1978; - Am. 1982, Act 39, Imd. Eff. Mar. 16, 1982; - Am. 1982, Act 266, Imd. Eff. Oct. 5, 1982; - Am. 1986, Act 235, Eff. June 1, 1989;-Am. 1998, Act 473, Eff. Apr. 1, 1999.

445.572a Designated metal, glass, or plastic containers; sale or offer of sale of certain beverages; requirements; violations; definitions.

Sec. 2a.

(1) Except as provided in subsection (2), beginning 90 days after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this section, a manufacturer of nonalcoholic beverages shall not sell, offer for sale, or give a nonalcoholic beverage to a consumer, dealer, or distributor in this state in a 12-ounce metal beverage container that is not a designated metal container if either of the following is met:
   (a) Sales of that brand of beverage in 12-ounce metal beverage containers in this state in the preceding calendar year were at least 500,000 cases, as determined by the department of treasury.
   (b) Sales of that brand of beverage in 12-ounce metal beverage containers in this state in the preceding calendar year were fewer than 500,000 cases, and 12-ounce metal beverage containers of that brand of beverage were overredeemed by more than 600,000 containers in the preceding calendar year, as determined by the department of treasury.

(2) Beginning 90 days after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this section, a manufacturer of nonalcoholic beverages shall not sell, offer for sale, or give a nonalcoholic beverage to a consumer, dealer, or distributor in the Upper Peninsula in a 12-ounce metal beverage container that is not a designated metal container if either of the following is met:
   (a) Sales of that brand of beverage in 12-ounce metal beverage containers in the Upper Peninsula were at least 500,000 cases, as determined by the department of treasury.
   (b) Sales of that brand of beverage in 12-ounce metal beverage containers in the Upper Peninsula in the preceding calendar year were fewer than 500,000 cases, and 12-ounce metal beverage containers of that brand of beverage were overredeemed in the Upper Peninsula by more than 600,000 containers in the preceding calendar year, as determined by the department of treasury.

(3) Except as provided in subsection (4), beginning 450 days after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this section, a manufacturer of nonalcoholic beverages shall not sell, offer for sale, or give a nonalcoholic beverage to a consumer, dealer, or distributor in this state in a 12-ounce glass beverage container that is not a designated glass container if either of the following is met:
   (a) Sales of that brand of beverage in 12-ounce glass beverage containers in this state in the preceding calendar year were at least 500,000 cases, as determined by the department of treasury.
   (b) Sales of that brand of beverage in 12-ounce glass beverage containers in this state in the preceding calendar year were fewer than 500,000 cases, and 12-ounce glass beverage containers of that brand of beverage were overredeemed by more than 600,000 containers in the preceding calendar year, as determined by the department of treasury.

(4) Beginning 450 days after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this section, a manufacturer of nonalcoholic beverages shall not sell, offer for sale, or give a nonalcoholic

beverage to a consumer, dealer, or distributor in the Upper Peninsula in a 12-ounce glass beverage container that is not a designated glass container if either of the following is met:

(a) Sales of that brand of beverage in 12-ounce glass beverage containers in the Upper Peninsula were at least 500,000 cases, as determined by the department of treasury.

(b) Sales of that brand of beverage in 12-ounce glass beverage containers in the Upper Peninsula in the preceding calendar year were fewer than 500,000 cases, and 12-ounce glass beverage containers of that brand of beverage were overredeemed in the Upper Peninsula by more than 600,000 containers in the preceding calendar year, as determined by the department of treasury.

(5) Except as provided in subsection (6), beginning 450 days after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this section, a manufacturer of nonalcoholic beverages shall not sell, offer for sale, or give a nonalcoholic beverage to a consumer, dealer, or distributor in this state in a 20-ounce plastic beverage container that is not a designated plastic container if either of the following is met:

(a) Sales of that brand of beverage in 20-ounce plastic beverage containers in this state in the preceding calendar year were at least 500,000 cases, as determined by the department of treasury.

(b) Sales of that brand of beverage in 20-ounce plastic beverage containers in this state in the preceding calendar year were fewer than 500,000 cases, and 20-ounce plastic beverage containers of that brand of beverage were overredeemed by more than 600,000 containers in the preceding calendar year, as determined by the department of treasury.

(6) Beginning 450 days after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this section, a manufacturer of nonalcoholic beverages shall not sell, offer for sale, or give a nonalcoholic beverage to a consumer, dealer, or distributor in the Upper Peninsula in a 20-ounce plastic beverage container that is not a designated plastic container if either of the following is met:

(a) Sales of that brand of beverage in 20-ounce plastic beverage containers in the Upper Peninsula were at least 500,000 cases, as determined by the department of treasury.

(b) Sales of that brand of beverage in 20-ounce plastic beverage containers in the Upper Peninsula in the preceding calendar year were fewer than 500,000 cases, and 20-ounce plastic beverage containers of that brand of beverage were overredeemed in the Upper Peninsula by more than 600,000 containers in the preceding calendar year, as determined by the department of treasury.

(7) Beginning 90 days after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this section, a manufacturer of alcoholic beverages shall not sell, offer for sale, or give an alcoholic beverage to a consumer, dealer, or distributor in this state in a 12-ounce metal beverage container that is not a designated metal container if either of the following is met:

(a) Sales of that brand of beverage in this state in the preceding calendar year were at least 500,000 case equivalents, as determined by the department of treasury.

(b) Sales of that brand of beverage in this state in the preceding calendar year were fewer than 500,000 case equivalents, and beverage containers of that brand of beverage were overredeemed by more than 600,000 containers in the preceding calendar year, as determined by the department of treasury.

(8) Beginning 450 days after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this section, a manufacturer of alcoholic beverages shall not sell, offer for sale, or give an alcoholic beverage to a consumer, dealer, or distributor in this state in a 12-ounce glass beverage container that is not a designated glass container if either of the following is met:

(a) Sales of that brand of beverage in this state in the preceding calendar year were at least 500,000 case equivalents, as determined by the department of treasury.

(b) Sales of that brand of beverage in this state in the preceding calendar year were fewer than 500,000 case equivalents, and beverage containers of that brand of beverage were overredeemed by more than 600,000 containers in the preceding calendar year, as determined by the department of treasury.

(9) Beginning 450 days after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this section, a manufacturer of alcoholic beverages shall not sell, offer for sale, or give an alcoholic beverage to a consumer, dealer, or distributor in this state in a 20-ounce plastic beverage container that is not a designated plastic container if either of the following is met:

(a) Sales of that brand of beverage in this state in the preceding calendar year were at least 500,000 case equivalents, as determined by the department of treasury.

(b) Sales of that brand of beverage in this state in the preceding calendar year were fewer than 500,000 case equivalents, and beverage containers of that brand of beverage were

overredeemed by more than 600,000 containers in the preceding calendar year, as determined by the department of treasury.

(10) A symbol, mark, or other distinguishing characteristic that is placed on a designated metal container, designated glass container, or designated plastic container by a manufacturer to allow a reverse vending machine to determine if that container is a returnable container must be unique to this state, or used only in this state and 1 or more other states that have laws substantially similar to this act.

(11) A person that violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 180 days or a fine of not more than $2,000.00, or both. Section 4 does not apply to a violation described in this subsection.

(12) As used in this section:

(a) "Alcoholic beverage" means beer, ale, any other malt drink of whatever alcoholic content, a mixed wine drink, or a mixed spirit drink.

(b) "Brand" means any word, name, group of letters, symbol, or trademark, or any combination of them, adopted and used by a manufacturer to identify a specific flavor or type of beverage and to distinguish that flavor or type of beverage from another beverage produced or marketed by that manufacturer or another manufacturer.

(c) "Designated glass container" means a 12-ounce glass beverage container that contains a symbol, mark, or other distinguishing characteristic that allows a reverse vending machine to determine if the beverage container is or is not a returnable container.

(d) "Designated metal container" means a 12-ounce metal beverage container that contains a symbol, mark, or other distinguishing characteristic that allows a reverse vending machine to determine if the beverage container is or is not a returnable container.

(e) "Designated plastic container" means a 20-ounce plastic beverage container that contains a symbol, mark, or other distinguishing characteristic that allows a reverse vending machine to determine if the beverage container is or is not a returnable container.

(f) "Glass beverage container" means a beverage container composed primarily of glass.

(g) "Metal beverage container" means a beverage container composed primarily of metal.

(h) "Nonalcoholic beverage" means a soft drink, soda water, carbonated natural or mineral water, or other nonalcoholic carbonated drink.

(i) "Plastic beverage container" means a beverage container composed primarily of plastic.

(j) "Reverse vending machine" means a device designed to properly identify and process empty beverage containers and provide a means for a deposit refund on returnable containers.

History: Add. 2008, Act 389, Eff. Dec. 1, 2009

Compiler's Notes: Enacting section 1 of Act 389 of 2008 provides: "Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect on the date that deposits into the beverage container redemption antifraud fund created in the beverage container redemption antifraud act from money appropriated by the legislature equal or exceed $1,000,000.00."

445.573 Certification of beverage containers.

Sec. 3.

(1) To promote the use in this state of reusable beverage containers of uniform design, and to facilitate the return of containers to manufacturers for reuse as a beverage container, the commission shall certify beverage containers which satisfy the requirements of this section.

(2) A beverage container shall be certified if:

(a) It is reusable as a beverage container by more than 1 manufacturer in the ordinary course of business.

(b) More than 1 manufacturer will in the ordinary course of business accept the beverage container for reuse as a beverage container and pay the refund value of the container.

(3) The commission shall not certify more than 1 beverage container of a particular manufacturer in each size classification. The commission shall by rule establish appropriate size classifications in accordance with the purposes set forth in subsection (1), each of which shall include a size range of at least 3 liquid ounces.

(4) A beverage container shall not be certified under this section:

(a) If by reason of its shape or design, or by reason of words or symbols permanently inscribed thereon, whether by engraving, embossing, painting, or other permanent method, it is reusable as a beverage container in the ordinary course of business only by a manufacturer of a beverage sold under a specific brand name.

(b) If the commission finds that its use by more than 1 manufacturer is not of sufficient volume to promote the purposes set forth in subsection (1).

(5) Unless an application for certification under this section is denied by the commission within 60 days after the application is filed, the beverage container shall be deemed certified.

(6) The commission may at any time review certification of a beverage container. If, upon the review, after written notice and hearing afforded to the person who filed the original application for certification of the beverage container under this section, the commission determines that the beverage container is no longer qualified for certification, it shall withdraw certification. Withdrawal of certification shall be effective on a date specified by the commission, but not less than 30 days after written notice to the person who filed the original application for certification of the beverage container under this section, and to the manufacturer referred to in subsection (2).

History: 1976, Initiated Law 1, Eff. Dec. 3, 1978

Admin Rule: R 445.1 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.

445.573a Report; filing; form and contents.

Sec. 3a.

(1) Not later than March 1, 1991 and not later than March 1 of each year thereafter, a distributor or manufacturer who originates a deposit on a beverage container shall file a report with the department of treasury containing the information required by subsection (2).

(2) The report required to be filed pursuant to subsection (1) shall indicate for the period of January 1, 1990 to December 31, 1990, and for the time period of January 1 to December 31 of each year thereafter, the dollar value of both the total deposits collected by the distributor or manufacturer on beverage containers sold within this state and total refunds made upon beverage containers redeemed by the distributor or manufacturer within this state.

(3) The reports required to be filed pursuant to subsection (1) shall be similar to the following and contain the following information:

REPORT
DEPOSITS ORIGINATED AND REFUNDS GRANTED ON BEVERAGE CONTAINERS
Reporting Period:_____
Company Name: _____
Company Address: _____
Number and Street
_____
City, State, Zip
$_____-$_____=$
_____
(Value of Deposits Originated) (Value of Refunds Made) (Difference)
$_____-
$_____=$_____
(Difference) (Overredemption credit, (Amount owed to if applicable) department of treasury)
The undersigned states that the above information is true and accurate.
_____
Signature - Owner or President
_____
Date

History: Add. 1989, Act 148, Eff. July 27, 1989.

445.573b Unclaimed bottle deposits; audit, assessment, and collection by department of treasury; payment by under redeemer; over redemption credit; applying credit against prior years; definitions; report.

Sec. 3b.

(1) The department of treasury may audit, assess, and collect the amount of money reflecting unclaimed bottle deposits owed to this state, and enforce the obligation to pay the amount of money reflecting unclaimed bottle deposits owed to this state, in the same manner as revenues and according to the provisions of 1941 PA 122, MCL 205.1 to 205.31.

(2) Not later than March 1, 1991 and not later than March 1 of each year thereafter, an underredeemer shall pay to the department of treasury that amount of money by which its annual total value of deposits exceeds its annual total value of refunds made on redeemed beverage containers, subject to the overredemption credit contained in this section.

(3) After March 1, 1991, an underredeemer who becomes an overredeemer in a subsequent year may credit the value of the overredemption in order to reduce the amount of money owed to the department of treasury under this section in 1 or more subsequent years as a result of that person again becoming an underredeemer. The value of the overredemption may be carried forward for not more than 3 years or until the credit granted in this section is completely depleted, whichever occurs first.

(4) A manufacturer who no longer originates deposits may carry the value of an overredemption back for prior years in order to utilize its credit, and reduce the amount of underredemption owed to the department of treasury under this section on a 1-time basis only. Utilization of this 1-time credit may be applied against underredemption amounts owed for reporting years commencing in 1990.

(5) As used in this section:
   (a) "Overredeemer" means a distributor or manufacturer whose annual total value of deposits collected on beverage containers sold within this state is less than the annual total value of refunds made upon beverage containers redeemed within this state.
   (b) "Underredeemer" means a distributor or manufacturer whose annual total value of deposits collected on beverage containers sold within this state exceeds annual total value of refunds made upon beverage containers redeemed within this state.

(6) In addition to the report prescribed in section 3a, if an underredeemer purchases empty returnable containers from an overredeemer, that purchase shall be reported by the underredeemer as a "refund made" and shall be reported by the overredeemer as a "deposit originated" in the report prescribed by section 3a. The report made by an underredeemer shall include the name and address of each overredeemer and the refund value of the empty returnable beverage containers purchased from each overredeemer. The report made by an overredeemer shall include the name and address of each underredeemer who purchased the returnable containers from that overredeemer and the refund value of the empty returnable beverage containers sold. The total consideration paid by an underredeemer to an overredeemer as authorized by this subsection shall equal the redemption value of the container.

(7) A purchase or sale made under subsection (6) during January of each year shall be included in the report for the previous calendar year only.

History: Add. 1989, Act 148, Eff. July 27, 1989;-Am. 1996, Act 384, Imd. Eff. July 23, 1996;-Am. 1998, Act 473, Eff. Apr. 1, 1999.

445.573c Bottle deposit fund; creation; administration; deposits; annual disbursement; report of information; rules.

Sec. 3c.

(1) There is created in the department of treasury a bottle deposit fund which is a revolving fund administered by the department of treasury. The money in the bottle deposit fund shall not revert to the general fund.

(2) The amount paid to the department of treasury by underredeemers shall be deposited by the department of treasury in the bottle deposit fund created in subsection (1) for annual disbursement by the department of treasury in the following manner:
   (a) Seventy-five percent to the cleanup and redevelopment trust fund created in section 3e.

(b) Twenty-five percent to dealers to be apportioned to each dealer on the basis of the number of empty returnable containers handled by a dealer as determined by the department of treasury.

(3) Not later than June 1 of each year, the department of treasury shall publish and make available to the public information related to section 3b(1) and send a report of that information to the legislature.

(4) The department of treasury may promulgate rules to implement sections 3a to 3d pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, being sections 24.201 to 24.328 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, if the department of treasury determines that rules are needed to properly implement and administer sections 3a to 3d.

History: Add. 1989, Act 148, Eff. July 27, 1989;-Am. 1996, Act 73, Eff. Feb. 26, 1996;-Am. 1996, Act 384, Imd. Eff. July 23, 1996.

445.573d Unclaimed deposits.

Sec. 3d.

Unclaimed deposits on returnable containers are considered to be the property of the person purchasing the returnable container and are not the property of the distributor or manufacturer who originated the deposit.

History: Add. 1989, Act 148, Eff. July 27, 1989.

445.573e Cleanup and redevelopment fund.

Sec. 3e

(1) The cleanup and redevelopment trust fund is created within the state treasury.

(2) The state treasurer may receive money or other assets from any source for deposit into the trust fund. The state treasurer shall direct the investment of the trust fund. The state treasurer shall credit to the trust fund interest and earnings from fund investments.

(3) Money in the trust fund at the close of the fiscal year shall remain in the trust fund and shall not lapse to the general fund.

(4) The state treasurer shall annually disburse the following amounts from the trust fund:

(a) For each of the state fiscal years 1996-1997, 1997-1998, and 1998-1999, up to $15,000,000.00 each year of money in the trust fund to the cleanup and redevelopment fund created in section 20108 of part 201 (environmental remediation) of the natural resources and environmental protection act, Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, being section 324.20108 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(b) In addition to the disbursements under subdivision (a), each state fiscal year, 80% of the revenues received by the trust fund from disbursements under section 3c to the cleanup and redevelopment fund and 10% to the community pollution prevention fund created in section 3f.

(5) All money in the trust fund that is not disbursed pursuant to subsection (4) shall remain in the trust fund until the trust fund reaches an accumulated principal of $200,000,000.00. After the trust fund reaches an accumulated principal of $200,000,000.00, interest and earnings of the trust fund only shall be expended, upon appropriation, for the purposes specified in section 20113(4) of part 201 (environmental remediation) of the natural resources and environmental protection act, Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, being section 324.20113 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(6) As used in this section, “trust fund” means the cleanup and redevelopment trust fund created in subsection (1).

History: Add. 1996, Act 384, July 23, 1996.

445.573f Community pollution prevention fund.

Sec. 3f.

(1) The community pollution prevention fund is created within the state treasury.

(2) The state treasurer may receive money or other assets from any source for deposit into the community pollution prevention fund. The state treasurer shall direct the investment of the community pollution prevention fund. The state treasurer shall credit to the community pollution prevention fund interest and earnings from fund investments.

