

Expansion of Off Premise Alcohol Sales

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This document provides information about state requirements and pending legislation for alcohol/cocktails off premise delivery and carryout. It includes links to Executive Orders, FAQs, regulations, legislation and guidance.

[For Information about On Premise capacity requirements, please see the Restaurant Law Center's: Return to Work State Guidelines for Foodservice Establishments](#)

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Alabama	No	No	Not Allowed	1/4/2021	Yes	TBD	No	No	No	No	No	N/A	Alabama Alcohol Beverage Control
Alaska	No	No	Not Allowed	2/14/2021	No	TBD	No	No	No	No	An unfinished bottle of wine can be taken to go if recorked, sealed with tamper resistant tape or placed in a tamper proof "wine doggie bag" container by the licensee, agent, or employee of the licensed establishment.	Alcoholic Beverage FAQ's	Alaska Alcohol Control Office
Arizona	Yes	Yes	Not Allowed	N/A	Yes	TBD	No	No	No	No	No	As of January 2021, retail delivery of liquor is only permitted by bars (series 6 license), beer and wine bars (series 7 licenses), liquor stores (series 9 license), and beer and wine stores (series 10 license).	Arizona Department of Liquor
Arkansas	No	No	Pending Legislation	N/A	Yes. SB339.	TBD	Yes	No	No	No	No	Guidance for Bar Operations	Arkansas Alcohol Beverage Control

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California	Restaurants and bars in San Francisco will allow indoor activity from 5am - 11pm.	Yes	Temporary	Within 10 days of notice from the ABC	Yes	TBD	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Secure lid or cap designed to prevent consumption without the removal (no lids with sipping holes or opening for straws unless covered with masking tape) or prepackaged sealed container. See link for alcohol to go guidance.	FAQ's	CA Dept. of Alcohol Beverage Control
Colorado	Not at the state level. The city of Denver updated its latest Public Health Order - effective immediately, restaurants can now deliver alcohol until 2am.	No	Temporary	7/1/2021	Yes	TBD	Yes	No	Yes	No	Must be a rigid container and cannot be made of paper or polystyrene foam. Must be sealed in a way that is "tamper evident" in order to tell if the container has been opened.	Colorado Liquor Rules	Colorado Liquor Enforcement Division
Connecticut	All restaurants will continue to be subject to an 11pm closing time.	No	Temporary law in place	4/19/2021	Yes- to extend but not to make permanent	TBD	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Sealed containers as received by the wholesaler.		CT Liquor Control Division
Delaware	Restaurants and bars must close from 10pm to 5am.	No	Temporary law in place	3/31/2022	No. They have passed the temporary law	3/23/2021	Yes	No	No	No	Containers that are securely sealed.	N/A	Delaware Alcohol Beverage Control
District of Columbia	Restaurants can serve alcohol until the midnight closing curfew.	No	Temporary	Not specified	Yes. This would become possible through a new third party alcohol delivery license.	TBD	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Closed containers, no straw in lid or original sealed container.	N/A	DC Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration

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Florida	No	Yes	Temporary	7/1/2021	Yes	TBD	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Sealed container for consumption off-premises. See link for	Executive Order No. 20-71	Alcohol Beverages New & Notices
Georgia	No	No	Permanent for beer and wine delivery. Bill pending for cocktail delivery.	N/A	Yes- for cocktail delivery. Previous law was only for wine and malted beverages delivery.	1/1/2021 for beer and wine delivery.	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Unopened and in original container sealed by the manufacturer.	Delivery of Alcoholic Beverages FAQ's	GA Alcohol and Tobacco Laws & Regulations
Hawaii	No	No	Temporary- for Honolulu	4/13/2021	No	TBD	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Product must be opened and resealed prior to delivery.	N/A	Dept. of Liquor Control - Honolulu
Idaho	No	No	Temporary for wine and malted beverages. Liquor/Cocktails can be picked up but not delivered.	Not specified	No	N/A	Yes	Yes	No	Yes for delivery. Liquor can be served as a to go item but not delivered.	Sealed container that prevents consumption, leakage or alteration of content in any manner and tamper proof seal.	Guidelines for Alcohol Delivery	ID Alcohol Beverage Control
Illinois	All bars and restaurants close at 11pm and may reopen no earlier than 6am the following day.	Yes	Temporary bill in place	6/2/2021	Yes- to extend but not to make permanent.	N/A	Yes	Yes	No	No	Cocktails allowed on 6/2/2020 following guidance at this link. They must be sealed/closed container and labeled.		IL Liquor Control Commission
Chicago, IL	All bars and restaurants close at 11pm and may reopen no earlier than 6am the following day.	Yes	Temporary bill in place	6/2/2021	Yes- to extend but not to make permanent.	N/A	Yes	Yes	No	No	All pre-mixed cocktails to-go must be in sealed, tamper evident containers.	Cocktails To-Go in the City of Chicago	IL Liquor Control Commission
Indiana	No	No	Temporary	3/1/2021- Expired. Not sure if it will be extended.	No	N/A	Yes	No	No	Yes	Sealed unopened container	Temporary Alcohol Delivery Information	IN Alcohol Beverage Info

