

Guidance for Wine Producer Permit Application

Terms and References

“Producer” means any person who, directly or indirectly, personally or through any agency engages in the making, blending, rectifying or other processing of wines in Louisiana. Producers may also sell their manufactured beverage at wholesale and at retail for consumption on or off the licensed premises.

Qualification Period

When the raw material (grapes, fruits, berries, or vegetables) are not available in sufficient quantities for the production of wines, a qualification period of four years shall be established in line with the issuance of a permit. The permit is issued only after showing that the person has planted or will plant within six months a sufficient amount of grapes, fruits, berries, or vegetables to meet the content requirement of fifty-one percent for wines within the qualification period.

During the qualification period, a person engaged in the production of wines:

- May operate as a producer of wines even though the bulk of raw grapes, fruits, berries or vegetables used in producing such wines are obtained outside this state.
- Obtain producer’s permit (at an annual cost of \$50.00 for each permit issued) and provide bond required by R.S. 26:348 (\$5,000.00) prior to beginning production.
- Pay excise taxes imposed upon still wines rather than that imposed on wines during this period.

Provisions for Cash or Short-Term Credit Sales

Wine producers must sell, offer to sell, or deliver any alcoholic beverage to any wholesale or retail dealer in this state for cash or on terms requiring payment not later than the 15th day following that on which delivery is made. Retail dealers must buy or accept delivery of any such beverages on the same terms. If any payment is not made, the vendor immediately notifies the Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control. The Alcohol and Tobacco Control Commissioner will then promptly notify all manufacturers and wholesale dealer in the state of the default and, thereafter, no person shall sell alcoholic beverage to the retailer in default except on a cash basis, until authorized to do so by the Commissioner.

A dealer who is in violation of this section may have their license suspended for up to five days for the first offense, and for up to thirty days for a subsequent offense. (L.R.S. 26:148)

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Wine Producer/Winery Permit Information Sheet

La R.S. 26:2(22) defines a wine producer as “any person who, directly or indirectly, personally or through an agency, cultivates and grows grapes, fruit, berries, honey, or vegetables from which wine of an alcoholic content is excess of 6% by volume is produced and bottled from a fermentation of such grapes, fruits, berries, honey, or vegetables in Louisiana or outside the state for shipment to licensed wholesale dealers within the state subject to the provisions of 26:364.”

Steps to become a licensed Louisiana Wine Producer/Winery:

1. Obtain the appropriate federal permit from TTB. Please contact TTB at www.ttb.gov.
2. Obtain the appropriate surety bond from the Louisiana Department of Revenue. Please contact the Department of Revenue (225)219-7656.
3. Register Product Labels online, view information at www.atc.la.gov/productlabeling.php
4. Complete Louisiana Application www.atc.la.gov
 - a. Permit fees (\$50).
 - b. Schedule A and copy of driver’s license for each applicant
 - c. Fingerprints and fees
Include a business check, money order, or cashier’s check for \$38.00 made out to Louisiana State Police for each set of fingerprints submitted.
 - c. Attach a copy of a bonafide lease or proof of ownership of the premises to be licensed.
 - d. Attach a copy of all corporate documentation and proof of registration and good standing with the Louisiana Secretary of State.
 - e. Attach a diagram of the premises to be licensed.
 - f. Attach an in-depth description of the business model that clearly describes the production process and equipment utilized.
5. Obtain a local wine producer’s permit (parish or city).
6. Obtain all required occupational and health licenses (state and local).
7. Ensure that bottle sizes and packaging comply with La. R.S. 26:351.