(3) Money in the community pollution prevention fund at the close of the fiscal year shall remain in the community pollution prevention fund and shall not lapse to the general fund.
(4) The department of environmental quality shall expend interest and earnings of the community pollution prevention fund only, upon appropriation, for grants for the purpose of preventing pollution, with an emphasis on the prevention of groundwater contamination and resulting risks to the public health, ecological risks, and public and private cleanup costs. The department of environmental quality shall enter into contractual agreements with grant recipients, who shall include county governments, local health departments, municipalities, and regional planning agencies. Activities to be performed by grant recipients and program objectives and deliverables shall be specified in the contractual agreements. Grant recipients shall provide a financial match of not less than 25% nor more than 50%. Not more than $100,000.00 may be granted in any fiscal year to a single recipient. Eligible pollution prevention activities include all of the following:
    (a) Drinking water wellhead protection, including the delineation of wellhead protection areas and implementation of wellhead protection plans pursuant to the safe drinking water act, Act No. 399 of the Public Acts of 1976, being sections 325.1001 to 325.1023 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
    (b) The review of pollution incident prevention plans prepared by, and the inspection of, facilities whose storage or handling of hazardous materials may pose a risk to the groundwater.
    (c) The identification and plugging of abandoned wells other than oil and gas wells.
    (d) Programs to educate the general public and businesses that use or handle hazardous materials on pollution prevention methods, technologies, and processes, with an emphasis on the direct reduction of toxic material releases or disposal at the source.
(5) The department of environmental quality shall annually prepare a report summarizing the grants made under this section, contractual commitments made and achieved, and a preliminary evaluation of the effectiveness of this section not later than September 30, 1997, and September 30 of each year thereafter, and shall provide a copy of this report to the chairs of the house and senate appropriations subcommittees for the department of environmental quality.

History: Add. 1996, Act 384, Imd. Eff. July 23, 1996.

445.574 Violation; penalty; separate offense.

Sec. 4.

Except as provided in sections 4a and 4b, a person, dealer, distributor, or manufacturer who violates this act is subject to a fine of not less than $100.00 or more than $1,000.00 and is liable for the costs of prosecution. Each day a violation occurs, a separate offense is committed.

History: 1976, Initiated Law, Eff. Dec. 3, 1978; - Am. 1982, Act 39, Imd. Eff. Mar. 16, 1982;-Am. 1998, Act 473, Eff. Apr. 1, 1999.

445.574a Prohibited return to dealer, distributor, or manufacturer; violation; penalty; exceptions; restitution; action brought by attorney general or county prosecutor.

Sec. 4a.

(1) A person shall not return or attempt to return to a dealer for a refund 1 or more of the following:
    (a) A beverage container that the person knows or should know was not purchased in this state as a filled returnable container.
    (b) A beverage container that the person knows or should know did not have a deposit paid for it at the time of purchase.
(2) A person who violates subsection (1) is subject to 1 of the following:
    (a) If the person returns 25 or more but not more than 100 nonreturnable containers, the person may be ordered to pay a civil fine of not more than $100.00.
    (b) If the person returns more than 100 but fewer than 10,000 nonreturnable containers, or violates subdivision (a) for a second or subsequent time, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 93 days or a fine of not more than $1,000.00, or both.
    (c) If the person returns more than 100 but fewer than 10,000 nonreturnable containers for a

second or subsequent time, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 1 year or a fine of not more than $2,000.00, or both.

(d) If the person returns 10,000 or more nonreturnable containers, the person is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 5 years or a fine of not more than $5,000.00, or both.

(3) A dealer shall not knowingly accept from and pay a deposit to a person for a nonreturnable container or knowingly deliver a nonreturnable container to a distributor for a refund. A dealer that violates this subsection is subject to 1 of the following:

(a) If the dealer knowingly accepts from and pays a deposit on 25 or more but not more than 100 nonreturnable containers to a person, or knowingly delivers 25 or more but not more than 100 nonreturnable containers to a distributor for a refund, the dealer may be ordered to pay a civil fine of not more than $100.00.

(b) If the dealer knowingly accepts from and pays a deposit on more than 100 but fewer than 10,000 nonreturnable containers to a person, or knowingly delivers more than 100 but fewer than 10,000 nonreturnable containers to a distributor for a refund, the dealer is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 93 days or a fine of not more than $1,000.00, or both.

(c) If the dealer knowingly accepts from and pays a deposit on more than 100 but fewer than 10,000 nonreturnable containers to a person, or knowingly delivers more than 100 but fewer than 10,000 nonreturnable containers to a distributor for a refund, for a second or subsequent time, the dealer is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 1 year or a fine of not more than $2,000.00, or both.

(d) If the dealer knowingly accepts from and pays a deposit on 10,000 or more nonreturnable containers to a person, or knowingly delivers 10,000 or more nonreturnable containers to a distributor for a refund, the dealer is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 5 years or a fine of not more than $5,000.00, or both.

(4) A distributor shall not knowingly accept from and pay a deposit to a dealer for a nonreturnable container or knowingly deliver a nonreturnable container to a manufacturer for a refund. A distributor that violates this subsection is subject to 1 of the following:

(a) If the distributor knowingly accepts from and pays a deposit on 25 or more but not more than 100 nonreturnable containers to a dealer, or knowingly delivers 25 or more but not more than 100 nonreturnable containers to a manufacturer for a refund, the distributor may be ordered to pay a civil fine of not more than $100.00.

(b) If the distributor knowingly accepts from and pays a deposit on more than 100 but fewer than 10,000 nonreturnable containers to a dealer, or knowingly delivers more than 100 but fewer than 10,000 nonreturnable containers to a manufacturer for a refund, the distributor is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 93 days or a fine of not more than $1,000.00, or both.

(c) If the distributor knowingly accepts from and pays a deposit on more than 100 but fewer than 10,000 nonreturnable containers to a dealer, or knowingly delivers more than 100 but fewer than 10,000 nonreturnable containers to a manufacturer for a refund, for a second or subsequent time, the distributor is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 1 year or a fine of not more than $2,000.00, or both.

(d) If the distributor knowingly accepts from and pays a deposit on 10,000 or more nonreturnable containers to a dealer, or knowingly delivers 10,000 or more nonreturnable containers to a manufacturer for a refund, the distributor is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 5 years or a fine of not more than $5,000.00, or both.

(5) A dealer or distributor does not violate subsection (3) or (4) if all of the following conditions are met:

(a) An employee of the dealer or distributor commits an act that violates subsection (3) or (4).

(b) At the time the employee commits the act that violates subsection (3) or (4), the dealer or distributor had in force a written policy prohibiting its employees from knowingly redeeming nonreturnable containers.

(c) The dealer or distributor did not or should not have known of the employee's act in violation of subsection (3) or (4).

(6) In addition to the penalty described in this section, the court shall order a person found guilty of a misdemeanor or felony under this section to pay restitution equal to the amount of loss caused by the violation.

(7) The attorney general or a county prosecutor may bring an action to recover a civil fine under this section. A civil fine imposed under this section is payable to this state and shall be credited to the general fund.

History: Added 1998, Act 473, Eff. Apr. 1, 1999;-Am. 2008, Act 384, Eff. March 31, 2009.

445.574b Posting notice on dealer's premises; failure to comply; penalty.

Sec. 4b.

(1) In that portion of the dealer's premises where returnable containers are redeemed, a dealer shall post a notice that says substantially the following: "A person who returns out-of-state nonreturnable containers for a refund is subject to penalties of up to 5 years in jail, a fine of $5,000.00, and restitution."
(2) A dealer who fails to comply with this section is subject to a fine of not more than $50.00.

History: Added 1998, Act 473, Eff. Apr. 1, 1999-Am. 2008, Act 385, Eff. March 31, 2009.

445.575 Repeal of 445.191.

Sec. 5.

Act No. 142 of the Public Acts of 1971, being section 445.191 of the Compiled Laws of 1970, is repealed.

History: 1976, Initiated Law, Eff. Dec. 3, 1978

445.576 Effective date.

Sec. 6.

This act shall take effect two years after it becomes law.

History: 1976, Initiated Law, Eff. Dec. 3, 1978

SIZE CLASSIFICATION RULES

(By authority conferred on the liquor control commission by section 3 of the Initiated Law of 1976, being §445.573 of the Michigan Compiled Laws)

R 445.1 Definitions.

Rule 1.

(1) As used in these rules "act" means the Initiated Law of 1976, being §445.571 et seq. of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
(2) The terms defined in the act have the same meaning when used in these rules, unless otherwise indicated.

History: 1954 ACS 97, Eff. Dec. 8, 1978; 1979 AC.

R 445.3 Size classifications.

Rule 3.

(1) The commission may certify beverage containers for beverages other than beer, ale, or other malt drink of whatever alcoholic content.
(2) The commission may certify beverage containers in 1 of the following size classifications: 7 oz.; 12 oz.; 16 oz.; 32 oz.; 64 oz.; 128 oz.; 2 liters.
(3) Additional size classifications may be certified if the beverage container is in compliance with section 2(7) and section 3(2), (3), and (4) of the act.

History: 1954 ACS 97, Eff. Dec. 8, 1978; 1979 AC.

BEVERAGE CONTAINER REDEMPTION ANTIFRAUD ACT
Act 388 of 2008

AN ACT to provide state payments to reverse vending machine manufacturers for the cost of retrofitting certain reverse vending machines; to provide money to certain dealers for the purchase of certain new reverse vending machines; to create the beverage container redemption antifraud fund; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain state governmental officers and entities.

History: 2008, Act 388, Imd. Eff. Dec. 29, 2008.

445.631 Short title.

Sec. 1.

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "beverage container redemption antifraud act".

History: 2008, Act 388, Imd. Eff. Dec. 29, 2008.

445.633 Definitions.

Sec. 3.

As used in this act:

(a) "Beverage container law" means 1976 IL 1, MCL 445.571 to 445.576.
(b) "Dealer" means that term as defined in section 1 of the beverage container law, MCL 445.571.
(c) "Department" means the department of treasury.
(d) "Designated glass container", "designated metal container", and "designated plastic container" mean those terms as defined in the reverse vending machine antifraud act.
(e) "Fund" means the beverage container redemption antifraud fund created in section 7.
(f) "Install vision technology" means to equip an existing, new, or replacement reverse vending machine with vision technology for designated metal, plastic, or glass containers, including all reasonable and necessary technology, equipment, hardware, software, and labor, and 1 year of service directly related to the vision technology by the reverse vending machine vendor.
(g) "Overredeemer" means that term as defined in section 3b of the beverage container law, MCL 445.573b.
(h) "Retrofit" means to install vision technology for designated metal, plastic, or glass beverage containers in an existing, new, or replacement reverse vending machine.
(i) "Reverse vending machine" means that term as defined in the reverse vending machine antifraud act.
(j) "Reverse vending machine manufacturer" means that term as defined in the reverse vending machine antifraud act.
(k) "Vision technology" means that term as defined in the reverse vending machine antifraud act.

History: 2008, Act 388, Imd. Eff. Dec. 29, 2008.

445.635 Retrofit of reverse vending machines; payment to reverse vending machine manufacturers; application for payment; acceptance as full payment; proof of completion; conditions for requiring installation or retrofitting of reverse vending machines.

Sec. 5.

(1) The department shall pay reverse vending machine manufacturers to retrofit reverse vending machines to comply with the reverse vending machine antifraud act.
(2) A reverse vending machine manufacturer that has agreed to retrofit a dealer's reverse vending machines to comply with the reverse vending machine antifraud act shall submit a written application to the department for payment to retrofit the dealer's reverse vending machines. All of the following apply to the application for payment described in this subsection:
    (a) The department shall prescribe the form of the application.
    (b) A reverse vending machine manufacturer may only submit an application for retrofitting a

dealer's reverse vending machines and receive payment under this act if the dealer is required to retrofit those reverse vending machines under the reverse vending machine antifraud act.

(c) An application submitted to the department shall include all of the following:

(i) Contact information for the reverse vending machine manufacturer, the number of reverse vending machines to be retrofitted by the manufacturer, the serial numbers of those machines, where those machines are located, the name and contact information of the dealer that owns or leases those machines, a copy of the dealer's purchase order for the retrofitting of those machines, the street address and county where those machines will be in operation after they are retrofitted, and any other information required by the department.

(ii) The total cost of retrofitting each reverse vending machine described in the application to install vision technology.

(iii) The signature of a designated agent of the reverse vending machine manufacturer, certifying that all of the contents of the application are correct.

(iv) The signature of a designated agent of the dealer whose reverse vending machines are to be retrofitted by the reverse vending machine manufacturer, certifying that all of the contents of the application are correct.

(d) A reverse vending machine manufacturer shall submit a separate application for each location where a dealer operates reverse vending machines.

(3) A reverse vending machine manufacturer that receives payment under this act for retrofitting a reverse vending machine manufacturer shall accept that payment as full payment for the retrofitting of that machine.

(4) When a reverse vending machine manufacturer completes the retrofitting of the reverse vending machine at a dealer's location, the reverse vending machine manufacturer shall submit proof to the department, in a form and manner prescribed by the department and signed by a designated agent of the dealer, that the retrofitting is complete.

(5) The department shall not require that a dealer or reverse vending machine manufacturer retrofit a reverse vending machine to meet the dealer requirements imposed in section 7(1) or 9(1) of the reverse vending machine antifraud act unless the department first establishes under this act that the dealer must install or retrofit the reverse vending machines at a retail location in order to meet the requirements of section 7(1) or 9(1) of the reverse vending machine antifraud act and makes money available for that retrofit under this act.

History: 2008, Act 388, Imd. Eff. Dec. 29, 2008.

445.636 Establishment of new retail store in county bordering another state or in Lower Peninsula contiguous with county bordering another state; installation of vision technology; requirements.

Sec. 6.

(1) If a dealer establishes a new retail store in a county of this state that borders another state, or in a county in the Lower Peninsula that is contiguous with a county of this state that borders another state, and acquires new reverse vending machines for use in that store, the department shall pay the reverse vending machine manufacturer to install vision technology in those new reverse vending machines that meets the requirements of the reverse vending machine antifraud act.

(2) All of the following apply if a dealer purchases new reverse vending machines from a reverse vending machine manufacturer for use in a new retail store in a county described in subsection (1):

(a) The reverse vending machine manufacturer shall submit an application for payment in the form prescribed by the department. The reverse vending machine manufacturer shall include with the application a copy of the dealer's purchase order for the new reverse vending machines.

(b) A reverse vending machine manufacturer may not apply money received under this subsection to the purchase price of a new reverse vending machine that does not meet the requirements of the reverse vending machine antifraud act.

(c) The dealer shall operate the new reverse vending machine at the retail store for which it was acquired. However, if the dealer ceases retail sale of beverages in beverage

containers at that new store, the dealer may move that reverse vending machine to another location and operate the reverse vending machine at that different location.

(d) The amount of a payment to a reverse vending machine manufacturer under this section shall not exceed that part of the price of the new reverse vending machine attributable to the cost of installation of the machine's vision technology or $5,000.00, whichever is less. The reverse vending machine manufacturer must reduce the purchase price of the new reverse vending machine to the dealer by the amount of any payment to the reverse vending machine manufacturer under this subdivision.

History: 2008, Act 388, Imd. Eff. Dec. 29, 2008.

445.637 Beverage container redemption antifraud fund; creation; payments; allocations; report.

Sec. 7.

(1) The beverage container redemption antifraud fund is created in the state treasury. All of the following apply to the fund:

(b) The state treasurer may receive money appropriated to the fund or money or other assets from any other source for deposit into the fund. The state treasurer shall direct the investment of the fund. The state treasurer shall credit to the fund interest and earnings from fund investments.

(c) Money in the fund at the close of the fiscal year shall remain in the fund and shall not lapse to the general fund.

(d) The department is the administrator of the fund for auditing purposes.

(e) The department shall expend money from the fund, upon appropriation, only for the purposes of this act and the reverse vending machine antifraud act, including, but not limited to, administration of those acts. However, the department may not use more than $100,000.00 from the fund in any state fiscal year for administration of this act and the reverse vending machine antifraud act.

(2) At any time after it begins to receive reports described in section 13, but not later than 30 days after receiving all of the reports described in section 13, the department shall immediately begin to arrange with reverse vending machine manufacturers for the retrofitting of reverse vending machines under section 5 that are located in counties that border another state and in counties in the Lower Peninsula that are contiguous with a county of this state that borders another state. The department shall also arrange for payments from the fund on behalf of dealers eligible under section 6 for the acquisition of new reverse vending machines for use in those counties.

(3) In allocating money from the fund for purposes of subsection (2), the department shall do all of the following:

(a) Subject to subdivision (b), give priority to retrofitting reverse vending machines under section 5 located in the counties described in subsection (2), or for the acquisition of new reverse vending machines under section 6 for use in those counties, that it determines have the greatest potential benefit for reducing the redemption of nonreturnable containers.

(b) Allocate at least 50% of the money in the fund to retrofitting reverse vending machines located in counties that border another state under section 5 or for the acquisition of new reverse vending machines under section 6 for use in counties that border another state.

(4) Beginning 1 year after the effective date of this act, the department by September 1 of each year shall report to the legislature on the progress it has made in reducing the redemption of nonreturnable containers, including the total number of distributors who were overreedemers in the immediately preceding calendar year, before trading, as well as the average amount of overredemption.

History: 2008, Act 388, Imd. Eff. Dec. 29, 2008.

445.639 Payment amount; purchase or lease.

Sec. 9.

(1) The amount of payment a reverse vending machine manufacturer may receive under section 7 for retrofitting a single reverse vending machine under section 5 is the total cost of retrofitting that reverse vending machine or $5,000.00, whichever is less.

(2) A dealer that operates a reverse vending machine at a location in a county of this state that borders another state, or in a county in the Lower Peninsula that is contiguous with a county of this state that borders another state, may elect to purchase or lease a new reverse vending machine that meets the requirements of the reverse vending machine antifraud act to replace that existing reverse vending machine rather than have that existing reverse vending machine retrofitted under section 5. All of the following apply if a dealer purchases or leases a new reverse vending machine from a reverse vending machine manufacturer under this subsection:

(a) The reverse vending machine manufacturer shall submit an application for payment in the form prescribed by the department. The reverse vending machine manufacturer shall include with the application a copy of the dealer's purchase order for the new reverse vending machine.

(b) A reverse vending machine manufacturer may not apply money received under this subsection to the purchase price of a new reverse vending machine that does not meet the requirements of the reverse vending machine antifraud act.

(c) The dealer shall operate the new reverse vending machine at the same location as the reverse vending machine it replaces. However, if the dealer ceases retail sale of beverages in beverage containers at that location, the dealer may move that reverse vending machine to another location and operate the reverse vending machine at that different location.