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Iowa	Restaurants and bars must close from 10pm to 4am.	Yes	Permanent	N/A	No. It is now a law.	6/29/2020	Yes	No	No	No	Several methods allowed. See administrative rules at link.	Alcohol Beverage Deliveries to Consumers	Alcohol Beverage Division
Kansas	All bars, restaurants and other businesses in Sedgwick county licensed to sell alcohol for on-premises consumption must abide by a curfew and close by 11pm.	No	Temporary bill in place	3/31/2021	Yes. This is to make cocktails to go permanent.	TBD	No, delivery is limited to 50ft radius.	Yes	No	Yes, only with curbside services.	Beer and wine not in original container needs to be properly resealed on the licensed premises placed in a sealed transparent bag to where visibly apparent if bag is tampered with or opened.	N/A	Curbside Alcohol Sales
Kentucky	Bars and restaurants can serve until 12am and must close by 1am.	Yes	Permanent	N/A	No. Is now a law	3/15/2021	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Unopened and sealed original container. Including to-go cups being allowed.	FAQ's for Bars and Restaurants	Dept. of Alcohol Beverage Control
Louisiana	Alcohol sales must end at 11pm.	Yes	Beer and wine delivery is permanent.	N/A	No	N/A	Yes	No	No	Yes	Prepackaged original factory sealed containers.	New Orleans allows cocktails via drive thru and curbside pick up.	Louisiana Dept. of Alcohol Control
Maine	No	No	Temporary Law in place until September 10, 2022	4/15/2022	No. Is now a temporary law	3/17/2021	Yes	No	Yes	No. Cocktails are allowed on a temporary basis.	See updated requirements in the law	Cocktails To Go Memo	Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages
Maryland	No	Yes for beer and wine	Temporary for cocktail delivery	6/1/2021	Yes. Might be permanent or could be for 2 years.	TBD might be 7/1/21	Yes	Yes	No	No. Cocktails are allowed on a temporary basis.	Sealed Container	COVID-19 Orders Authorize Carry Out and Delivery of Alcoholic Beverages in Maryland	MD Alcohol Compliance

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Montgomery County/ Maryland	Establishments must suspend the sale of alcohol for on-site consumption by 10pm.	No	Temporary	6/1/2021	Yes	N/A	Yes	No	Yes	No	Sealed container includes: bottles, cans, growlers, crowlers and takeout cups with lids for off-premises consumption.	N/A	Montgomery County ABS
Massachusetts	No	No	Temporary	2/28/2021 or until state of emergency ends, whichever is later.	No	N/A	No	Yes	Yes	No	Wine must be in original sealed container. Malt beverages must be in sealed containers. 64 fluid ounces of mixed drinks in a sealed container or via secure cup.	N/A	ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION ADVISORY
Michigan	Restaurants and bars have to close for indoor dining between the hours of 11pm and 4am.	Yes	Temporary. See law at link.	1/1/2025	No. There is a temporary law in place.	7/1/2020	Yes	Yes	No	No	A qualified container is a clean, sealable container that has a liquid capacity of one (1) gallon or less. After the container is filled it must be sealed with a device or material that is used to fully close off the container securely. The container can have no perforations or straw holes.	N/A	Liquor Commission Control
Minnesota	Onsite dining hours are between 4am and 11pm.	No	Temporary for wine and malted beverages. Cocktail delivery not allowed.	N/A	Yes	TBD	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Original unopened container or bottle.		MN Alcohol Enforcement