A current version of the Louisiana Alcoholic Beverage Control Law can be viewed on our website at www.atc.la.gov by clicking on the link labeled “law book” on the legal and prosecution division page



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Application for Wine Producer's Permit

To: Commissioner, Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control

Permit to be issued for one year ending on December 31, ____

Permit to be issued to: ____
(name of individual, partnership, limited partnership, or corporation)

Trade Name: ____

Physical Location of Winery: ____
(this description should be sufficient to allow a person to locate the facility)

Mailing Address: ____

City or town: ____ Parish: ____ Ward: ____
(if different than physical location)

1. Ownership: Individual Partnership Limited Partnership Corporation
(requires written agreement) (requires certificate) (requires certificate)

2. If corporation, show state of domicile: ____
If domicile is not in Louisiana, is corporation authorized to do business in Louisiana?
 YES NO

3. If partnership, is partnership recognized by Louisiana law? YES NO

4. Is the application for a:
 Renewal permit for same business and location
 Permit for new business or new location

5. Does applicant meet the definition of "wine producer" as provided in R.S. 26:2(21)?
 YES NO

6. Does applicant meet the definition of "winery" as provided in R.S. 26:2(22)?
 YES NO

8. If a partnership or corporation, list below names, addresses, and percentage of business owned by each partner or stockholder. Schedule "A" must be attached for each partner, or for each stockholder owning more than 5% of the stock. Also, any financial backers of the business must be listed and Schedule "A" submitted.

Name of Person	Address	*Kind of Interest	% Owned

*** Partner, stockholder, or financial backer**

9. (a) Is applicant's business to be conducted wholly or partly by one or more managers, agents or other representatives? YES NO
 (b) If yes, such persons shall also possess the same qualifications of the applicant and form Schedule "A" must be submitted on each.
 (c) As to stockholders, managers, agents, representatives or other associated individuals, form Schedule "A" must be furnished for additional personnel as those changes occur.

10. List below the brand name of each wine and the type of each wine you intend to produce or sell, whether at wholesale or retail. Any additions or deletions from this list shall be reported promptly to this office with the appropriate affidavit. (If additional space is needed, please use a separate sheet of paper and write the number "10" on it. Attach the paper to this application.)

REQUIRED:

11. (a) An Alcoholic Beverage Tax Surety Bond in accordance with the provisions of LRSA 26:348 must be furnished in the same name and address as the permit.
 (b) Applicant must comply with provisions of LRSA 26:148 (Cash or Short Term Credit Law). See instructions.

AFFIDAVIT

I swear that I have read each of the questions in this application and that the answers which I have given are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I meet the qualifications and conditions set out in LA. R.S. 26:80 and 280..

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Print/Type your name: _____

Sworn to and subscribed to me this _____ **day of** _____, **20**_____

In the parish of _____, **State of** _____

Notary Public's Signature: _____

Print Name of Notary Public: _____



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Schedule A- Affidavit of Individual Suitability (Page 1 of 3)

Business Information

A Schedule A must be executed by each manager, each owner, partner, financial backer, officer, agent, director, stockholder, or member owning more than 5% of the stock or membership interest in the business.

Owner Name of Business (individual/partnership/LLC/corporation): _____

Trade Name of Business (d/b/a name): _____

Business Phone Number: (____) _____ - _____ Business Email Address: _____

Business Fax Number: (____) _____ - _____

Individual Background Information

NAME (print): _____ [for manager, officer, member, etc]
Last Name First Name Middle Initial

Maiden Name/Aliases/Nickname/Former Legal Names (if any): _____

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

Date of Birth: __/__/____ Present Age: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Home/Office Phone Number: (____) _____ - _____ Cell Phone Number: (____) _____ - _____

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____
Street
City/State/Zip

Have you continuously resided in Louisiana for the last (2) years? Yes NO

Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____ Race: _____ Gender: _____

Driver's License Number: _____ State of Issuance: _____

Were you born in the United States? YES NO
If "No," enter naturalization number: _____

Affiliation with business: _____ (job title/position) Percentage of ownership: _____

Relationship Status: _____

If Married... Name of Spouse: _____ Spouse Maiden Name/Aliases (if any): _____

Spouse Date of Birth: __/__/____ Spouse Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____

Spouse Driver's License Number: _____



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Schedule A Affidavit Continued (Page 2 of 3)