(d) The amount of a payment to a reverse vending machine manufacturer under this section shall not exceed that part of the price of the new reverse vending machine attributable to the cost of installation of the machine's vision technology or $5,000.00, whichever is less. The reverse vending machine manufacturer must reduce the purchase price of the new reverse vending machine to the dealer by the amount of any payment to the reverse vending machine manufacturer under this subdivision.

(e) The reverse vending machine manufacturer may not apply for or receive payment under this act for retrofitting a reverse vending machine if the reverse vending machine manufacturer received money for a new reverse vending machine to replace that existing reverse vending machine under this subsection.

(f) For purposes of this act, the department shall consider the replacement of a reverse vending machine with a new reverse vending machine under this section as a retrofitting of a reverse vending machine.

History: 2008, Act 388, Imd. Eff. Dec. 29, 2008.

445.641 Distribution of money left in fund.

Sec. 11.

If the department determines that it has paid the reverse vending machine manufacturers for retrofitting all of the reverse vending machines located in the counties described in section 7(2), and for the acquisition of any new reverse vending machines under section 6 for use in those counties for which it has received applications for payment, and the total of those payments is less than the amount in the fund, the department shall distribute the money remaining in the fund to dealers for the purchase of new reverse vending machines. All of the following apply to a payment of money under this section:

(a) A dealer requesting money under this section shall submit an application for payment, in the form prescribed by the department.

(b) A dealer shall only use money received under this section to purchase a new reverse vending machine that meets the requirement of the reverse vending machine antifraud act and that the dealer will operate that reverse vending machine at a location in this state.

(c) The amount of a payment to a dealer under this section shall not exceed that part of the price of the new reverse vending machine attributable to the cost of installation of the machine's vision technology, as determined by the department.

(d) The department shall disburse money from the fund under this section in the order in which it receives applications for payment under this section.

History: 2008, Act 388, Imd. Eff. Dec. 29, 2008.

445.643 Report.

Sec. 13.

(1) No later than 60 days after the effective date of this act, each dealer that operates reverse vending machines that are located in any county of this state that borders another state, or any county in the Lower Peninsula that is contiguous with a county of this state that borders another state, shall submit a report to the department.

(2) The report described in subsection (1) shall contain all of the following information:

   (a) Contact information for the dealer.

   (b) The street address and county of each location in the counties described in subsection (1) where the dealer uses reverse vending machines.

   (c) The number of reverse vending machines used by the dealer at each location described in subdivision (b) and the type of beverage containers each of those reverse vending machines accepts.

   (d) The number of beverage containers sold and the number of beverage containers redeemed by the dealer under the beverage container law in the preceding calendar year at each of the locations described in subdivision (b).

(3) The department shall prescribe the form of the report described in subsection (1).

History: Added 2008, Act 388, Imd. Eff. Dec. 29, 2008.

REVERSE VENDING MACHINE ANTIFRAUD ACT
Act 387 of 2008

AN ACT to provide standards for reverse vending machines; to prohibit the use, replacement, leasing, transfer, and sales of certain designs of reverse vending machines; to prescribe penalties; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local governmental officers and entities.

History: 2008, Act 387, Imd. Eff. Dec. 29, 2008.

445.651 Short title.

Sec. 1.

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "reverse vending machine antifraud act".

History: 2008, Act 387, Eff. Dec. 1, 2009

Compiler's note: "Enacting section 1. This act takes effect on the date that deposits into the beverage container redemption antifraud fund created in the beverage container redemption antifraud act from money appropriated by the legislature equal or exceed $1,000,000.00."

445.653 Definitions.

Sec. 3.

As used in this act:

(a) "Beverage container" means that term as defined in section 1 of the beverage container law, MCL 445.571.

(b) "Beverage container law" means 1976 IL 1, MCL 445.571 to 445.576.

(c) "Brand" means any word, name, group of letters, symbol, or trademark, or any combination of them, adopted and used by a manufacturer to identify a specific flavor or type of beverage and to distinguish that flavor or type of beverage from another beverage produced or marketed by that manufacturer or another manufacturer.

(d) "Dealer" means that term as defined in section 1 of the beverage container law, MCL 445.571.

(e) "Department" means the department of treasury.

(f) "Designated glass container" means a 12-ounce glass beverage container that contains a symbol, mark, or other distinguishing characteristic that allows a reverse vending machine to determine if the beverage container is or is not a returnable container.

(g) "Designated metal container" means a 12-ounce metal beverage container that contains a symbol, mark, or other distinguishing characteristic that allows a reverse vending machine to determine if the beverage container is or is not a returnable container.

(h) "Designated plastic container" means a 20-ounce plastic beverage container that contains a symbol, mark, or other distinguishing characteristic that allows a reverse vending machine to determine if the beverage container is or is not a returnable container.

(i) "Distributor" means that term as defined in section 1 of the beverage container law, MCL 445.571.

(j) "Glass beverage container" means a beverage container composed primarily of glass.

(k) "Install" or "installation" means to equip an existing, new, or replacement reverse vending machine with vision technology for designated metal, plastic, or glass containers, including all reasonable and necessary technology, equipment, hardware, software, and labor and including 1 year of service by the reverse vending machine vendor.

(l) "Law enforcement agency" means the attorney general or a law enforcement agency as defined in section 2804 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.2804.

(m) "Lease" does not include to renew or extend an existing lease for an existing reverse vending machine at the same location.

(n) "Manufacturer" means that term as defined in section 1 of the beverage container law, MCL 445.571.

(o) "Metal beverage container" means a beverage container composed primarily of metal.

(p) "Nonreturnable container" means that term as defined in section 1 of the beverage container law, MCL 445.571.

(q) "Person" means an individual, partnership, corporation, association, limited liability company, governmental entity, or other legal entity. The term includes a dealer, distributor, or manufacturer.
(r) "Plastic beverage container" means a beverage container composed primarily of plastic.
(s) "Returnable container" means that term as defined in section 1 of the beverage container law, MCL 445.571.
(t) "Reverse vending machine" means a device designed to properly identify and process empty beverage containers and provide a means for a deposit refund on returnable containers.
(u) "Reverse vending machine manufacturer" means a person that engages in any of the following and the representatives of that person:
(i) Designing or manufacturing a reverse vending machine.
(ii) Selling or leasing a reverse vending machine to a dealer in this state.
(iii) Servicing or replacing a reverse vending machine of a dealer in this state.
(v) "Update" means to install vision technology for designated metal, plastic, or glass beverage containers in an existing, new, or replacement reverse vending machine.
(w) "Vision technology" means a camera or other scanning device that allows a reverse vending machine to determine if beverage containers are returnable containers based on symbols, marks, or other distinguishing characteristics on the beverage containers.

History: 2008, Act 387, Eff. Dec. 1, 2009

Compiler's note: "Enacting section 1. This act takes effect on the date that deposits into the beverage container redemption antifraud fund created in the beverage container redemption antifraud act from money appropriated by the legislature equal or exceed $1,000,000.00."

445.655 Installation of vision technology.

Sec. 5.

Not later than 450 days after the effective date of this act, a reverse vending machine manufacturer shall begin installing vision technology into a sufficient sample of reverse vending machines that process glass beverage containers and plastic beverage containers and conducting testing of that vision technology in a commercial environment or other testing environment that is substantially similar to a commercial environment.

History: 2008, Act 387, Eff. Dec. 1, 2009

Compiler's note: "Enacting section 1. This act takes effect on the date that deposits into the beverage container redemption antifraud fund created in the beverage container redemption antifraud act from money appropriated by the legislature equal or exceed $1,000,000.00."

445.657 Reverse vending machine used in county that borders another state or county in Lower Peninsula contiguous with county that borders another state; processing metal beverage containers; requirements; extension of date.

Sec. 7.

(1) Subject to subsection (2), beginning 360 days after the effective date of this act, a reverse vending machine manufacturer shall not lease, sell, or otherwise transfer a reverse vending machine that processes metal beverage containers for use in any county of this state that borders another state, or any county in the Lower Peninsula that is contiguous with a county of this state that borders another state, and a dealer shall not use a reverse vending machine that processes metal beverage containers in any of those counties, if the reverse vending machine does not meet the following standards:
(a) It identifies at least 85% of appropriately marked and legible designated metal containers that are or are not nonreturnable containers, and authorizes or provides a refund only for those containers identified as returnable containers or refuses to provide or authorize a refund for those containers identified as nonreturnable containers.
(b) It maintains accurate data concerning the number of beverage containers accepted by that reverse vending machine, categorized according to the distributor of those beverage containers.
(2) If a reverse vending machine manufacturer demonstrates to the department's satisfaction that material and technical issues prevent the reverse vending machine manufacturer from meeting the

requirements of subsection (1) by the date described in that subsection, the department may grant an extension of that date of not more than 180 days.

History: 2008, Act 387, Eff. Dec. 1, 2009

Compiler's note: "Enacting section 1. This act takes effect on the date that deposits into the beverage container redemption antifraud fund created in the beverage container redemption antifraud act from money appropriated by the legislature equal or exceed $1,000,000.00."

445.659 Reverse vending machine used in county that borders another state or county in Lower Peninsula contiguous with county that borders another state; processing glass or plastic beverage containers; requirements; extension of date.

Sec 9.

(1) Subject to subsection (2), beginning 720 days after the effective date of this act, a reverse vending machine manufacturer shall not lease, sell, or otherwise transfer a reverse vending machine that processes glass beverage containers or plastic beverage containers for use in any county of this state that borders another state, or any county in the Lower Peninsula that is contiguous with a county of this state that borders another state, and a dealer shall not use a reverse vending machine that processes glass beverage containers or plastic beverage containers in any of those counties, if the reverse vending machine does not meet the following standards:
   (a) It identifies at least 85% of appropriately marked and legible designated glass containers and designated plastic containers that are or are not nonreturnable containers, and authorizes or provides a refund only for those containers identified as returnable containers or refuses to provide or authorize a refund for those containers identified as nonreturnable containers.
   (b) It maintains accurate data concerning the number of beverage containers accepted by that reverse vending machine, categorized according to the distributor of those beverage containers.

(2) If a reverse vending machine manufacturer demonstrates to the department's satisfaction that material and technical issues prevent the reverse vending machine manufacturer from meeting the requirements of subsection (1) by the date described in that subsection, the department may grant an extension of that date of not more than 180 days. The department may grant a second extension of not more than an additional 180 days, but only if the department determines that the reverse vending machine manufacturer gave its best effort to meeting the requirements of subsection (1) before the end of the first extension.

History: 2008, Act 387, Eff. Dec. 1, 2009

Compiler's note: "Enacting section 1. This act takes effect on the date that deposits into the beverage container redemption antifraud fund created in the beverage container redemption antifraud act from money appropriated by the legislature equal or exceed $1,000,000.00."

445.661 Change, alteration, or modification; prohibitions.

Sec. 11.

A person shall not change, alter, or modify a reverse vending machine used or intended for use in this state in a manner designed to prevent the reverse vending machine from meeting the standards described in section 7(1) or 9(1). A person shall not assist another person's efforts to change, alter, or modify a reverse vending machine used or intended for use in this state in a manner designed to prevent the reverse vending machine from meeting the standards described in section 7(1) or 9(1).

History: 2008, Act 387, Eff. Dec. 1, 2009

Compiler's note: "Enacting section 1. This act takes effect on the date that deposits into the beverage container redemption antifraud fund created in the beverage container redemption antifraud act from money appropriated by the legislature equal or exceed $1,000,000.00."

445.663 Fraudulent change, alteration, or modification; data; retention; availability for inspection.

Sec. 13.

(1) A person shall not fraudulently change, alter, or modify data described in section 7(1) or 9(1) or assist another person's efforts to fraudulently change, alter, or modify data described in section 7(1) or 9(1).

(2) Each dealer shall retain the data described in sections 7(1) and 9(1) for at least 2 years, shall make any of that data concerning brands distributed by a distributor that provides a refund to the dealer under section 2(6) of the beverage container law, MCL 445.572, available for inspection by that distributor, and shall provide copies of that data to that distributor on request.

History: 2008, Act 387, Eff. Dec. 1, 2009

Compiler's note: "Enacting section 1. This act takes effect on the date that deposits into the beverage container redemption antifraud fund created in the beverage container redemption antifraud act from money appropriated by the legislature equal or exceed $1,000,000.00."

445.665 Inspection; investigation of complaint; notice of violation; installation or update to comply with requirements.

Sec. 15.

(1) Each dealer shall allow the department and any law enforcement agency to inspect the dealer's reverse vending machines and the data described in sections 7(1) and 9(1) for the purpose of enforcing this act.
(2) If the department receives a complaint of a violation of this act, the department shall investigate to determine if a violation of this act has occurred.
(3) If the department determines or discovers that a violation of this act has occurred, the department shall notify the appropriate law enforcement agency of the violation.
(4) The department shall not require that a dealer or reverse vending machine manufacturer install or update a reverse vending machine to meet the requirements of section 7(1) or 9(1) unless the department first establishes under the beverage container redemption antifraud act that the dealer must install or retrofit the reverse vending machines at a retail location in order to meet the requirements of section 7(1) or 9(1) and makes money available for that installation or update under the beverage container redemption antifraud act.

History: 2008, Act 387, Eff. Dec. 1, 2009

Compiler's note: "Enacting section 1. This act takes effect on the date that deposits into the beverage container redemption antifraud fund created in the beverage container redemption antifraud act from money appropriated by the legislature equal or exceed $1,000,000.00."

445.667 Violations; penalties; restitution.

Sec. 17.

(1) A person who violates section 11 or 13(1) is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 2 years or a fine of not more than $10,000.00, or both.
(2) Except as provided in subsection (1), and subject to subsections (3) and (4), a person that violates this act is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 90 days or a fine of not more than $5,000.00, or both.
(3) A dealer or reverse vending machine manufacturer is not considered in violation of section 7(1) or 9(1) if the department has not made money available to the reverse vending machine manufacturer under the beverage container redemption antifraud act to update the dealer's reverse vending machines.
(4) A dealer is not considered in violation of the requirements imposed on a dealer in section 7(1) or 9(1) if the dealer is using the reverse vending machines of a reverse vending machine manufacturer and the reverse vending machines of that reverse vending machine manufacturer cannot be retrofitted due to the lack of technology to meet the standards described in subdivisions (a) and (b) of section 7(1) or 9(1).
(5) In addition to the penalty imposed under subsection (1) or (2), a court shall order a person convicted of a violation of this act to make restitution to this state and to any dealer or distributor for any loss caused by the violation.

History: 2008, Act 387, Eff. Dec. 1, 2009

Compiler's note: "Enacting section 1. This act takes effect on the date that deposits into the beverage container redemption antifraud fund created in the beverage container redemption antifraud act from money appropriated by the legislature equal or exceed $1,000,000.00."

445.669 Report.

Sec. 19.

Within 4 years after the effective date of this act, the department shall provide a written report to the governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the senate majority leader. The report shall include a status report concerning the implementation of this act and the beverage container redemption antifraud act, the department's analysis of the effectiveness of these acts in reducing the redemption of nonreturnable containers in this state, the department's recommendation concerning whether the requirements of sections 7(1) and 9(1) should be extended to apply to reverse vending machines located in areas of the state not included in those sections, and any other recommendations the department may have for changes to these acts or other legislative action to reduce the redemption of nonreturnable containers in this state.

History: 2008, Act 387, Eff. Dec. 1, 2009

Compiler's note: "Enacting section 1. This act takes effect on the date that deposits into the beverage container redemption antifraud fund created in the beverage container redemption antifraud act from money appropriated by the legislature equal or exceed $1,000,000.00."

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS ACT
Act 90 of 1978

AN ACT to provide for the legal employment and protection of minors; to provide for the issuance and revocation of work permits; to provide for the regulation of hours and conditions of employment of minors; to prescribe powers and duties of the departments of labor and education; to provide for the enforcement of this act; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978.

409.101 Short title.

Sec. 1.

This act shall be known and may be cited as the “youth employment standards act”.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978.

Compiler's note: For creation of bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation within department of consumer and industry services; transfer of powers and duties of bureau of worker's compensation and unemployment agency to bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation; transfer of powers and duties of director of bureau of worker's compensation and director of unemployment agency to director of bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation; and, transfer of powers and duties of wage and hour division of worker's compensation board of magistrates to bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, see E.R.O. No. 2002-1, compiled at MCL 445.2004 of the Michigan Compiled Laws .For creation of the new wage and hour division as a type II agency within the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of the former wage and hour division of the department of consumer and industry services, transferred to the bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, to the new wage and hour division within the department of labor and economic growth by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of wage hour division relative from department of licensing and regulation to department of education, see E.R.O. No. 2011-4, compiled at MCL 445.2030.

409.102 Definitions.

Sec. 2.

As used in this act:

(a) “Employ” means engage, permit, or allow to work.

(b) “Employer” means a person, firm, or corporation that employs a minor, and includes the state or a political subdivision of the state, an agency or instrumentality of the state, and an agent of an employer.

(c) “Issuing officer” means the chief administrator of a school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school, or a person authorized by that chief administrator in writing to act on his or her behalf.

(d) “Minor” means a person under 18 years of age.

(e) “Rule” means a rule promulgated pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, being sections 24.201 to 24.328 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978;--Am. 1996, Act 438, Imd. Eff. Dec. 18, 1996.

Compiler's note: For creation of bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation within department of consumer and industry services; transfer of powers and duties of bureau of worker's compensation and unemployment agency to bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation; transfer of powers and duties of director of bureau of worker's compensation and director of unemployment agency to director of bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation; and, transfer of powers and duties of wage and hour division of worker's compensation board of magistrates to bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, see E.R.O. No.2002-1, compiled at MCL 445.2004 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. For creation of the new wage and hour division as a type II agency within the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of the former wage and hour division of the department of consumer and industry services, transferred to the bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, to the new wage and hour division within the department of labor and economic growth by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of wage hour division relative from department of licensing and regulation to department of education, see E.R.O. No. 2011-4, compiled at MCL 445.2030.

409.103 Employment of minor; prohibited occupations; minimum age; exceptions and limitations.

Sec. 3.

(1) A minor shall not be employed in, about, or in connection with an occupation that is hazardous or injurious to the minor's health or personal well-being or that is contrary to standards established under this act, unless a deviation is granted under section 20.