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Mississippi	No	No	Temporary allowing curbside on premise delivery only.	When state of emergency ends.	No	N/A	No	No	Yes for curbside on premise delivery.	No	1 bottle of sealed wine with on premise curbside delivery. Open container beverage allowed only in a LRD and only if patron will stay in the LRD.	Alcohol FAQ's	MS Alcoholic Beverage Control
Missouri	No	No	Temporary	3/31/2021	Yes	TBD	No	No. Only exception, wine may be shipped in state by wine manufacturers.	Yes	Wine, malt and spirituous liquors (no cocktails)	Single-use, tamperproof, securely sealed transparent bag, opening sealed with tape, no mixed drinks in to-go plastic or Styrofoam cups with straws or loose covers.	N/A	Missouri Division Alcohol and Tobacco
Montana	No	No	Temporary	Not specified	Yes	TBD	Yes, between hours of 11am-11pm only.	No	Yes	Yes	Must be in original packaging.	MT Alcohol Guidance	MT Alcohol Beverage Control
Nebraska	Restaurants and bars must stop serving alcoholic beverages at 8:45pm and must close at 9pm.	No	Temporary	N/A	Yes	TBD	Yes	Yes, packaging must have 3x5 label that says adult signature required.	No. Food purchase is only required for on premise.	Yes, or any alcohol if it is in its original packaging.	In original packaging. Effective on 9/25. Cocktails now allowed in a sealed container. See guidance at link.	N/A	Nebraska Liquor Control
Nevada	No	No	N/A	N/A	No	N/A	No	No	No	N/A	Alcohol delivery sales at the state level not allowed.	Clark (Las Vegas), Henderson, Reno/Sparks, and Washoe counties allow alcohol delivery.	Nevada Alcohol Beverage Commission
New Hampshire	No	No	Temporary for wine and beer with take out and delivery of food. Not for cocktails.	During emergency	Yes	TBD	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Original container as specified in the order.	N/A	NH Liquor Commission
New Jersey	No	No	Temporary	Not specified	Yes	TBD	Yes	Yes- must have an ABC Transportation Permit.	No	No- any alcohol	Must be in original container or in a closed/sealed container. Disposable cups with lids that have holes are not permitted.	Guidelines for Sale and Service of Alcohol during COVID-19	New Jersey Alcohol Beverage Commission

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New Mexico	No	No	Yes, for at least 5 years	7/1/2026	No. Is now a law.	7/1/2021	Yes	Yes	No	No	Wait for Rules to be published	Will be available when Rules are published	New Mexico Alcoholic Beverage Control
New York	Restaurants and bars have a closing time of 11pm.	Yes	Temporary	3/16/2021	Yes	TBD	No	Yes	Yes	No	Closed or sealed container	N/A	NY State Liquor Authority
North Carolina	No	Yes	Temporary	3/31/2021	No	N/A	Yes	No	No	Any alcohol in it's original container.	Must be sealed and labeled with the Purchaser's name, drink name, quantity of spirituous liquor the beverage contains, and a required safety statement.	Executive Order No. 205	North Carolina ABC
North Dakota	No	No	Not Allowed	N/A	No	N/A	No	No	No	N/A	Not allowed	N/A	ND Alcohol Enforcement
Ohio	No	Yes	Permanent starting 4/21/21	For the temporary order it is 4/20/21.	No. It is now the law and will be effective 4/21/21.	4/21/2021	Yes	Yes	Yes	No. All liquors allowed.	Closed containers only. Amount of drinks to go with meal purchase is three (3).	Information on temporary off premise delivery in effect until 4/20/21	OH Dept. of Commerce
Oklahoma	All bars and restaurants will be required to close by 11pm.	No	Temporary bill in place	Repeals after one year	Yes, to allow temporarily	TBD- potentially effective from 7/1/21- 7/1/22.	Yes	No	No	Yes	Sealed containers of beer and wine in original packaging.		Oklahoma Restaurant Association Food & Alcohol COVID Regulations
Oregon	No	No	Temporary	N/A	Yes	TBD	Yes	Yes, with an approved for-hire application.	No	Malt beverages, wine and cider	Original Containers only. Onsite service and consumption fact sheet.	Oregon Alcohol FAQs	OR Liquor Control Commission
Pennsylvania	No	Yes	Temporary	When restaurant can operate at a capacity of 60%+.	No	N/A	Yes if have lost at least 25% of sales and operating at less than 60% occupancy.	Yes	No	No	Sealed containers with secure lids or caps designed to prevent consumption without removal of the lid or cap.	N/A	PA Liquor Control Board