Qualifications

1. Is the applicant listed also applying for a video poker license issued by Louisiana State Police? YES NO
2. Do you or your spouse own or hold interest in any other business holding a state **retail** beer and/or liquor permit? If you or your spouse is an officer, member, or partner in another entity that maintains a state alcohol permit, answer "YES" and complete the following questions. If there is more than one business, attach a list disclosing each.
YES NO
 - If "YES," enter permit number: _____
 - Trade Name of Business: _____
 - Location Address: _____
3. Do you or your spouse own or hold interest in any business holding an alcoholic beverage manufacturer/supplier permit? YES NO
 - If "YES," enter the name of the business: _____
4. Do you or your spouse own or hold interest in any business holding an alcoholic beverage wholesale permit or solicitors permit? YES NO
 - If "YES," enter the name of the business: _____
5. Is this application being submitted by you to obtain an alcoholic beverage permit in your name for the benefit of any other person? YES NO

****If you answer "YES" to any of the following questions about your criminal history, you (and your spouse) must complete a Schedule F.****
6. Have you or your spouse ever been convicted of violating any state or local alcoholic beverage regulatory statute, rule, or ordinance? YES NO
7. Have you or your spouse had a license or permit to sell or deal in alcoholic beverages revoked within the last (2) years prior to the filing of this Schedule A? YES NO
8. Have you or your spouse ever been denied an alcoholic beverage permit? YES NO
9. Have you or your spouse ever been convicted of a felony? YES NO
 - This includes an offense adjudicated under Article 893 or 894, dismissals, pardons, expungements, guilty pleas, and pleas of nolo contendere "no contest."
10. Have you or your spouse ever been convicted of solicitation for prostitution, pandering, letting premises for prostitution, contributing to the delinquency of a juvenile, keeping a disorderly place, or dealing in controlled dangerous substances? YES NO
11. Have you or your spouse ever been convicted of distributing or possessing with intent to distribute any controlled dangerous substance classified in Schedule I of R.S. 40:964 on any premises holding an alcoholic beverage permit where you held or hold an ownership interest in the business? YES NO
12. Have you or your spouse been convicted or had a judgment of court rendered against you involving the sale or service of alcoholic beverages by this or any other state, or by the U.S. within the last (2) years? YES NO
13. Have you or your spouse ever been convicted, in this or in any other state in the U.S., of theft? YES NO
14. Have you or your spouse ever been convicted, in this or in any other state in the U.S., of any crime involving false statements or declarations? YES NO
15. Have you or your spouse ever been convicted, in this or in any other state in the U.S., of gambling? YES NO



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Schedule A Affidavit Continued (Page 3 of 3)

Sworn Statement

Affidavit

I swear that I have read each of the above questions and the answers that I have given are true and correct to the best of my knowledge; and that I meet the qualifications and conditions set out in R.S. 26:80 and 26:280. I consent to this information being shared with Louisiana State Police for video poker licensing purposes.

Signature of Applicant

Title

Print/Type Applicant's Name

Notary

For NOTARY Use Only

Sworn to and subscribed to me this _____ day of _____, 20____,

In the parish/county of _____, State of _____.

Notary Public's Signature

Print Name of Notary Public



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Schedule F

This form must be completed by any applicant who has been convicted of a felony and seeks lawful issuance of an alcoholic beverage permit under the provisions of R.S. 26:80(f) and/or 26:280(f). Applicant attests that the felony was not a crime of violence as defined in LA R.S. 14:2(13), and that 10 years or more have passed between the date of this application and the successful completion of any sentence, deferred adjudication, or period of probation, parole, and the final discharge of the defendant. Applicant is required to submit official documentation of pardon, restoration of rights, or official certification that 10 years or more has passed since successful completion of any sentence, deferred adjudication, or period of probation or parole and the final discharge of the defendant at the time of application.

CRIMES OF VIOLENCE

A CRIME OF VIOLENCE IS DEFINED IN LA R.S. 14:2(13) AS ANY OF THE BELOW-LISTED CRIMES.

IF YOU HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF ANY OF THE BELOW LISTED CRIMES, YOU WILL NOT QUALIFY FOR AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE PERMIT.