(2) The minimum age for employment of minors is 14 years, subject to the following exceptions and limitations:

(a) A minor at least 11 years of age and less than 14 years of age may be employed as a youth athletic program referee or umpire for an age bracket younger than his or her own age if an adult representing the athletic program is on the premises at which the athletic

program event is occurring and a person responsible for the athletic program possesses a written acknowledgment of the minor's parent or guardian consenting to the minor's employment as a referee or umpire. A minor 11 years of age or older may be employed as a golf caddy.

(b) A minor 13 years of age or older may be employed in farming operations as described in section 4(3).

(c) A minor 11 years of age or older may be employed as a bridge caddy at any event sanctioned by the American contract bridge league or other national bridge league association.

(d) A minor 13 years of age or older may be employed to perform services which entail setting traps for formal or informal trap, skeet, and sporting clays shooting events.

History: 1978; Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978; - Am. 1987, Act 71, Imd. Eff. June 29, 1987; - Am. 1997, Act 132, Eff. Nov. 14, 1997.

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409.104 Employment of minor; copy of work permit or temporary permit required; issuance and filing of work permit; duration of temporary permit; oath; return of permit; exception to work permit requirement; evidence of age; exception in subsection (3) inapplicable to other provisions.

Sec. 4

(1) Except as provided in subsection (3), a minor shall not be employed in an occupation regulated by this act until the person proposing to employ the minor procures from the minor and keeps on file at the place of employment a copy of the work permit or a temporary permit. The work permit shall be issued by the issuing officer of the school district, intermediate school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school at which the minor is enrolled, and a copy of the work permit shall be placed in the minor's permanent school file for as long as the minor is employed. A temporary permit is valid for 10 days from the date of issue. A work permit may be issued by the school district in which the minor's place of employment is located, or by the public school academy or nonpublic school nearest that place of employment. An issuing officer may administer oaths in relation to work permits.

(2) Immediately after the termination of the minor's employment, the employer shall return the permit the issuing officer.

(3) The work permit requirement of subsection (1) does not apply to any of the following:

(a) A minor 13 years of age or older who is employed in farming operations involving detasseling, roguing, hoeing, or any similar act involved in the production of seed. This exception applies only when a minor is employed during school vacation periods or when the minor is not regularly enrolled in school. An employer shall keep on file at the place of employment evidence of the age of any minor employed under this work permit exception. Evidence of the age of the minor shall be established as provided in section 5(b).

(b) A minor who is performing work as an unpaid volunteer for an organization that is recognized as tax-exempt under, or whose purposes, structure, or activities are exclusively those that are described in, section 501(c)(3) of the internal revenue code, 26 USC 501(c)(3).

(c) A minor who is performing work as an unpaid volunteer for a fair or exhibition operated and managed under 1929 PA 11, MCL 46.151 to 46.153, or held by an agricultural or horticultural society under 1855 PA 80, MCL 453.231 to 453.240.

(4) A work permit exception in subsection (3) does not provide an exemption from any other provision of this act.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978; - Am. 1987, Act 71, Imd. Eff. June 29, 1987;--Am. 1996, Act 438, Imd. Eff. Dec. 18, 1996;--Am. 2010, Act 221, Imd. Eff. Dec. 9, 2010;--Am. 2011, Act 80, Imd. Eff. July 12, 2011.

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409.105 Work permit; application; examination, approval, and filing of papers.

Sec. 5.

An issuing officer shall issue a work permit only upon application in person by the minor desiring employment and after having examined, approved, and filed the following papers:

(a) A statement of intention to employ, signed by the prospective employer or by a person authorized by the prospective employer, setting forth the general nature of the occupation in which the employer intends to employ the minor, the hours during which the minor will be employed, the wages to be paid and other information the department of education, in cooperation with the department of labor, requires.

(b) Evidence showing that the minor is of the age required by this act. Proof of age shall be established by one of the following:

(i) A certified copy of the birth record or any other proof of age showing the place and date of birth.

(ii) A certified copy of valid operator's license issued by this state clearly showing date of birth.

(iii) The school record or the school census record.

(iv) The sworn statement of the minor's parent or guardian, together with a corroborating statement of a physician.

(v) If documentary proof as described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv) is not obtainable, the issuing officer may accept other documentation as established by department of education rules.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978.

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409.106 Work permit; form; color; contents; rules.

Sec. 6.

(1) Work permits shall be issued in the form prescribed by the department of education in cooperation with the department of labor and in accordance with instructions so prescribed. The color of work permits for minors under 16 years of age shall be distinct from that for minors 16 years of age and over. Work permits shall state the name and address of the minor, the date of birth, the occupation and industry in which the minor is employed, the employer's name and address, and other information required by the department of education.

(2) The department of education shall promulgate rules prescribing standards for the issuance of work permits, which shall include the following factors:

(a) Evidence of age.

(b) Standards of work as established by the department of labor and federal regulation.

(c) Statutory requirements.

(3) A fee shall not be charged for a work permit or other record required by this act.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978.

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Administrative rules: R 340.186 et seq.; R 408.201 et seq.; R 409.1 et seq.; and R 423.401 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.

409.107 Revocation of permit; factors; record of refusal, suspension, or revocation; informing minor of appeal process.

Sec. 7.

(1) The issuing officer may revoke a permit based solely on the following factors:

(a) Poor school attendance, characterized by repeated erratic or unexcused absences, which results in consistent performance of school work at a level lower than that which preceded the minor's employment. The work permit shall be revoked only after the permit has been

suspended. The suspension shall take place upon notice to the minor and the employer, and an opportunity to correct the deficiency is afforded. The suspension shall not exceed 30 days after date of notification.

(b) The minor's employment is in violation of federal or state law or of a regulation or rule promulgated under federal or state law, and the issuing officer is informed of the violation by the department of labor.

(2) The issuing officer shall keep a record of each refusal, suspension, or revocation and the reasons for the action. Upon revocation, the minor shall be informed of the appeal process and shall be given instructions as to the initiation of an appeal.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978.

Compiler's note: For creation of the new wage and hour division as a type II agency within the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of the former wage and hour division of the department of consumer and industry services, transferred to the bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, to the new wage and hour division within the department of labor and economic growth by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of wage hour division relative from department of licensing and regulation to department of education, see E.R.O. No. 2011-4, compiled at MCL 445.2030.

409.108 Failure or refusal to issue work permit; appeal; procedure.

Sec. 8.

The failure or refusal of the issuing officer to issue a work permit may be appealed in accordance with Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended, by the minor or by the parent or guardian of the minor applying therefor, or by the person or agency to whom custody of the minor has been awarded. An appeal may be taken in the same manner from the revocation of a permit.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978.

Compiler's note: For creation of the new wage and hour division as a type II agency within the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of the former wage and hour division of the department of consumer and industry services, transferred to the bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, to the new wage and hour division within the department of labor and economic growth by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of wage hour division relative from department of licensing and regulation to department of education, see E.R.O. No. 2011-4, compiled at MCL 445.2030.

409.109 Work permit as evidence of age.

Sec. 9.

A work permit issued in accordance with this act shall be conclusive evidence of the age of the minor for whom issued in a proceeding involving the employment of the minor under this act.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978.

Compiler's note: For creation of the new wage and hour division as a type II agency within the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of the former wage and hour division of the department of consumer and industry services, transferred to the bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, to the new wage and hour division within the department of labor and economic growth by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of wage hour division relative from department of licensing and regulation to department of education, see E.R.O. No. 2011-4, compiled at MCL 445.2030.

409.110 Minor under 16 years; days and hours of employment.

Sec. 10.

A minor under 16 years shall not be employed in an occupation subject to this act for more than 6 days in 1 week, nor for a period longer than a weekly average of 8 hours per day or 48 hours in 1 week, nor more than 10 hours in 1 day. The minor shall not be employed between the hours of 9 p.m. and 7 a.m. A minor who is a student in school shall not be employed more than a combined school and work week of 48 hours during the period when school is in session.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978.

Compiler's note: For creation of the new wage and hour division as a type II agency within the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of the former wage and hour division of the department of consumer and industry services, transferred to the bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, to the new wage and hour division within the department of labor and economic growth by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of wage hour division relative from department of licensing and regulation to department of education, see E.R.O. No. 2011-4, compiled at MCL 445.2030.

409.111 Minor 16 years or older; days and hours of employment; definitions.

Sec. 11.

(1) Except as provided in subsection (3), a minor 16 years of age or older shall not be employed in an occupation subject to this act for more than any of the following periods:
   (a) Six days in 1 week.
   (b) An average of 8 hours pay day in 1 week.
   (c) Ten hours in 1 day.
   (d) Subject to subdivision (e), 48 hours in 1 week.
   (e) If the minor is a student in school and school is in session, 24 hours in 1 week.

(2) Except as provided in subsection (3), a person shall not employ a minor 16 years of age or older between 10:30 p.m. and 6 a.m. However, except as provided in subsection (3), a person may employ a minor 16 years of age or older who is a student in school until 11:30 p.m. on any of the following days:
   (a) On Fridays and Saturdays.
   (b) During school vacation periods.
   (c) During periods when the minor is not regularly enrolled in school.

(3) A person may employ a minor 16 years of age or older in farming operations involved in the production of seed or in agricultural processing for a period greater than the periods described in subsections (1) and (2) if all of the following conditions are met:
   (a) If the minor is a student in school, the period greater than the periods described in subsections (1) and (2) occurs when school is not in session.
   (b) The minor is employed for not more than 11 hours in 1 day.
   (c) The minor is employed for not more than 62 hours in any week. However, the employer shall not require the minor to work more than 48 hours during any week without the consent of the minor
   (d) The minor is not employed between 2 a.m. and 5:30 a.m.
   (e) The agricultural processing employer maintains on file a written acknowledgment of the minor's parent or guardian consenting to the period of employment authorized under this subsection.

(4) As used in this section:
   (a) "Agricultural processing" means the cleaning, sorting, or packaging of fruits or vegetables.
   (b)"Farming operations involved in the production of seed" means farming activities and research involved in the production of seed, including plant detasseling, hand-pollination, roguing, or hoeing, and any other similar farming activity required for commercial seed production.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978;□Am. 1995, Act 251, Eff. Mar. 28, 1996;□Am. 1996, Act 499, Imd. Eff. Jan. 9, 1997; Am. 2000, Act 418, Imd. Eff. Jan. 8, 2001;-Am. 2011, Act 197, Imd. Eff. Oct. 18, 2011.

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409.112 Meals and rest period.

Sec. 12.

A minor shall not be employed for more than 5 hours continuously without an interval of at least 30 minutes for a meal and rest period. An interval of less than 30 minutes shall not be considered to interrupt a continuous period of work.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978.

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409.112a Employment of minor in occupation involving a cash transaction after sunset or 8 p.m. at fixed location; condition.

Sec. 12a.

A minor who would otherwise be permitted under this act to be employed in an occupation subject to this act shall not be employed in an occupation that involves a cash transaction subject to this act after sunset or 8 p.m., whichever is the earlier, at a fixed location unless an employer or other employee 18 years of age or older is present at the fixed location during those hours.

History: Add. 1980, Act 436, Eff. Mar. 31, 1981.

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409.113 Posting copy of 409.110, 409.111, and 409.112; time record.

Sec. 13.

(1) Each employer shall keep posted conspicuously in or about the premises at which a minor is employed, a printed copy of sections 10, 11, and 12 as furnished by the department.
(2) Each employer shall keep in or about the premises at which a minor is employed, an adequate time record which shall state the number of hours worked by the minor each day of the week together with starting and ending times and other information the department of labor requires. The employer shall keep the record on file for not less than 1 year.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978.

Compiler's note: For creation of the new wage and hour division as a type II agency within the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of the former wage and hour division of the department of consumer and industry services, transferred to the bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, to the new wage and hour division within the department of labor and economic growth by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of wage hour division relative from department of licensing and regulation to department of education, see E.R.O. No. 2011-4, compiled at MCL 445.2030.

409.114 Employment of minor in performance by performing arts organization; approval.

Sec. 14.

This act shall not prevent a minor from being employed in a performance by any performing arts organization if a letter of approval is obtained from the department of labor by the representative of the arts organization. Approval shall be issued only if the department of labor determines that the employment is not detrimental to the health or personal well-being of the minor, that the minor is adequately supervised, and that the minor's education is not neglected.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978.

Compiler's note: For creation of the new wage and hour division as a type II agency within the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of the former wage and hour division of the department of consumer and industry services, transferred to the bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, to the new wage and hour division within the department of labor and economic growth by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of wage hour division relative from department of licensing and regulation to department of education, see E.R.O. No. 2011-4, compiled at MCL 445.2030.

409.114a Performing in or being subject to child abusive commercial activity.

Sec. 14a.

Except as provided in section 14, a minor shall not perform in or be a subject of a child abusive commercial activity as defined in section 145c of Act No. 328 of the Public Acts of 1931, being section 750.145c of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

History: Add. 1978, Act 228, Imd. Eff. June 14, 1978.

Compiler's note: For creation of the new wage and hour division as a type II agency within the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of the former wage and hour division of the department of consumer and industry services, transferred to the bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, to the new wage and hour division within the department of labor and economic growth by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of wage hour division relative from department of licensing and regulation to department of education, see E.R.O. No. 2011-4, compiled at MCL 445.2030.

409.115 Employment of minor in establishment manufacturing, distributing, or selling alcoholic beverages.

Sec. 15.

(1) A work permit must not be issued authorizing the employment of a minor 16 years of age or older in, about, or in connection with that part of an establishment where alcoholic beverages are distilled, rectified, compounded, brewed, manufactured, bottled, consumed, sold at retail, or sold for consumption on the premises unless the sale of food or other goods constitutes at least 50% of the total gross receipts.
(2) This act does not prohibit the issuance of work permits for 14- and 15-year-olds to be employed in establishments where alcoholic beverages are sold at retail, if the sale of food or other goods constitutes at least 50% of the total gross receipts of the establishment. Minors 14 and 15 years of age must not be employed in, about, or in connection with that part of the establishment where alcoholic beverages are consumed or sold for consumption on the premises.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978. – Am. Act 123, Imd. Eff. June 20, 2022.

Compiler's note: For creation of the new wage and hour division as a type II agency within the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of the former wage and hour division of the department of consumer and industry services, transferred to the bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, to the new wage and hour division within the department of labor and economic growth by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of wage hour division relative from department of licensing and regulation to department of education, see E.R.O. No. 2011-4, compiled at MCL 445.2030.

409.116 Exemption; minor 16 years of age completing requirements for graduation; minor 17 years of age passing general educational development test; duty of employer.

Sec. 16.

(1) This act does not apply to or prohibit the employment of a minor 16 years of age or older who has completed the requirements for graduation from high school or obtained a high school equivalency certificate. An employer, before employing the minor, shall obtain and keep on file a certification from the school the minor attended certifying that the minor has completed the requirements for graduation or a copy of the high school equivalency certificate.
(2) This act shall not apply to or prohibit the employment of a minor 17 years of age or older who has successfully passed the general educational development test. An employer, before employing the minor, shall obtain and keep on file proof of the minor's successful completion.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978;--Am. 2014, Act 144, Imd. Eff. June 3, 2014.

Compiler's note: For creation of the new wage and hour division as a type II agency within the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003- 1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of the former wage and hour division of the department of consumer and industry services, transferred to the bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, to the new wage and hour division within the department of labor and economic growth by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011.For transfer of powers and duties of wage hour division relative from department of licensing and regulation to department of education, see E.R.O. No. 2011-4, compiled at MCL 445.2030.

409.117 Exemption; emancipated minor; duty of employer.

Sec. 17.

This act shall not apply to nor prohibit the employment of an emancipated minor, as defined by section 4 of Act No. 293 of the Public Acts of 1968, as amended, being section 722.4 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. An employer, before employing the minor, shall obtain and keep on file proof of the minor's emancipated status.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978.

Compiler's note: For creation of the new wage and hour division as a type II agency within the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of the former wage and hour division of the department of consumer and industry services, transferred to the bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, to the new wage and hour division within the department of labor and economic growth by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of wage hour division relative from department of licensing and regulation to department of education, see E.R.O. No. 2011-4, compiled at MCL 445.2030.409.118 Exemption; minor 14 years of age employed under agreement or contract between employer and governing body of school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school.

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Sec. 18.

This act does not apply to or prohibit the employment of a student minor 14 years of age or older by an employer if a written agreement or contract is entered into between the employer and the governing body of the school district, public school academy, or nonpublic school at which the minor is enrolled. The employment shall not be in violation of a federal statute or regulation and a signed copy of the agreement shall be on file in the place of employment before the minor begins employment.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978; -- Am. 1996, Act 438, Imd. Eff. Dec. 18, 1996.

Compiler's note: For creation of the new wage and hour division as a type II agency within the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of the former wage and hour division of the department of consumer and industry services, transferred to the bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, to the new wage and hour division within the department of labor and economic growth by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of wage hour division relative from department of licensing and regulation to department of education, see E.R.O. No. 2011-4, compiled at MCL 445.2030.

409.118a Act inapplicable to minor as ice hockey player for junior hockey team.

Sec. 18a.

This act does not apply to a minor in his or her capacity as an ice hockey player for a junior ice hockey team that is a member of a regional, national, or international junior ice hockey league.

History: Add. 2017, Act 244, Eff. Mar. 21, 2018

409.119 Exemptions generally; hours of work.

Sec. 19.

(1) This act shall not apply to or prohibit a minor from engaging in any of the following activities:
   (a) Domestic work or chores in connection with a private residence.
   (b) Soliciting, distributing, selling, or offering for sale newspapers, magazines, periodicals, political, or advertising matter.
   (c) Shoe shining.
   (d) Services performed as a member of a recognized youth oriented organization that is engaged in citizenship training and character building, if the services are not intended to replace employees in occupations for which workers are ordinarily paid.
   (e) Employment in a business owned and operated by the parent or guardian of the minor. For the purposes of this subdivision, a business is considered to be owned by the parent or guardian of the minor if the parent or guardian is either the sole owner, partner, or stockholder in the business and a business is considered to be operated by the parent or guardian of the minor if he or she devotes substantially all of his or her working hours to the operation of the business.

(f) Farm work if the employment is not in violation of a standard established by the department of labor and economic growth. Farm work means the work activity designated in sector 11 - agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting, of the North American industry classification system - United States, 1997, published by the office of management and budget. Farm work includes any practices performed on a farm as an incident to or in conjunction with farming operations, including preparation for market and delivery to storage, market, or carriers for transport to market.

(g) Employment by a school, academy, or college in which the minor is enrolled if the minor is 14 years old or older.