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Puerto Rico	The sale, consumption and delivery of alcoholic beverages is allowed 7 days a week until 12am.	Yes	Permanent	N/A	No	N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Must be in a closed container.		Puerto Rico Restaurant Association
Rhode Island	All bar areas are only open until 11pm.	No	Temporary bill in place	12/31/2021	Yes, as a temporary measure.	TBD	No	No	Yes	No. Mixed beverages included.	Original sealed container. Mixed beverages of 72 ounces with no more than 9 ounces of alcohol included in sealed tamper evident container.	DBR LIQUOR SECTION - INFORMATION FOR COVID-19	DBR Liquor Enforcement and Compliance
South Carolina	No	No	Not Allowed	Not specified	No	N/A	No	No	Yes	Yes	Sealed containers of beer and wine in original packaging.	N/A	South Carolina Department of Revenue
South Dakota	No	No	Not Allowed	N/A	No	N/A	No	No	No	No	Must have an off premise license to sell sealed containers. Also, customer has to purchase at least \$150 of alcohol.	N/A	South Dakota Alcohol Laws & Regulations
Tennessee	Bars and restaurants in Knox County must close at 1am for on-premises consumption.	No	Temporary bill in place	4/28/2021	Yes, to extend for 3 years but not to make permanent.	TBD	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Single serving, secured lid or cap container only.	Executive Order No. 77 FAQ's	Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission
Texas	No	Yes, but only wine and beer.	Temporary	Not specified	Yes	TBD- potentially on 9/1/2021.	Yes	Yes	Yes	No. Includes Mixed Beverages and Cocktails. See additional guidance.	Original container not exceeding 375 ML. Must have a mixed beverage or retail dealers on premise license or a wine and beer retailers permit.	Industry Advisory Qualifying as a Restaurant	Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission
Utah	No	No	Not Allowed	N/A	Yes - to allow temporarily until 7/1/22.	TBD	No	No	Yes if purchasing alcohol for on premise consumption.	N/A	Original, sealed container if it is an unfinished bottle of wine.	N/A	Utah ABC Law Guidance

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Vermont	No	No	Temporary bill in place	While Executive Order remains in place- 4/15/21.	Yes, to extend but not to make permanent.	TBD- potentially would be in place between 7/1/21-7/1/23.	Yes	Yes	Yes	No. Cocktails also.	Standard container and the seal must not be broken.	N/A	Vermont Division of Liquor Control
Virginia	On site sale, consumption and possession of alcohol is prohibited after 10 pm.	No	Temporary law in place	7/1/2022	No. Temporary law was passed	7/1/22	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Mixed beverages sold for off-premises consumption or delivered shall be in single original metal cans or in glass, paper, plastic, or similar disposable containers that include a secure lid, cap, or similar closure that prevents the mixed beverage from being consumed without removal of such lid, cap, or similar closure.	Curbside Pickup FAQs	Virginia ABC
Washington	Yes - all alcohol sales at on premises locations must stop at 11pm.	Yes	Temporary	Not specified	Yes	TBD- would remain in place until 7/1/23.	Yes	Yes	Yes	No, all kinds allowed	Must be in a bottle or have a lid/cap without a sipping hole.	N/A	Summary of changes for restaurants, taverns and breweries
West Virginia	No	No	Temporary	Not specified	Yes	TBD	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Sealed containers of beer and wine in original packaging.	N/A	West Virginia ABC
Wisconsin	No	No	Not Allowed	N/A	Yes	TBD	No. Curbside pick up if your license allows that.	No	Yes	No	Original sealed container	N/A	Wisconsin Department of Revenue
Wyoming	No	No	Restaurants that operate under a Full Retail Liquor License can deliver alcohol or offer alcohol with takeout.	N/A	No. Permanent	7/1/2021	Yes	No	Yes	No	Must be in a "sealed" means a product enclosed:(A) In its original package and unopened;(B) In a plastic bag and heat sealed closed; or(C) In a container that has a breakable seal incorporated in the container cap.	N/A	Wyoming Liquor Division