1. SOLICITATION FOR MURDER
2. FIRST DEGREE MURDER
3. SECOND DEGREE MURDER
4. MANSLAUGHTER
5. AGGRAVATED BATTERY
6. SECOND DEGREE BATTERY
7. AGGRAVATED ASSAULT
8. MINGLING HARMFUL SUBSTANCES
9. AGGRAVATED OR FIRST DEGREE RAPE
10. FORCIBLE OR SECOND DEGREE RAPE
11. SIMPLE OR THIRD DEGREE RAPE
12. SEXUAL BATTERY
13. SECOND DEGREE SEXUAL BATTERY
14. INTENTIONAL EXPOSURE TO AIDS VIRUS
15. AGGRAVATED KIDNAPPING
16. SECOND DEGREE KIDNAPPING
17. SIMPLE KIDNAPPING
18. AGGRAVATED ARSON
19. AGGRAVATED CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY
20. AGGRAVATED BURGLARY
21. ARMED ROBBERY
22. FIRST DEGREE ROBBERY
23. SIMPLE ROBBERY
24. PURSE SNATCHING
25. EXTORTION
26. ASSAULT BY DRIVE-BY SHOOTING
27. AGGRAVATED CRIME AGAINST NATURE
28. CARJACKING
29. ILLEGAL USE OF WEAPONS OR DANGEROUS INSTRUMENTALITIES
30. TERRORISM
31. AGGRAVATED SECOND DEGREE BATTERY
32. AGGRAVATED ASSAULT UPON A PEACE OFFICER WITH A FIREARM
33. AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WITH A FIREARM
34. ARMED ROBBERY; USE OF FIREARM; ADDITIONAL PENALTY
35. SECOND DEGREE ROBBERY
36. DISARMING OF A PEACE OFFICER
37. STALKING
38. SECOND DEGREE CRUELTY TO JUVENILES
39. AGGRAVATED FLIGHT FROM AN OFFICER
40. BATTERY OF A POLICE OFFICER
41. TRAFFICKING OF CHILDREN FOR SEXUAL PURPOSES
42. HUMAN TRAFFICKING
43. HOME INVASION
44. DOMESTIC ABUSE AGGRAVATED ASSAULT
45. VEHICULAR HOMICIDE, WHEN OPERATOR'S BAC EXCEEDS .20



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Schedule F C0hbi YX

Business

Date of Application: ___/___/_____ Trade Name (d/b/a name): _____

Type of Ownership (circle one): Individual * Partnership * Corporation * Limited Liability Corporation (LLC)

Owner Name (name of individual, partnership, etc.): _____

Individual Background Information

NAME (print): _____ Aliases (If any): _____
Last Name First Name Middle Initial

Date of Birth: ___/___/_____ Present Age: _____ Sex: _____ Race: _____

Identification Number (driver's license number, state ID card, etc.): _____

Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ - _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Affiliation with business (job title/position): _____

Charge/Conviction

YOU MUST ATTACH A COURT RECORD OF THE DISPOSITION OF EACH CHARGE/CONVICTION

Charge and statute number: _____

Date of Conviction: _____ Date of Final Discharge: _____

Jurisdiction (Name of Court/Agency): _____

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Date of Conviction: _____ Date of Final Discharge: _____

Jurisdiction (Name of Court/Agency): _____

AFFIDAVIT

I affirm that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that a copy of official documentation regarding the disposition of each charge/violation is attached.

Affidavit

Signature Print/Type Name Title

For NOTARY Use Only

Sworn to and subscribed to me this ___ day of _____, 20____,

In the parish/county of _____, State of _____.