(h) Nonhazardous construction work or operations performed as an unpaid volunteer, if the construction work or operations are performed under adult supervision for a charitable housing organization. As used in this subdivision:

(i) "Charitable housing organization" means a nonprofit charitable organization the primary purpose of which is the construction or renovation of residential housing for low-income individuals.

(ii) "Family income" and "statewide median gross income" mean those terms as defined in section 11 of the state housing development authority act of 1966, 1966 PA 346, MCL 125.1411.

(iii) "Low-income person" means a person with a family income of not more than 60% of the statewide median gross income.

(iv) "Nonhazardous construction work or operations" means construction work or operations that are performed at a construction site of a new or renovated single family home and do not involve the use of power tools, woodworking machinery, or hazardous substances or other activities that would constitute a great risk of serious injury. Activities that would constitute a great risk of serious injury include, but are not limited to, all of the following:

(A) Excavation.

(B) Highway, bridge, or street construction.

(C) Wrecking.

(D) Demolition.

(E) New commercial or new multiple residential construction.

(2) If a minor is required by law to attend school, the work may only be performed outside of school hours, unless the minor is enrolled and employed under a work-related educational program.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978; -- Am. 2003, Act 288, Imd. Eff. Jan. 8, 2004.

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409.120 Rules; deviations.

Sec. 20.

(1) The department of labor shall promulgate rules prescribing standards not inconsistent with this act as to the working conditions, safety, health and personal well-being of minors in various types of employment.

(2) Deviations from established standards or from hours by employment shall be granted by the director of labor when it is determined to be in the best interests of the minor and the community. The procedures for applying and issuing deviations shall be prescribed by the department of labor.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978.

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Administrative rules: R 408.6202 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.

409.121 Enforcement and prosecution of act; right of entry and inspection.

Sec. 21.

The department of labor shall enforce this act and assist in the prosecution of this act. The department shall have the authority to enter and inspect any place where a minor may be employed and to have access to work permits, age certificates, or other proof of age and time records of the employer, and other records which may aid in the enforcement of this act.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978.

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409.122 Violation as misdemeanor or felony; penalties.

Sec. 22.

(1) Except as provided in subsection (2) or (3), a person who employs a minor in violation of this act, violates this act or a rule promulgated under this act, or obstructs the department of labor in the enforcement of this act is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 1 year, or a fine of not more than $500.00, or both.
(2) A person who employs, permits, or suffers a minor in violation of section 12a is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 1 year, or a fine of not more than 2,000.00, or both. A person who commits a second offense under section 12a is guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment for not more than 2 years, or a fine of not more than $5,000.00, or both. A person who commits a third or subsequent violation of section 12a is guilty of a felony, punishable by imprisonment for not more than 10 years, or a fine of not more than $10,000.00, or both.
(3) A person who employs, permits, or suffers a minor to be employed or to work in violation of section 14a is guilty of a felony, punishable by imprisonment for not more than 20 years, or a fine of not more than $20,000.00, or both.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978; -- Am. 1978, Act 228, Imd. Eff. June 14, 1978; -- Am. 1980, Act 436, Eff. Mar. 31, 1981.

Compiler's note: For creation of the new wage and hour division as a type II agency within the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of the former wage and hour division of the department of consumer and industry services, transferred to the bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, to the new wage and hour division within the department of labor and economic growth by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of wage hour division relative from department of licensing and regulation to department of education, see E.R.O. No. 2011-4, compiled at MCL 445.2030.

409.123 Repeal of MCL 409.1 to 409.30 and 380.1597

Sec. 23.

(1) Act No. 157 of the Public Acts of 1947, as amended, being sections 409.1 to 409.30 of the Compiled Laws of 1970, is repealed.
(2) Section 1597 of Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1976, being section 380.1597 of the Compiled Laws is repealed.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978.

Compiler's note: For creation of the new wage and hour division as a type II agency within the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of the former wage and hour division of the department of consumer and industry services, transferred to the bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, to the new wage and hour division within the department of labor and economic growth by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of wage hour division relative from department of licensing and regulation to department of education, see E.R.O. No. 2011-4, compiled at MCL 445.2030.

409.124 Effective date.

Sec. 24.

This act shall take effect June 1, 1978.

History: 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978.

Compiler's note: For creation of the new wage and hour division as a type II agency within the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of the former wage and hour division of the department of consumer and industry services, transferred to the bureau of worker's and unemployment compensation, to the new wage and hour division within the department of labor and economic growth by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011. For transfer of powers and duties of wage hour division relative from department of licensing and regulation to department of education, see E.R.O. No. 2011-4, compiled at MCL 445.2030.

THE MICHIGAN PENAL CODE (EXCERPTS)
Act 328 of 1931

AN ACT to revise, consolidate, codify and add to the statutes relating to crimes; to define crimes and prescribe the penalties therefor; to provide for the competency of evidence at the trial of persons accused of crime; to provide immunity from prosecution for certain witnesses appearing at such trials; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts inconsistent with or contravening any of the provisions of this act.

History: 1931, Act 328, Eff. Sept. 18, 1931.

CHAPTER IV
ADULTERATING AND MISBRANDING

750.28 Cereal beverage with alcoholic content; furnishing to minors, penalty.

Sec. 28.

Any person who shall sell, give or furnish to a minor, except upon authority of and pursuant to a prescription of a duly licensed physician, any cereal beverage of any alcoholic content under the name of "near beer", or "brew", or "bru", or any other name which is capable of conveying the impression to the purchaser that the beverage has an alcoholic content, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

History: Add. 1957, Act 283, Eff. Sept. 27, 1957.

Cited in other sections: Section 750.28 is cited in MCL 722.53.

CHAPTER XX
CHILDREN

750.141 Presence of minor under 17 in places where liquor is sold, given away, or furnished; attendance of minors at dances.

Sec. 141.

A minor child under 17 years of age shall not be permitted to remain in a dance hall, saloon, barroom or any place where spirituous or intoxicating liquor, wine or beer, or any beverage, liquor or liquors containing spirituous or intoxicating liquor, beer or malt liquor is sold, given away or furnished for a beverage, unless the minor is accompanied by parent or guardian. A proprietor, keeper or manager of any such place who permits a minor child to remain in any such place, and a person who encourages or induces in any way the minor child to enter the place or to remain therein shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor. This section shall not prevent a township, village or city from establishing, by ordinance, regulations more stringent than the provisions of this act relative to the attendance of a minor at theaters, movie houses, bowling or billiard halls and dance halls. This section shall not prevent a township, village or city from establishing, by ordinance, regulations permitting the attendance of minor children at dances where no spirituous or intoxicating liquor, beer or malt liquor is sold, given away or consumed in the dance area.

History: 1931, Act 328, Eff. Sept. 18, 1931; - CL 1948, 750.141; - Am. 1959, Act 254, Eff. Mar. 19, 1960; - Am. 1966, Act 166, Imd. Eff. July 1, 1966; - Am. 1972, Act 32, Imd. Eff. Feb. 19, 1972.

Cited in other sections: Section 750.141 is cited in MCL 722.53.

Former law: See section 3 of Chapter XXX of Part II of Act 319 of 1927, being CL 1929, § 7631; section 2 of Act 260 of 1881, being How., § 1999; CL 1897, § 5554; CL 1915, § 7223; CL 1929, § 12799; Act 236 of 1905; and Act 55 of 1907.

CHAPTER XXVA
CRIMINAL ENTERPRISES

750.159g "Racketeering" defined.

Sec. 159g.

As used in this chapter, "racketeering" means committing, attempting to commit, conspiring to commit, or aiding or abetting, soliciting, coercing, or intimidating a person to commit an offense for financial gain by obtaining money, property, or any other thing of value, involving any of the following:

(a) A felony violation of section 8 of the tobacco products tax act, 1993 PA 327, MCL 205.428, concerning tobacco product taxes, or section 9 of former 1947 PA 265, concerning cigarette taxes.
(b) A violation of section 11151(3) of the natural resources and environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.11151, or section 48(3) of former 1979 PA 64, concerning felonious disposal of hazardous waste.
(c) A felony violation of part 74 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7401 to 333.7461, concerning controlled substances.
(d) A felony violation of section 7340, 7340c, or 17766c of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7340, 333.7340c, and 333.17766c, concerning ephedrine or pseudoephedrine.
(e) A felony violation of section 60 of the social welfare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.60, concerning welfare fraud.
(f) A violation of section 4, 5, or 7 of the medicaid false claim act, 1977 PA 72, MCL 400.604, 400.605, and 400.607, concerning Medicaid fraud.
(g) A felony violation of section 18 of the Michigan gaming control and revenue act, 1996 IL 1, MCL 432.218, concerning the business of gaming.
(h) A felony violation of section 909(4) of the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1909, concerning the illegal sale, delivery, or importation of spirits.
(i) A violation of section 508 of the uniform securities act (2002), 2008 PA 551, MCL 451.2508, concerning fraud.
(j) A violation of section 5 or 7 of 1978 PA 33, MCL 722.675 and 722.677, concerning the display or dissemination of obscene matter to minors.
(k) A violation of section 49, concerning animal fighting.
(l) A felony violation of section 72, 73, 74, 75, or 77, concerning arson.
(m) A violation of section 93, 94, 95, or 96, concerning bank bonds, bills, notes, and property.
(n) A violation of section 110 or 110a, concerning breaking and entering or home invasion.
(o) A violation of section 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, or 124, concerning bribery.
(p) A violation of section 120a, concerning jury tampering.
(q) A violation of section 145c, concerning child sexually abusive activity or material.
(r) A violation of section 145d, concerning internet or computer crimes.
(s) A felony violation of section 157n, 157p, 157q, 157r, 157s, 157t, or 157u, concerning credit cards or financial transaction devices.
(t) A felony violation of section 174, 175, 176, 180, 181, or 182, concerning embezzlement.
(u) A felony violation of chapter XXXIII, concerning explosives and bombs.
(v) A violation of section 213, concerning extortion.
(w) A felony violation of section 218, concerning false pretenses.
(x) A felony violation of section 223(2), 224(1)(a), (b), or (c), 224b, 224c, 224e(1), 226, 227, 234a, 234b, or 237a, concerning firearms or dangerous weapons.
(y) A felony violation of chapter XLI, concerning forgery and counterfeiting.
(z) A violation of section 271, 272, 273, or 274, concerning securities fraud.
(aa) A violation of section 300a, concerning food stamps or coupons or access devices.
(bb) A violation of section 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 305a, or 313, concerning gambling.
(cc) A violation of section 316 or 317, concerning murder.
(dd) A violation of section 330, 331, or 332, concerning horse racing.
(ee) A violation of section 349, 349a, or 350, concerning kidnapping.
(ff) A felony violation of chapter LII, concerning larceny.

(gg) A violation of section 411k, concerning money laundering.
(hh) A violation of section 422, 423, 424, or 425, concerning perjury or subornation of perjury.
(ii) A violation of section 452, 455, 457, 458, or 459, concerning prostitution.
(jj) A violation of chapter LXVIIA, concerning human trafficking.
(kk) A violation of section 529, 529a, 530, or 531, concerning robbery.
(ll) A felony violation of section 535 or 535a, concerning stolen, embezzled, or converted property.
(mm) A violation of chapter LXXXIII-A, concerning terrorism.
(nn) A violation of section 5 of 1984 PA 343, MCL 752.365, concerning obscenity.
(oo) A felony violation of the identity theft protection act, 2004 PA 452, MCL 445.61 to 445.79d.
(pp) An offense committed within this state or another state that constitutes racketeering activity as defined in 18 USC 1961(1).
(qq) An offense committed within this state or another state in violation of a law of the United States that is substantially similar to a violation listed in subdivisions (a) through (pp).
(rr) An offense committed in another state in violation of a statute of that state that is substantially similar to a violation listed in subdivisions (a) through (pp).

History: Add. 1995, Act 187, Eff. Apr. 1, 1996 ;-- Am. 1997, Act 75, Imd. Eff. July 17, 1997 ;-- Am. 2002, Act 124, Eff. Apr. 22, 2002 ;-- Am. 2009, Act 82, Imd. Eff. Aug. 31, 2009 ;-- Am. 2010, Act 176, Imd. Eff. Sept. 30, 2010 ;-- Am. 2010, Act 362, Eff. Apr. 1, 2011 ;-- Am. 2012, Act 172, Imd. Eff. June 19, 2012 ;-- Am. 2012, Act 351, Imd. Eff. Dec. 13, 2012 ;-- Am. 2014, Act 300, Eff. Jan. 1, 2015 ;-- Am. 2019, Act 174, Eff. Mar. 19, 2020

CHAPTER XLIV
GAMBLING

750.303a Applicability of chapter; recreational card playing conducted at senior citizen housing facility.

Sec. 303a.

This chapter does not apply to recreational card playing conducted at a senior citizen housing facility not licensed by the liquor control commission by a senior citizens club or a group of residents of a senior citizen housing facility that consists of at least 15 members who are 60 years of age or older under all of the following circumstances:

(a) The card playing is conducted solely for the amusement and recreation of the members and guests of the club or group and is not conducted for fund-raising. The number of guests participating in the card playing shall not exceed the number of club or group members participating in the card playing.
(b) Only bona fide members and employees of the club or group participate in the conduct of the activity.
(c) The card playing is conducted after 9 a.m. and before midnight.
(d) The participating cardplayers bet not more than 25 cents per bet.
(e) The winnings from 1 hand of cards do not exceed $5.00.
(f) Except for winnings, revenue generated from the activity is used for reasonable expenses incurred in conducting the card playing, and no person is compensated for participating in the conduct of the card playing.

History: Added 1996, Act 539, Eff. Jan. 14, 1997.

750.310a Applicability of chapter; bowling game or bowling card game.

Sec. 310a.

(1) Subject to subsection (3), this chapter does not apply to a bowling game or a bowling card game conducted in a bowling center to which all of the following apply:
(a) The total amount of the participation fee per person per game does not exceed $5.00.
(b) The total prize payout per league per game does not exceed $1,000.00 and is comprised only of participation fees.

(2) This section applies only to a game that is sponsored solely by 1 league and whose participants are members of the same league.
(3) The bowling center in which the bowling game or bowling card game is conducted shall not receive a percentage of the participation fees or prize money from bowling games or bowling card games for which a stake or prize is awarded.
(4) As used in this section:
    (a) “Bowling center” means a bowling alley with a minimum of 5 lanes.
    (b) “Bowling card game” means a card game held in conjunction with a bowling game, the results of which depend on the outcome of the bowling game. Bowling card game does not include any of the following:
        (i) A mechanical or electronic simulation of a bowling card game.
        (ii) Roulette, beano, cards unless used in a bowling card game, dice, wheels of fortune, video poker, slot machines, or other similar games in which winning depends primarily upon fortuitous or accidental circumstances beyond the control of the player.
        (iii) A game that includes a mechanical or physical device that directly or indirectly impairs or thwarts the skill of the player.
    (c) “Bowling game” means not more than 3 sets of 10 frames of bowling. Bowling game does not include any of the following:
        (i) A mechanical or electronic simulation of a bowling game.
        (ii) Roulette, beano, cards unless used in a bowling card game, dice, wheels of fortune, video poker, slot machines, or other similar games in which winning depends primarily upon fortuitous or accidental circumstances beyond the control of the player.
        (iii) A game that includes a mechanical or physical device which directly or indirectly impairs or thwarts the skill of the player.
    (d) “Participation fee” means a fee that is charged by the league to a participant in a game for which a stake or prize is awarded.

History: Added 1996, Act 539, Eff. Jan. 14, 1997;-Am. 1998, Act 338, Eff. Sept. 30, 1998.

750.310b Applicability of chapter; redemption game.

Sec. 310b.

(1) This chapter does not apply to a redemption game if all of the following conditions are met:
    (a) The outcome of the game is determined through the application of an element of skill by the player.
    (b) The award of the prize is based upon the player's achieving the object of the game or otherwise upon the player's score.
    (c) Only noncash prizes, toys, novelties, or coupons or other representations of value redeemable for noncash prizes, toys, or novelties are awarded. A gift card may be awarded under this subdivision if all of the following apply:
        (i) The gift card is usable only at a retailer or an affiliated group of retailers.
        (ii) The gift card is issued in a specified amount.
        (iii) The gift card is redeemable only for goods and services available from the retailer or retailers and not for cash.
        (iv) Information on the gift card may not be altered with the use of a personal identification number.
    (d) The wholesale value of a prize, toy, or novelty awarded for the successful single play of a game is not more than $3.75.
    (e) The redemption value of coupons or other representations of value awarded for the successful single play of a game does not exceed 15 times the amount charged for a single play of the game or a $3.75-per-play average, whichever is less. However, players may accumulate coupons or other representations of value for redemption for noncash prizes, toys, or novelties of a greater value up to, but not exceeding, $500.00 wholesale value.
(2) As used in this section, "redemption game" means a single player or multiplayer mechanical, electronic, or manual amusement device involving a game, the object of which is throwing, rolling,

bowling, shooting, placing, propelling, or stopping a ball or other object into, upon, or against a hole or other target. Redemption game does not include either of the following:

(a) A game such as roulette, beano, cards, dice, wheel of fortune, video poker, a slot machine, or another game in which winning depends primarily upon fortuitous or accidental circumstances beyond the control of the player.

(b) A game that includes a mechanical or physical device that directly or indirectly impairs or thwarts the skill of the player.

History: Add. 1996, Act 539, Imd. Eff. Jan. 14, 1997; -- Am. 2010, Act 219, Imd. Eff. Dec. 9, 2010

THE MICHIGAN VEHICLE CODE (EXCERPTS)

AN ACT to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled “An act to provide for the registration, titling, sale, transfer, and regulation of certain vehicles operated upon the public highways of this state or any other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles and distressed vehicles; to provide for the licensing of dealers; to provide for the examination, licensing, and control of operators and chauffeurs; to provide for the giving of proof of financial responsibility and security by owners and operators of vehicles; to provide for the imposition, levy, and collection of specific taxes on vehicles, and the levy and collection of sales and use taxes, license fees, and permit fees; to provide for the regulation and use of streets and highways; to create certain funds; to provide penalties and sanctions for a violation of this act; to provide for civil liability of owners and operators of vehicles and service of process on residents and nonresidents; to provide for the levy of certain assessments; to provide for the enforcement of this act; to provide for the creation of and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies; to repeal all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act or contrary to this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on a specific date.”

257.7b “Commercial quadricycle” defined.

Sec. 7b.

"Commercial quadricycle" means a vehicle that satisfies all of the following:

(a) The vehicle has fully operative pedals for propulsion entirely by human power.
(b) The vehicle has at least 4 wheels and is operated in a manner similar to a bicycle.
(c) The vehicle has at least 6 seats for passengers.
(d) The vehicle is designed to be occupied by a driver and powered either by passengers providing pedal power to the drive train of the vehicle or by a motor capable of propelling the vehicle in the absence of human power.
(e) The vehicle is used for commercial purposes.
(f) The vehicle is operated by the owner of the vehicle or an employee of the owner of the vehicle.

History: Add. 2015, Act 127, Imd. Eff. July 15, 2015

257.33 “Motor vehicle” defined.

Sec. 33.

"Motor vehicle" means every vehicle that is self-propelled, but for purposes of chapter 4, motor vehicle does not include industrial equipment such as a forklift, a front-end loader, or other construction equipment that is not subject to registration under this act. Motor vehicle does not include a power-driven mobility device when that power-driven mobility device is being used by an individual with a mobility disability. Motor vehicle does not include an electric patrol vehicle being operated in compliance with the electric patrol vehicle act, 1997 PA 55, MCL 257.1571 to 257.1577. Motor vehicle does not include an electric personal assistive mobility device. Motor vehicle does not include an electric carriage. Motor vehicle does not include a commercial quadricycle. Motor vehicle does not include an electric bicycle. Motor vehicle does not include an electric skateboard.

History: 1949, Act 300, Eff. Sept. 23, 1949 ;-- Am. 1993, Act 300, Eff. Jan. 1, 1994 ;-- Am. 1995, Act 140, Imd. Eff. July 10, 1995 ;-- Am. 1997, Act 56, Imd. Eff. July 1, 1997 ;-- Am. 2002, Act 494, Imd. Eff. July 3, 2002 ;-- Am. 2013, Act 36, Imd. Eff. May 21, 2013 ;-- Am. 2015, Act 127, Imd. Eff. July 15, 2015 ;-- Am. 2017, Act 139, Eff. Jan. 28, 2018 ;-- Am. 2018, Act 204, Eff. Sept. 18, 2018 ;-- Am. 2018, Act 391, Eff. Mar. 19, 2019

257.319 Mandatory suspension of license; record of conviction for certain crimes; waiver; restricted license; prior convictions; violations arising out of same transaction.

Sec. 319.

(1) The secretary of state shall immediately suspend an individual's license as provided in this section on receiving a record of the individual’s conviction for a crime described in this section, whether the

conviction is under a law of this state, a local ordinance that substantially corresponds to a law of this state, a law of another state that substantially corresponds to a law of this state, or, beginning October 31, 2010, a law of the United States that substantially corresponds to a law of this state.

(2) The secretary of state shall suspend the individual's license for 1 year for any of the following crimes:
    (a) Fraudulently altering or forging documents pertaining to motor vehicles in violation of section 257.
    (b) A violation of section 413 of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.413.
    (c) A felony in which a motor vehicle was used. As used in this section, "felony in which a motor vehicle was used" means a felony during the commission of which the individual convicted operated a motor vehicle and while operating the vehicle presented real or potential harm to individuals or property and 1 or more of the following circumstances existed:
        (i) The vehicle was used as an instrument of the felony.
        (ii) The vehicle was used to transport a victim of the felony.
        (iii) The vehicle was used to flee the scene of the felony.
        (iv) The vehicle was necessary for the commission of the felony.
    (d) A violation of section 602a(2) or (3) or section 479a(2) or (3) of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.479a.
    (e) Beginning October 31, 2010, a violation of section 601d.

(3) The secretary of state shall suspend the individual's license for 90 days for any of the following crimes:
    (a) Failing to stop and disclose identity at the scene of an accident resulting in injury in violation of section 617a.
    (b) A violation of section 601b(2), section 601c(1), section 653a(3), section 626 before October 31, 2010, or, beginning October 31, 2010, section 626(2).
    (c) Malicious destruction resulting from the operation of a vehicle under section 382(1)(b), (c), or (d) of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.382.

(4) The secretary of state shall suspend the individual's license for 30 days for malicious destruction resulting from the operation of a vehicle under section 382(1)(a) of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.382.

(5) For perjury or making a false certification to the secretary of state under any law requiring the registration of a motor vehicle or regulating the operation of a vehicle on a highway, or for conduct prohibited under section 324(1) or a local ordinance that substantially corresponds to section 324(1), the secretary of state shall suspend the individual's license as follows:
    (a) If the individual has no prior conviction for an offense described in this subsection within 7 years, for 90 days.
    (b) If the individuals has 1 or more prior convictions for an offense described in this subsection within 7 years, for 1 year.

(6) For a violation of section 414 of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.414, the secretary of state shall suspend the individual's license as follows:
    (a) If the individual has no prior conviction for that offense within 7 years, for 90 days.
    (b) If the individual has 1 or more prior convictions for that offense within 7 years, for 1 year.

(7) For a violation of section 624a or 624b, the secretary of state shall suspend the individual's license as follows:
    (a) If the individual has 1 prior conviction for an offense described in section 624a or 624b, for 90 days. The secretary of state may issue the individual a restricted license after the first 30 days of suspension.
    (b) If the individual has 2 or more prior convictions for an offense described in section 624a or 624b, for 1 year. The secretary of state may issue the individual a restricted license after the first 60 days of suspension.

(8) The secretary of state shall suspend the individual's license for a violation of section 625 or 625m as follows:
    (a) For 180 days for a violation of section 625(1) or (8) before October 31, 2010 or, beginning October 31, 2010, section 625(1)(a) or (b) or (8) if the individual has no prior convictions within 7 years. The secretary of state may issue the individual a restricted license during a specified portion of the suspension, except that the secretary of state shall not issue a restricted license during the first 30 days of suspension.
    (b) For 90 days for a violation of section 625(3) if the individual has no prior convictions within

7 years. However, if the individual is convicted of a violation of section 625(3), for operating a vehicle when, due to the consumption of a controlled substance or a combination of alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance, the individual's ability to operate the vehicle was visibly impaired, the secretary of state shall suspend the individual's license under this subdivision for 180 days. The secretary of state may issue the individual a restricted license during all or a specified portion of the suspension.

(c) For 30 days for a violation of section 625(6) if the individual has no prior convictions within 7 years. The secretary of state may issue the individual a restricted license during all or a specified portion of the suspension.

(d) For 90 days for a violation of section 625(6) if the individual has 1 or more prior convictions for that offense within 7 years.

(e) For 180 days for a violation of section 625(7) if the individual has no prior convictions within 7 years. The secretary of state may issue the individual a restricted license after the first 90 days of suspension.

(f) For 90 days for a violation of section 625m if the individual has no prior convictions within 7 years. The secretary of state may issue the individual a restricted license during all or a specified portion of the suspension.

(g) Beginning October 31, 2010, for 1 year for a violation of section 625(1)(c) if the individual has no prior convictions within 7 years or not more than 2 convictions within 10 years. The secretary of state may issue the individual a restricted license, except that the secretary of state shall not issue a restricted license during the first 45 days of suspension.

(h) Beginning October 31, 2010, the department shall order an individual convicted of violating section 625(1)(c) not to operate a motor vehicle under a restricted license issued under subdivision (g) unless the vehicle is equipped with an ignition interlock device approved, certified, and installed as required under sections 625k and 625l. The ignition interlock device may be removed after the interlock device provider provides the department with verification that the individual has operated the vehicle with no instances of reaching or exceeding a blood alcohol level of 0.025 grams per 210 liters of breath. This subdivision does not prohibit the removal of the ignition interlock device for any of the following:

    (i) A start-up test failure that occurs within the first 2 months after installation of the device. As used in this subdivision, "start-up test failure" means that the ignition interlock device has prevented the motor vehicle from being started. Multiple unsuccessful attempts at 1 time to start the vehicle are treated as 1 start-up test failure only under this subparagraph.

    (ii) A start-up test failure occurring more than 2 months after installation of the device, if not more than 15 minutes after detecting the start-up test failure the individual delivers a breath sample that the ignition interlock device analyzes as having an alcohol level of less than 0.025 grams per 210 liters of breath.

    (iii) A retest prompted by the device, if not more than 5 minutes after detecting the retest failure the individual delivers a breath sample that the ignition interlock device analyzes as having an alcohol level of less than 0.025 grams per 210 liters of breath.

(i) Beginning October 31, 2010, if an individual violates the conditions of the restricted license issued under subdivision (g) or operates or attempts to operate a motor vehicle with a blood alcohol level of 0.025 grams per 210 liters of breath, the secretary of state shall impose an additional like period of suspension and restriction as prescribed under subdivision (g). This subdivision does not require an additional like period of suspension and restriction for any of the following:

    (i) A start-up test failure within the first 2 months after installation of the ignition interlock device. As used in this subdivision, "start-up test failure" means that the ignition interlock device has prevented the motor vehicle from being started. Multiple unsuccessful attempts at 1 time to start the vehicle are treated as 1 start-up test failure only under this subparagraph.

    (ii) A start-up test failure occurring more than 2 months after installation of the device, if not more than 15 minutes after detecting the start-up test failure the individual delivers a breath sample that the ignition interlock device analyzes as having an alcohol level of less than 0.025 grams per 210 liters of breath.

    (iii) Any retest prompted by the device, if not more than 5 minutes after detecting the retest failure the individual delivers a breath sample that the ignition interlock

device analyzes as having an alcohol level of less than 0.025 grams per 210 liters of breath.

(9) For a violation of section 367c of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.367c, the secretary of state shall suspend the individual's license as follows:
   (a) If the individual has no prior conviction for an offense described in this subsection within 7 years, for 6 months.
   (b) If the individual has 1 or more convictions for an offense described in this subsection within 7 years, for 1 year.

(10) For a violation of section 315(4), the secretary of state may suspend the individual's license for 6 months.

(11) Except as provided in subsection (13), a suspension under this section must be imposed notwithstanding a court order unless the court order complies with section 323.

(12) If the secretary of state receives records of more than 1 conviction of an individual that results from the same incident, a suspension must be imposed only for the violation to which the longest period of suspension applies under this section.

(13) The secretary of state may waive a restriction, suspension, or revocation of an individual's license imposed under this act if the individual submits proof that a court in another state revoked, suspended, or restricted his or her license for a period equal to or greater than the period of a restriction, suspension, or revocation prescribed under this act for the violation and that the revocation, suspension, or restriction was served for the violation, or may grant a restricted license.

(14) The secretary of state shall not issue a restricted license to an individual whose license is suspended under this section unless a restricted license is authorized under this section and the individual is otherwise eligible for a license.

(15) The secretary of state shall not issue a restricted license to an individual under subsection (8) that would permit the individual to operate a commercial motor vehicle.

(16) Except as provided in subsection (17), a restricted license issued under this section must permit the individual to whom it is issued to take any driving skills test required by the secretary of state and to operate a vehicle under 1 or more of the following circumstances:
   (a) In the course of the individual's employment or occupation.
   (b) To and from any combination of the following:
      (i) The individual's residence.
      (ii) The individual's work location.
      (iii) An alcohol or drug education or treatment program as ordered by the court.
      (iv) The court probation department.
      (v) A court-ordered community service program.
      (vi) An educational institution at which the individual is enrolled as a student.
      (vii) A place of regularly occurring medical treatment for a serious condition for the individual or a member of the individual's household or immediate family.
      (viii) An ignition interlock service provider as required.

(17) While driving with a restricted license, the individual shall carry proof of his or her destination and the hours of any employment, class, or other reason for traveling and shall display that proof upon a peace officer's request.

(18) Subject to subsection (20), as used in subsection (8), "prior conviction" means a conviction for any of the following, whether under a law of this state, a local ordinance that substantially corresponds to a law of this state, or a law of another state that substantially corresponds to a law of this state:
   (a) Except as provided in subsection (19), a violation or attempted violation of any of the following:
      (i) Section 625, except a violation of section 625(2), or a violation of any prior enactment of section 625 in which the defendant operated a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating or alcoholic liquor or a controlled substance, or a combination of intoxicating or alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance, or while visibly impaired, or with an unlawful bodily alcohol content.
      (ii) Section 625m.
      (iii) Former section 625b.
   (b) Negligent homicide, manslaughter, or murder that results from the operation of a vehicle or an attempt to commit any of those crimes.
   (c) Beginning October 31, 2010, a violation of section 601d or section 626(3) or (4).

(19) Except for purposes of the suspensions described in subsection (8)(c) and (d), only 1 violation or attempted violation of section 625(6), a local ordinance that substantially corresponds to section

625(6), or a law of another state that substantially corresponds to section 625(6) may be used as a prior conviction.

(20) If 2 or more convictions described in subsection (18) are convictions for violations arising out of the same transaction, only 1 conviction must be used to determine whether the individual has a prior conviction.

(21) Any period of suspension or restriction required under this section is not subject to appeal to the secretary of state.

History: 1949, Act 300, Eff. Sept. 23, 1949 ;-- Am. 1951, Act 270, Eff. Sept. 28, 1951 ;-- Am. 1967, Act 226, Eff. Nov. 2, 1967 ;-- Am. 1976, Act 285, Eff. Apr. 1, 1977 ;-- Am. 1980, Act 398, Eff. Mar. 31, 1981 ;-- Am. 1980, Act 518, Eff. Mar. 31, 1981 ;-- Am. 1981, Act 159, Eff. Mar. 31, 1982 ;-- Am. 1981, Act 222, Imd. Eff. Jan. 5, 1982 ;-- Am. 1982, Act 64, Eff. Mar. 30, 1983 ;-- Am. 1982, Act 310, Eff. Mar. 30, 1983 ;-- Am. 1986, Act 177, Imd. Eff. July 7, 1986 ;-- Am. 1988, Act 205, Eff. July 1, 1988 ;-- Am. 1988, Act 406, Eff. Mar. 30, 1989 ;-- Am. 1991, Act 93, Eff. Jan. 1, 1992 ;-- Am. 1993, Act 359, Eff. Sept. 1, 1994 ;-- Am. 1994, Act 211, Eff. Nov. 1, 1994 ;-- Am. 1994, Act 449, Eff. May 1, 1995 ;-- Am. 1996, Act 493, Eff. Apr. 1, 1997 ;-- Am. 1996, Act 587, Eff. June 1, 1997 ;-- Am. 1998, Act 347, Eff. Oct. 1, 1999 ;-- Am. 1999, Act 118, Eff. Apr. 1, 2000 ;-- Am. 1999, Act 267, Imd. Eff. Dec. 29, 1999 ;-- Am. 2000, Act 152, Imd. Eff. June 12, 2000 ;-- Am. 2000, Act 460, Eff. Mar. 28, 2001 ;-- Am. 2001, Act 103, Eff. Oct. 1, 2001 ;-- Am. 2001, Act 134, Eff. Feb. 1, 2002 ;-- Am. 2001, Act 159, Eff. Feb. 1, 2002 ;-- Am. 2002, Act 422, Eff. Oct. 1, 2002 ;-- Am. 2002, Act 534, Eff. Oct. 1, 2002 ;-- Am. 2003, Act 61, Eff. Sept. 30, 2003 ;-- Am. 2004, Act 362, Imd. Eff. Oct. 4, 2004 ;-- Am. 2008, Act 462, Eff. Oct. 31, 2010 ;-- Am. 2008, Act 463, Eff. Oct. 31, 2010 ;-- Am. 2010, Act 155, Eff. Jan. 1, 2011 ;-- Am. 2010, Act 267, Eff. June 30, 2011 ;-- Am. 2012, Act 306, Imd. Eff. Oct. 1, 2012 ;-- Am. 2015, Act 11, Eff. July 8, 2015 ;-- Am. 2016, Act 32, Eff. June 6, 2016 ;-- Am. 2016, Act 358, Eff. Jan. 1, 2018;-- Am. 2020, Act 376, Eff. Oct. 1, 2021

Compiler's Notes: Section 2 of Act 310 of 1982 provides: "All proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing, acquired, or incurred at the time this amendatory act takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law in force when they are commenced. This amendatory act shall not be construed to affect any prosecution pending or initiated before the effective date of this amendatory act, or initiated after the effective date of this amendatory act for an offense committed before that effective date."Section 2 of Act 205 of 1988 provides: "This amendatory act shall take effect July 1, 1988 and apply to violations which occur on or after that date."Enacting section 1 of Act 32 of 2016 provides:"Enacting section 1. R 257.1005 and R 257.1006 of the Michigan Administrative Code are rescinded."

257.518a Commercial quadricycle; liability insurance; minimum limit.

Sec. 518a.

The owner of a commercial quadricycle shall furnish bodily injury and property damage liability insurance with a minimum combined single limit of $2,000,000.00 for all persons injured or for property damage.

History: Add. 2015, Act 126, Imd. Eff. July 15, 2015

257.624a Transportation or possession of alcoholic liquor in open or uncapped container open or upon which seal broken; violation as misdemeanor; exception; subsections (1) and (2) inapplicable to passenger in commercial quadricycle; definitions.

Sec. 624a.

(1) Except as provided in subsections (2) and (5), a person who is an operator or occupant shall not transport or possess alcoholic liquor in a container that is open or uncapped or upon which the seal is broken within the passenger area of a vehicle upon a highway, or within the passenger area of a moving vehicle in any place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles, including an area designated for the parking of vehicles, in this state.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (5), a person may transport or possess alcoholic liquor in a container that is open or uncapped or upon which the seal is broken within the passenger area of a vehicle upon a highway or other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles, including an area designated for the parking of vehicles in this state, if the vehicle does not have a trunk or compartment separate from the passenger area, and the container is in a locked glove compartment, behind the last upright seat, or in an area not normally occupied by the operator or a passenger.

(3) A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor. As part of the sentence, the person may be ordered to perform community service and undergo substance abuse screening and assessment at his or her own expense as described in section 703(1) of the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1703. A court shall not accept a plea of guilty or nolo contendere for a violation of this section from a person charged solely with a violation of section 625(6).

(4) This section does not apply to a passenger in a chartered vehicle authorized to operate by the state transportation department.

(5) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, unless prohibited by local ordinance, subsections (1) and (2) do not apply to a passenger in a commercial quadricycle. A passenger in a commercial quadricycle shall not transport or possess alcoholic liquor other than beer, wine, spirits, or a mixed spirits drink.

(6) As used in this section:

(a) "Glove compartment" means a recess with a hinged and locking door in the dashboard of a motor vehicle.
(b) "Passenger area" means the area designed to seat the operator and passengers of a motor vehicle while it is in operation and any area that is readily accessible to the operator or a passenger while in his or her seating position, including the glove compartment.

History: Add. 1991, Act 98, Eff. Jan. 1, 1992 ;-- Am. 1994, Act 211, Eff. Nov. 1, 1994 ;-- Am. 1996, Act 493, Eff. Apr. 1, 1997 ;-- Am. 1998, Act 349, Eff. Oct. 1, 1999 ;-- Am. 2012, Act 306, Imd. Eff. Oct. 1, 2012; -- Am. 2015, Act 126, Imd. Eff. July 15, 2015

257.624b Transport or possession of alcoholic liquor by person less than 21 years of age.

Sec. 624b.

(1) A person less than 21 years of age shall not knowingly transport or possess alcoholic liquor in a motor vehicle as an operator or occupant unless the person is employed by a licensee under the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1101 to 436.2303, a common carrier designated by the liquor control commission under the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1101 to 436.2303, the liquor control commission, or an agent of the liquor control commission and is transporting or having the alcoholic liquor in a motor vehicle under the person's control during regular working hours and in the course of the person's employment. This section does not prevent a person less than 21 years of age from knowingly transporting alcoholic liquor in a motor vehicle if a person at least 21 years of age is present inside the motor vehicle. A person who violates this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor. As part of the sentence, the person may be ordered to perform community service and undergo substance abuse screening and assessment at his or her own expense as described in section 703(1) of the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1703.
(2) Within 30 days after the conviction for a violation of subsection (1) by the operator of a motor vehicle, which conviction has become final, the arresting law enforcement officer or the officer's superior may make a complaint before the court from which the warrant was issued. The complaint shall be under oath and shall describe the motor vehicle in which alcoholic liquor was possessed or transported by the operator, who is less than 21 years of age, in committing the violation and requesting that the motor vehicle be impounded as provided in this section. Upon the filing of the complaint, the court shall issue to the owner of the motor vehicle an order to show cause why the motor vehicle should not be impounded. The order to show cause shall fix a date and time for a hearing, which shall not be less than 10 days after the issuance of the order. The order shall be served by delivering a true copy to the owner not less than 3 full days before the date of hearing or, if the owner cannot be located, by sending a true copy by certified mail to the last known address of the owner. If the owner is a nonresident of the state, service may be made upon the secretary of state as provided in section 403.
(3) If the court determines upon the hearing of the order to show cause, from competent and relevant evidence, that at the time of the commission of the violation the motor vehicle was being driven by the person less than 21 years of age with the express or implied consent or knowledge of the owner in violation of subsection (1), and that the use of the motor vehicle is not needed by the owner in the direct pursuit of the owner's employment or the actual operation of the owner's business, the court may authorize the impounding of the vehicle for a period of not less than 15 days or more than 30 days. The court's order authorizing the impounding of the vehicle shall authorize a law enforcement officer to take possession without other process of the motor vehicle wherever located and to store the vehicle in a public or private garage at the expense and risk of the owner of the vehicle. The owner of the vehicle may appeal the order to the circuit court and the provisions governing the taking of appeals from judgments for damages apply to the appeal. This section does not prevent a bona fide lienholder from exercising rights under a lien.
(4) A person who knowingly transfers title to a motor vehicle for the purpose of avoiding this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.
(5) A law enforcement agency, upon determining that a person less than 18 years of age allegedly violated this section, shall notify the parent or parents, custodian, or guardian of the person as to the nature of the violation if the name of a parent, guardian, or custodian is reasonably ascertainable by the law enforcement agency. The notice required by this subsection shall be made

not later than 48 hours after the law enforcement agency determines that the person who allegedly violated this section is less than 18 years of age and may be made in person, by telephone, or by first-class mail.

History: Added 1996, Act 493, Eff. Apr. 1, 1997;-Am. 1998, Act 349, Eff. Oct. 1, 1999; Am. 2003, Act 61, Eff. Sept 30, 2003.

257.625p Operation of commercial quadricycle by person with certain alcohol content; prohibition; violation as misdemeanor; penalty.

Sec. 625p.

(1) A person, whether licensed or not, who has an alcohol content of greater than 0.00 grams per 100 milliliters of blood, per 210 liters of breath, or per 67 milliliters of urine shall not operate a commercial quadricycle within this state.
(2) A person who is convicted of a violation of this section or a local ordinance substantially corresponding to this section is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by 1 of the following:
    (a) If the person has an alcohol content of at least 0.04 grams per 100 milliliters of blood, per 210 liters of breath, or per 67 milliliters of urine, imprisonment for not more than 93 days or a fine of not more than $300.00, or both, together with costs of the prosecution.
    (b) If the person has an alcohol content of greater than 0.00 grams, but less than 0.04 grams, per 100 milliliters of blood, per 210 liters of breath, or per 67 milliliters of urine, a fine of not more than $300.00, together with costs of the prosecution.

History: Add. 2015, Act 126, Imd. Eff. July 15, 2015

257.657 Rights and duties of persons riding bicycle, electric personal assistive mobility device, moped, low-speed vehicle, or commercial quadricycle.

Sec. 657.

Each person riding a bicycle, electric bicycle, electric personal assistive mobility device, electric skateboard, or moped or operating a low-speed vehicle or commercial quadricycle upon a roadway has all of the rights and is subject to all of the duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle under this chapter, except for special regulations in this article and except for the provisions of this chapter that by their nature do not apply.

History: 1949, Act 300, Eff. Sept. 23, 1949; -- Am. 1976, Act 439, Imd. Eff. Jan. 13, 1977; -- Am. 2000, Act 82, Eff. July 1, 2000; -- Am. 2002, Act 494, Imd. Eff. July 3, 2002; -- Am. 2015, Act 126, Imd. Eff. July 15, 2015;-- Am. 2017, Act 139, Eff. Jan. 28, 2018 ;-- Am. 2018, Act 204, Eff. Sept. 18, 2018

257.660 Electric personal assistive mobility device, low-speed vehicle, or moped; operation; limitations; applicability to police officer; regulation by local government; prohibitions; regulation by department of natural resources.

Sec. 660.

(1) A person operating an electric personal assistive mobility device, low-speed vehicle, electric skateboard, or moped upon a roadway shall ride as near to the right side of the roadway as practicable and shall exercise due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction. A motorcycle is entitled to full use of a lane, and a motor vehicle shall not be driven in such a manner as to deprive a motorcycle of the full use of a lane. This subsection does not apply to motorcycles operated 2 abreast in a single lane.
(2) A person riding an electric personal assistive mobility device, motorcycle, electric skateboard, or moped upon a roadway shall not ride more than 2 abreast except on a path or part of a roadway set aside for the exclusive use of those vehicles.
(3) Where a usable and designated path for bicycles is provided adjacent to a highway or street, a person operating an electric personal assistive mobility device or electric skateboard may, by local ordinance, be required to use that path.
(4) A person operating a motorcycle, moped, low-speed vehicle, electric personal assistive mobility device, or electric skateboard shall not pass between lines of traffic, but may pass on the left of traffic moving in his or her direction in the case of a 2-way street or on the left or right of traffic in the case of a 1-way street, in an unoccupied lane.

(5) A person operating an electric personal assistive mobility device or electric skateboard on a sidewalk constructed for the use of pedestrians shall yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian and shall give an audible signal before overtaking and passing the pedestrian.
(6) A moped, low-speed vehicle, or commercial quadricycle shall not be operated on a sidewalk constructed for the use of pedestrians.
(7) A low-speed vehicle or commercial quadricycle shall be operated at a speed of not more than 25 miles per hour. A low-speed vehicle shall not be operated on a highway or street with a speed limit of more than 35 miles per hour except for the purpose of crossing that highway or street. A commercial quadricycle shall not be operated on a highway or street with a speed limit of more than 45 miles per hour except for the purpose of crossing that highway or street. An individual shall not operate a commercial quadricycle that is equipped with a motor unless he or she has a valid operator's license issued under this act. The state transportation department may prohibit the operation of a low-speed vehicle or commercial quadricycle on any highway or street under its jurisdiction if it determines that the prohibition is necessary in the interest of public safety.
(8) This section does not apply to a police officer in the performance of his or her official duties.
(9) An electric personal assistive mobility device shall be operated at a speed of not more than 15 miles per hour and shall not be operated on a highway or street with a speed limit of more than 25 miles per hour except to cross that highway or street.
(10) An electric skateboard shall be operated at a speed of not more than 25 miles per hour. An electric skateboard that does not have handlebars shall not be operated on a highway or street with a speed limit of more than 25 miles per hour except to cross that highway or street, and an electric skateboard equipped with handlebars shall not be operated on a highway or street with a speed limit of more than 45 miles per hour except to cross that highway or street.
(11) The governing body of a county, a city, a village, an entity created under the urban cooperation act of 1967, 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 7, MCL 124.501 to 124.512, or a township may, by ordinance based on the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens, regulate the operation of electric personal assistive mobility devices, electric skateboards, or commercial quadricycles on sidewalks, highways or streets, or crosswalks. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a governing body of a county, city, village, entity created under the urban cooperation act of 1967, 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 7, MCL 124.501 to 124.512, or township may prohibit the operation of electric personal assistive mobility devices, electric skateboards or commercial quadricycles in an area open to pedestrian traffic adjacent to a waterfront or on a trail under its jurisdiction or in a downtown or central business district. Signs indicating the regulation shall be conspicuously posted in the area where the use of an electric personal assistive mobility device, electric skateboard, or commercial quadricycle is regulated.
(12) Operation of an electric personal assistive mobility device or electric skateboard is prohibited in a special charter city and a state park under the jurisdiction of the Mackinac Island State Park commission.
(13) Operation of an electric personal assistive mobility device or electric skateboard may be prohibited in a historic district.
(14) The department of natural resources may by order regulate the use of electric personal assistive mobility devices or electric skateboards on all lands under its control.

History: 1949, Act 300, Eff. Sept. 23, 1949 ;-- Am. 1966, Act 207, Eff. Mar. 10, 1967 ;-- Am. 1969, Act 134, Eff. June 1, 1970 ;-- Am. 1975, Act 209, Imd. Eff. Aug. 25, 1975 ;-- Am. 1975, Act 273, Eff. Mar. 31, 1976 ;-- Am. 1976, Act 439, Imd. Eff. Jan. 13, 1977 ;-- Am. 1994, Act 348, Eff. Mar. 30, 1995 ;-- Am. 2000, Act 82, Eff. July 1, 2000 ;-- Am. 2002, Act 494, Imd. Eff. July 3, 2002 ;-- Am. 2006, Act 339, Imd. Eff. Aug. 15, 2006 ;-- Am. 2015, Act 126, Imd. Eff. July 15, 2015 ;-- Am. 2018, Act 204, Eff. Sept. 18, 2018 ;-- Am. 2018, Act 394, Eff. Mar. 19, 2019

Compiler's Notes: For transfer of powers and duties of department of natural resources to department of natural resources and environment, and abolishment of department of natural resources, see E.R.O. No. 2009-31, compiled at MCL 324.99919.For transfer of powers and duties of department of natural resources and environment to department of natural resources, see E.R.O. No. 2011-1, compiled at MCL 324.99921.

257.662 Bicycle, electric personal assistive mobility device, or commercial quadricycle; equipment; violation as civil infraction.

Sec. 662.

(1) A bicycle, electric personal assistive mobility device, electric skateboard, or commercial quadricycle being operated on a roadway between 1/2 hour after sunset and 1/2 hour before sunrise shall be equipped with a lamp on the front that emits a white light visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the front and with a red reflector on the rear that shall be visible from all distances from 100 feet to 600 feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful lower beams of head lamps on a motor vehicle.

A lamp emitting a red light visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear may be used in addition to the red reflector.

(2) A bicycle shall be equipped with a brake that enables the operator to make the braked wheels skid on dry, level, clean pavement.

(3) An electric personal assistive mobility device, electric skateboard, or commercial quadricycle shall enable the operator to bring it to a controlled stop.

(4) A person shall not sell, offer for sale, or deliver for sale in this state a bicycle or a pedal for use on a bicycle, either of which was manufactured after January 1, 1976, unless it is equipped with a type of reflex reflector located on the front and rear surfaces of the pedal. The reflector elements may be either integral with the construction of the pedal or mechanically attached, but shall be sufficiently recessed from the edge of the pedal, or of the reflector housing, to prevent contact of the reflector element with a flat surface placed in contact with the edge of the pedal. The pedal reflectors shall be visible from the front and rear of the bicycle during the nighttime from a distance of 200 feet when directly exposed to the lower beam head lamps of a motor vehicle.

(5) A person shall not sell, offer for sale, or deliver for sale in this state a bicycle manufactured after January 1, 1976 or an electric personal assistive mobility device unless it is equipped with either tires that have reflective sidewalls or with wide-angle prismatic spoke reflectors. If the bicycle or the electric personal assistive mobility device is manufactured with reflective sidewalls, the reflective portion of the sidewall shall form a continuous circle on the sidewall, and may not be removed from the tire without removal of tire material. If the bicycle is equipped with wide-angle prismatic spoke reflectors, the reflectors of the front wheel shall be essentially colorless or amber, and the reflectors on the rear wheel shall be essentially colorless or red. Reflective sidewalls or spoke reflectors shall cause the bicycle to be visible from all distances from 100 feet to 600 feet when viewed under lawful low beam motor vehicle head lamps under normal atmospheric conditions.

(6) A person who violates subsection (1) or (2) is responsible for a civil infraction.

History: 1949, Act 300, Eff. Sept. 23, 1949 ;-- Am. 1975, Act 209, Imd. Eff. Aug. 25, 1975 ;-- Am. 1978, Act 510, Eff. Aug. 1, 1979 ;-- Am. 2000, Act 131, Imd. Eff. June 1, 2000 ;-- Am. 2002, Act 494, Imd. Eff. July 3, 2002 ;-- Am. 2015, Act 126, Imd. Eff. July 15, 2015 ;-- Am. 2018, Act 204, Eff. Sept. 18, 2018

257.901 Violation as misdemeanor; penalty; civil infraction.

Sec. 901.

(1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3), it is a misdemeanor for a person to violate this act, unless that violation is by this act or other law of this state declared to be a felony or a civil infraction.

(2) Unless another penalty is provided in this act or by the laws of this state, a person convicted of a misdemeanor for the violation of this act shall be punished by a fine of not more than $100.00, or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or both.

(3) Except as otherwise provided in this act, a violation of this act by the owner of a commercial quadricycle arising out of the ownership or operation of the commercial quadricycle is a civil infraction.

History: 1949, Act 300, Eff. Sept. 23, 1949 ;-- Am. 1969, Act 240, Eff. Mar. 20, 1970 ;-- Am. 1978, Act 510, Eff. Aug. 1, 1979 ;-- Am. 2015, Act 126, Imd. Eff. July 15, 2015

257.907 Civil infraction; payment of civil fine and costs; limitation; program of treatment, education, or rehabilitation; sanctions; schedule of civil fines, costs, and assessments; recommended range of civil fines and costs; certification of repair of defective equipment; collection of civil fines or costs; noncompliance with order or judgment; waiver of fine, cost, and assessment; civil infraction arising out of ownership or operation of commercial quadricycle; "moving violation" defined.

Sec. 907.

(1) A violation of this act, or a local ordinance substantially corresponding to a provision of this act, that is designated a civil infraction shall not be considered a lesser included offense of a criminal offense.

(2) If a person is determined under sections 741 to 750 to be responsible or responsible "with

explanation" for a civil infraction under this act or a local ordinance substantially corresponding to a provision of this act, the judge or district court magistrate may order the person to pay a civil fine of not more than $100.00 and costs as provided in subsection (4). However, if the civil infraction was a moving violation that resulted in an at-fault collision with another vehicle, a person, or any other object, the civil fine ordered under this section shall be increased by $25.00 but the total civil fine shall not exceed $100.00. However, for a violation of section 602b, the person shall be ordered to pay costs as provided in subsection (4) and a civil fine of $100.00 for a first offense and $200.00 for a second or subsequent offense. For a violation of section 674(1)(s) or a local ordinance substantially corresponding to section 674(1)(s), the person shall be ordered to pay costs as provided in subsection (4) and a civil fine of not less than $100.00 or more than $250.00. For a violation of section 676c, the person shall be ordered to pay costs as provided in subsection (4) and a civil fine of $1,000.00. For a violation of section 328, the civil fine ordered under this subsection shall be not more than $50.00. For a violation of section 710d, the civil fine ordered under this subsection shall not exceed $10.00, subject to subsection (12). For a violation of section 710e, the civil fine and court costs ordered under this subsection shall be $25.00. For a violation of section 682 or a local ordinance substantially corresponding to section 682, the person shall be ordered to pay costs as provided in subsection (4) and a civil fine of not less than $100.00 or more than $500.00. For a violation of section 240, the civil fine ordered under this subsection shall be $15.00. For a violation of section 252a(1), the civil fine ordered under this subsection shall be $50.00. For a violation of section 676a(3), the civil fine ordered under this section shall be not more than $10.00. For a first violation of section 319f(1), the civil fine ordered under this section shall be not less than $2,500.00 or more than $2,750.00; for a second or subsequent violation, the civil fine shall be not less than $5,000.00 or more than $5,500.00. For a violation of section 319g(1)(a), the civil fine ordered under this section shall be not more than $10,000.00. For a violation of section 319g(1)(g), the civil fine ordered under this section shall be not less than $2,750.00 or more than $25,000.00. Permission may be granted for payment of a civil fine and costs to be made within a specified period of time or in specified installments, but unless permission is included in the order or judgment, the civil fine and costs shall be payable immediately.

(3) Except as provided in this subsection, if a person is determined to be responsible or responsible "with explanation" for a civil infraction under this act or a local ordinance substantially corresponding to a provision of this act while driving a commercial motor vehicle, he or she shall be ordered to pay costs as provided in subsection (4) and a civil fine of not more than $250.00.

(4) If a civil fine is ordered under subsection (2) or (3), the judge or district court magistrate shall summarily tax and determine the costs of the action, which are not limited to the costs taxable in ordinary civil actions, and may include all expenses, direct and indirect, to which the plaintiff has been put in connection with the civil infraction, up to the entry of judgment. Costs shall not be ordered in excess of $100.00. A civil fine ordered under subsection (2) or (3) shall not be waived unless costs ordered under this subsection are waived. Except as otherwise provided by law, costs are payable to the general fund of the plaintiff.

(5) In addition to a civil fine and costs ordered under subsection (2) or (3) and subsection (4) and the justice system assessment ordered under subsection (13), the judge or district court magistrate may order the person to attend and complete a program of treatment, education, or rehabilitation.

(6) A district court magistrate shall impose the sanctions permitted under subsections (2), (3), and (5) only to the extent expressly authorized by the chief judge or only judge of the district court district.

(7) Each district of the district court and each municipal court may establish a schedule of civil fines, costs, and assessments to be imposed for civil infractions that occur within the respective district or city. If a schedule is established, it shall be prominently posted and readily available for public inspection. A schedule need not include all violations that are designated by law or ordinance as civil infractions. A schedule may exclude cases on the basis of a defendant's prior record of civil infractions or traffic offenses, or a combination of civil infractions and traffic offenses.

(8) The state court administrator shall annually publish and distribute to each district and court a recommended range of civil fines and costs for first-time civil infractions. This recommendation is not binding upon the courts having jurisdiction over civil infractions but is intended to act as a normative guide for judges and district court magistrates and a basis for public evaluation of disparities in the imposition of civil fines and costs throughout the state.

(9) If a person has received a civil infraction citation for defective safety equipment on a vehicle under section 683, the court shall waive a civil fine, costs, and assessments upon receipt of certification by a law enforcement agency that repair of the defective equipment was made before the appearance date on the citation.

(10) A default in the payment of a civil fine or costs ordered under subsection (2), (3), or (4) or a justice system assessment ordered under subsection (13), or an installment of the fine, costs, or assessment, may be collected by a means authorized for the enforcement of a judgment under chapter 40 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.4001 to 600.4065, or under chapter 60 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.6001 to 600.6098.

(11) If a person fails to comply with an order or judgment issued under this section within the time prescribed by the court, the driver's license of that person shall be suspended under section 321a until full compliance with that order or judgment occurs. In addition to this suspension, the court may also proceed under section 908.

(12) The court may waive any civil fine, cost, or assessment against a person who received a civil infraction citation for a violation of section 710d if the person, before the appearance date on the citation, supplies the court with evidence of acquisition, purchase, or rental of a child seating system meeting the requirements of section 710d.

(13) In addition to any civil fines or costs ordered to be paid under this section, the judge or district court magistrate shall order the defendant to pay a justice system assessment of $40.00 for each civil infraction determination, except for a parking violation or a violation for which the total fine and costs imposed are $10.00 or less. Upon payment of the assessment, the clerk of the court shall transmit the assessment collected to the state treasury to be deposited into the justice system fund created in section 181 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.181. An assessment levied under this subsection is not a civil fine for purposes of section 909.

(14) If a person has received a citation for a violation of section 223, the court shall waive any civil fine, costs, and assessment, upon receipt of certification by a law enforcement agency that the person, before the appearance date on the citation, produced a valid registration certificate that was valid on the date the violation of section 223 occurred.

(15) If a person has received a citation for a violation of section 328(1) for failing to produce a certificate of insurance under section 328(2), the court may waive the fee described in section 328(3)(c) and shall waive any fine, costs, and any other fee or assessment otherwise authorized under this act upon receipt of verification by the court that the person, before the appearance date on the citation, produced valid proof of insurance that was in effect at the time the violation of section 328(1) occurred. Insurance obtained subsequent to the time of the violation does not make the person eligible for a waiver under this subsection.

(16) If a person is determined to be responsible or responsible "with explanation" for a civil infraction under this act or a local ordinance substantially corresponding to a provision of this act and the civil infraction arises out of the ownership or operation of a commercial quadricycle, he or she shall be ordered to pay costs as provided in subsection (4) and a civil fine of not more than $500.00.

(17) As used in this section, "moving violation" means an act or omission prohibited under this act or a local ordinance substantially corresponding to this act that involves the operation of a motor vehicle and for which a fine may be assessed.

History: Add. 1978, Act 510, Eff. Aug. 1, 1979; -- Am. 1980, Act 459, Imd. Eff. Jan. 15, 1981; -- Am. 1981, Act 117, Eff. Mar. 31, 1982; -- Am. 1982, Act 51, Eff. Mar. 30, 1983; -- Am. 1982, Act 301, Imd. Eff. Oct. 12, 1982 ;-- Am. 1984, Act 30, Eff. Apr. 28, 1984 ;-- Am. 1984, Act 364, Eff. Mar. 29, 1985 ;-- Am. 1985, Act 1, Eff. July 1, 1985 ;-- Am. 1988, Act 346, Eff. Jan. 1, 1989 ;-- Am. 1989, Act 89, Eff. Sept. 19, 1989 ;-- Am. 1995, Act 287, Imd. Eff. Jan. 9, 1996; -- Am. 1998, Act 103, Eff. Aug. 15, 1998; -- Am. 2001, Act 214, Imd. Eff. Dec. 27, 2001 ;-- Am. 2002, Act 534, Eff. Oct. 1, 2002 ;-- Am. 2003, Act 34, Eff. Oct. 1, 2003 ;-- Am. 2003, Act 73, Eff. Oct. 1, 2003 ;-- Am. 2004, Act 52, Eff. May 1, 2004 ;-- Am. 2004, Act 62, Eff. May 3, 2004 ;-- Am. 2004, Act 493, Eff. Oct. 1, 2005 ;-- Am. 2005, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Mar. 24, 2005; -- Am. 2006, Act 298, Imd. Eff. July 20, 2006; -- Am. 2008, Act 463, Eff. Oct. 31, 2010; -- Am. 2010, Act 59, Eff. July 1, 2010; -- Am. 2011, Act 159, Imd. Eff. Sept. 30, 2011; -- Am. 2013, Act 35, Eff. Aug. 20, 2013; -- Am. 2014, Act 303, Eff. Jan. 7, 2015; -- Am. 2015, Act 126, Imd. Eff. July 15, 2015

ELLIOT-LARSON-CIVIL RIGHTS ACT (EXCERPTS)
Act 453 of 1976

AN ACT to amend sections 301 and 303 of Act No. 453 of the Public Acts of 1976, entitled as amended "An act to define civil rights; to prohibit discriminatory practices, policies, and customs in the exercise of those rights based upon religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, or marital status; to preserve the confidentiality of records regarding arrest, detention, or other disposition in which a conviction does not result; to prescribe the powers and duties of the civil rights commission and the department of civil rights; to provide remedies and penalties; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," being sections 37.2301 and 37.2303 of the Michigan Compiled Laws; and to add sections 302a and 304.

37.2301 Definitions.

Sec. 301.

As used in this article:

(a) "Place of public accommodation" means a business, or an educational, refreshment, entertainment, recreation, health, or transportation facility, or institution of any kind, whether licensed or not, whose goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations are extended, offered, sold, or otherwise made available to the public. Place of public accommodation also includes the facilities of the following private clubs:
   (i) A country club or golf club.
   (ii) A boating or yachting club.
   (iii) A sports or athletic club.
   (iv) A dining club, except a dining club that in good faith limits its membership to the members of a particular religion for the purpose of furthering the teachings or principles of that religion and not for the purpose of excluding individuals of a particular gender, race, or color.

(b) "Public service" means a public facility, department, agency, board, or commission, owned, operated, or managed by or on behalf of the state, a political subdivision, or an agency thereof or a tax exempt private agency established to provide service to the public, except that public service does not include a state or county correctional facility with respect to actions and decisions regarding an individual serving a sentence of imprisonment.

History: 1976, Act 453, Eff. Mar. 31, 1977; -- Am. 1992, Act 70, Imd. Eff. May 29, 1992; -- Am. 1999, Act 202, Eff. Mar. 10, 2000

Compiler's Notes: Enacting section 1 of Act 202 of 1999 provides: "Enacting section 1. This amendatory act is curative and intended to correct any misinterpretation of legislative intent in the court of appeals decision Neal v Department of Corrections, 232 Mich App 730 (1998). This legislation further expresses the original intent of the legislature that an individual serving a sentence of imprisonment in a state or county correctional facility is not within the purview of this act. "

37.2302 Public accommodations or services; prohibited practices.

Sec. 302.

Except where permitted by law, a person shall not:

(b) Deny an individual the full and equal enjoyment of the goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations of a place of public accommodation or public service because of religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, or marital status.

(c) Print, circulate, post, mail, or otherwise cause to be published a statement, advertisement, notice, or sign which indicates that the full and equal enjoyment of the goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations of a place of public accommodation or public service will be refused, withheld from, or denied an individual because of religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, or marital status, or that an individual's patronage of or presence at a place of public accommodation is objectionable, unwelcome, unacceptable, or undesirable because of religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, or marital status.

History: 1976, Act 453, Eff. Mar. 31, 1977

Constitutionality: The goal of the Civil Rights Act was to broaden the scope of equal protection rather than the standard of equal protection developed by the courts in the course of interpreting the equal protection provisions of United States and Michigan Constitutions. Civil Rights Department v Waterford, 425 Mich 173; 387 NW2d 821 (1986).

37.2302a Applicability to private club.

Sec. 302a.

(1) This section applies to a private club that is defined as a place of public accommodation pursuant to section 301(a).
(2) If a private club allows use of its facilities by 1 or more adults per membership, the use must be equally available to all adults entitled to use the facilities under the membership. All classes of membership shall be available without regard to race, color, gender, religion, marital status, or national origin. Memberships that permit use during restricted times may be allowed only if the restricted times apply to all adults using that membership.
(3) A private club that has food or beverage facilities or services shall allow equal access to those facilities and services for all adults in all membership categories at all times. This subsection shall not require service or access to facilities to persons that would violate any law or ordinance regarding sale, consumption, or regulation of alcoholic beverages.
(4) This section does not prohibit a private club from sponsoring or permitting sports schools or leagues for children less than 18 years of age that are limited by age or to members of 1 sex, if comparable and equally convenient access to the club's facilities is made available to both sexes and if these activities are not used as a subterfuge to evade the purposes of this article.

History: Added 1992, Act 70, Eff. May 28, 1992.

37.2303 Exemptions.

Sec. 303.

This article shall not apply to a private club, or other establishment not in fact open to the public, except to the extent that the goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations of the private club or establishment are made available to the customers or patrons of another establishment that is a place of public accommodation or is licensed by the state under Act No. 8 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of 1933, being sections 436.1 through 436.58 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. This section shall not apply to a private club that is otherwise defined as a place of public accommodation in this article.

History: Added 1976, Act 453, Eff. Jan. 13, 1977;-Am. 1992, Act 70, Eff. May 28, 1992.

37.2304 Violation.

Sec. 304.

Within 30 days after a determination by the commission that a place of public accommodation that holds a license issued by the liquor control commission under the Michigan liquor control act, Act No. 8 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of 1933, being sections 436.1 to 436.58 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, has violated this article, the commission shall certify that determination to and shall file a complaint alleging a violation of Act No. 8 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of 1933 with the liquor control commission.

History: Added 1992, Act 70, Eff. May 28, 1992.

PUBLIC HEALTH CODE (EXCERPTS)
Act 368 of 1978

AN ACT to protect and promote the public health; to codify, revise, consolidate, classify, and add to the laws relating to public health; to provide for the prevention and control of diseases and disabilities; to provide for the classification, administration, regulation, financing, and maintenance of personal, environmental, and other health services and activities; to create or continue, and prescribe the powers and duties of, departments, boards, commissions, councils, committees, task forces, and other agencies; to prescribe the powers and duties of governmental entities and officials; to regulate occupations, facilities, and agencies affecting the public health; to regulate health maintenance organizations and certain third party administrators and insurers; to provide for the imposition of a regulatory fee; to provide for the levy of taxes against certain health facilities or agencies; to promote the efficient and economical delivery of health care services, to provide for the appropriate utilization of health care facilities and services, and to provide for the closure of hospitals or consolidation of hospitals or services; to provide for the collection and use of data and information; to provide for the transfer of property; to provide certain immunity from liability; to regulate and prohibit the sale and offering for sale of drug paraphernalia under certain circumstances; to provide for the implementation of federal law; to provide for penalties and remedies; to provide for sanctions for violations of this act and local ordinances; to provide for an appropriation and supplements; to repeal certain acts and parts of acts; to repeal certain parts of this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates.

333.12521 Definitions used in MCL 333.12521 to 333.12534.

Sec. 12521.

As used in sections 12521 to 12534:

(a) "Department" means the department of environment, Great Lakes, and energy.

(b) "Person" means that term as defined in section 1106 or a governmental entity.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (d), "public swimming pool" means an artificial body of water for a qualified premises that is used collectively by a number of individuals primarily for the purpose of swimming, wading, recreation, or instruction and includes related equipment, structures, areas, and enclosures intended for the use of individuals using or operating the swimming pool, including, but not limited to, equipment, dressing, locker, shower, and toilet rooms.

(d) Public swimming pool does not include a pool or portable pool located on the same premises with a 1-, 2-, 3-, or 4-family dwelling and for the benefit of the occupants and their guests, a natural bathing area such as a stream, lake, river, or man-made lake or pond that uses water from natural sources and has an inflow and outflow of natural water, an exhibitor's swimming pool built as a model at the site of the seller and in which swimming by the public is not permitted, or a pool serving not more than 4 hotel, motel, apartment, condominium, or similar units.

(e) "Qualified premises" includes, but is not limited to, a park, school, motel, camp, resort, apartment, club, hotel, mobile home park, subdivision, and waterpark.

History: 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978 ;-- Am. 2004, Act 408, Imd. Eff. Nov. 29, 2004 ;-- Am. 2022, Act 99, Imd. Eff. June 14, 2022.

333.12526 Examination of plans and specifications; determination; issuance of permit; notice of deficiencies; resubmission of documents; duration of permit; written approval of change.

Sec. 12526

(1) The department shall examine the plans and specifications and, subject to section 12526a, determine whether the swimming pool facilities, if constructed in accordance with the plans and specifications, are or would be sufficient and adequate to protect the public health and safety. If the plans and specifications are approved, the department shall issue a permit for construction. If the plans and specifications are not approved, the department shall notify the applicant or the applicant's representative of the deficiencies. The applicant may have the plans and specifications amended to remedy the deficiencies and resubmit the documents, without additional fee, for further

consideration.

(2) A construction permit is valid for not more than 2 years after the date of issuance unless a written time extension is granted by the department.

(3) Each public swimming pool must be constructed or modified in accordance with the approved plans and specifications unless written approval of a change is granted by the department.

History: 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978 ;-- Am. 2022, Act 99, Imd. Eff. June 14, 2022.

333.12526a Preparation or consumption of food or beverages within swimming pool enclosure; requirements; use of plastic or nonbreakable material; definitions.

Sec. 12526a.

(1) Subject to section 548 of the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1548, and the food law, 2000 PA 92, MCL 289.1101 to 289.8111, a person engaged in the operation of a public swimming pool shall not allow the preparation of food or beverages in the swimming pool enclosure, or consumption of food or beverages in the water of a public swimming pool, unless all of the following are met:

(a) The department has determined under section 12526 that the plans and specifications for the public swimming pool meet all of the following requirements:

(i) The materials used to construct the area within the swimming pool water that is used for serving, preparing, or consuming food or beverages are made of a material that is nonabsorbent, is easily cleanable, and can be regularly sanitized.

(ii) The area within the swimming pool water that is used for serving, preparing, or consuming food or beverages is constructed in a manner that has no sharp edges, has no open cracks, and has sealed joints.

(iii) Areas within the swimming pool water where there is ice, food, equipment, and any other item that is stored or used in the preparation of food or beverages are physically separated by a service counter or other structure or material in a manner that protects the ice, food, equipment, or other item from splash or spillage of swimming pool water.

(iv) The swimming pool water is equipped with heightened disinfection and filtration standards and maintains increased disinfectant residuals.

(v) The swimming pool water is monitored with an electronic chemical control monitoring system.

(b) The water temperature of the public swimming pool is maintained at 104 degrees Fahrenheit or less.

(c) The free disinfectant residual levels in the swimming pool water are tested poolside at least 4 times per day when the public swimming pool is open for use.

(d) Lifeguard service is provided in the swimming pool enclosure when the public swimming pool is open for use.

(e) An individual who holds a certification as a certified pool operator, or an equivalent certification as determined by the department, is readily available when the public swimming pool is open for use to test the swimming pool water and to operate the water treatment equipment of the public swimming pool.

(f) The public swimming pool does not contain a slide, diving board, starting block, spray feature, or similar addition in the area of the public swimming pool permitted for the sale and consumption of alcoholic liquor under section 548 of the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1548. However, the public swimming pool may have a waterfall, or another decorative feature, that is not intended for interaction or contact with an individual using the public swimming pool in the area of the public swimming pool permitted for the sale and consumption of alcoholic liquor under section 548 of the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1548.

(2) A person engaged in the operation of a public swimming pool that allows for the consumption of food or beverages in the public swimming pool under this section shall ensure that food and beverages are served in a container made of plastic or another nonbreakable material and that is designed to reduce the chances of spilling the food or beverage in the swimming pool water.

(3) As used in this section:

(a) "Alcoholic liquor" means that term as defined in section 105 of the Michigan liquor control code of 1998, 1998 PA 58, MCL 436.1105.
(b) "Beverages" means alcoholic liquor and nonalcoholic beverages.
(c) "Heightened disinfection and filtration standards" means all of the following:
    (i) A regenerative media filter system or an equivalent filter system. If the swimming pool uses a sand-type filter or a cartridge-type filter, a filter system is considered equivalent under this subparagraph if it requires a reduction in the max flow rate per square foot of filter area.
    (ii) An accelerated water turnover rate of once every 4 hours or less when the public swimming pool is open for use.
    (iii) An ultraviolet light secondary disinfection system or an equivalent secondary disinfection system.
    (iv) Increased inlets to prevent impaired circulation and to increase water circulation due to potential obstructions.
    (v) Increased number of skimmers or surge weirs to ensure effective surface water skimming.
(d) "Swimming pool enclosure" means the area containing 1 public swimming pool or, if the area contains 2 or more public swimming pools, the area containing all of the public swimming pools, which area is surrounded by an uninterrupted constructed feature or obstacle that meets all of the following requirements:
    (i) It is used to surround and secure the area.
    (ii) It is intended to deter or effectively prevent unpermitted, uncontrolled, and unfettered access to the area.
    (iii) It is designed to resist climbing and to prevent passage through and under it.

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