Notary Public's Signature Print Name of Notary Public



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FINGERPRINT AUTHORIZATION FORM

SUBMIT TO: Louisiana State Police
Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information
PO Box 66614 (Mail Slip A-6)
Baton Rouge, LA 70896

<i>THE FEE FOR PROCESSING A STATE BACKGROUND CHECK IS \$26. FOR FBI PROCESSING, WHERE AUTHORIZED, OR REQUIRED, THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL \$12.00 FEE</i>	
<i>**FORMS MUST BE FILLED OUT IN INK AND BE REVIEWED BY SUBMITTING AGENCY/INDIVIDUAL FOR ACCURACY**</i>	
<i>****FINGERPRINTS ARE NECESSARY FOR A POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION****</i>	
<i>****PLEASE PRINT****</i>	
<u>OFFICE OF ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO CONTROL</u> FACILITY OR AGENCY	<u>ATC CERTIFICATION DIVISION</u> FACILITY OR AGENCY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
<u>PO BOX 66404</u> MAILING ADDRESS	<u>NA</u> SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
<u>BATON ROUGE LA 70896</u> CITY STATE ZIP CODE	<u>(225) 925-4041</u> FACILITY OR AGENCY PHONE NUMBER
	<u>NA</u> FACILITY EMAIL ADDRESS

APPLICANT'S FULL NAME: (Last, First, Middle)		
PRINT-USE INK-INCLUDE MAIDEN NAME & PREVIOUS MARRIED NAMES IF APPLICABLE		
APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE:		
APPLICANT'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER:		DATE OF BIRTH:
DRIVERS LICENSE NUMBER & STATE:		RACE:
		SEX:
POSITION OR LICENSE APPLIED FOR:		
AUTHORIZATION TO DISCLOSE CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS INFORMATION		
By my signature above, I hereby authorize the Louisiana State Police to release all pertinent criminal record information maintained in their files, other states files, or the FBI files (if applicable) which may confirm or deny my eligibility with the facility or agency named above.		

Request For: OFFICE OF ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO CONTROL



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FINGERPRINT DISCLOSURE FORM

APPLICANT PROCESSING – DISCLOSURE BUREAU OF CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION AND INFORMATION PO BOX 66614 (MAIL SLIP A-6) BATON ROUGE, LA 70896

ALL INFORMATION RELEASED MUST REMAIN STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL AND ONLY THOSE AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO RECEIVE THIS INFORMATION MAY SUBMIT A REQUEST

AGENCY
OFFICE OF ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO CONTROL

NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE): _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

RACE: _____

SEX: _____

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: _____

******DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE******

(For Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information Use Only)

NOTICE: The response to your request for a criminal history check is based on a review of the State of Louisiana’s criminal history records database as is available at the time of request. This does not preclude the possible existence of conviction information not available in our database.

CRIMINAL HISTORY DETERMINATION

RAPSHEET ATTACHED

RESPONSE BELOW



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ELECTRONIC FINGERPRINT SUBMISSION CERTIFICATION FORM

SUBMIT TO: Louisiana Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control

All persons submitting fingerprints electronically shall submit this certification form to ATC with your application for an alcoholic beverage permit. ATC will not process the application without verification that all required fingerprints have been submitted.

I, _____(print name), hereby certify that I am applying for an alcoholic beverage permit with the Louisiana Office of Alcohol & Tobacco Control (ATC), that I have submitted my fingerprints electronically at an office provided by Louisiana State Police (LSP), and that I have submitted the necessary authorization form to allow ATC to receive the results of my criminal background report from the FBI and LSP as mandated by LA R.S. 26:80.

(Signature of Applicant)

(Date of fingerprint submission)

(Signature of Employee Administering Fingerprints)

(Print Name)

(Address of location where fingerprints were submitted)

NOTE: There is a \$10.00 additional fee for submitting fingerprints electronically at LSP, which should be paid in the form of a money order or cashier's check only.

A Note from the Louisiana Office of Alcohol & Tobacco Control

As the agency tasked with regulating alcoholic beverage and tobacco commodities, one of our main goals here at ATC is to promote awareness and understanding throughout the industry of the Alcoholic Beverage and Tobacco Laws and Regulations. As such, we feel that it may be helpful to provide you with a few commonly un-known or misunderstood provisions of law. Please read the following.

- Licensed Louisiana retail dealers of alcohol and tobacco products can only purchase their inventory from licensed Louisiana wholesale dealers.
- 6% price mark-up provisions apply to alcohol and tobacco products.
- Permits are issued per location address and only one alcoholic beverage permit can be issued to an address (i.e. you cannot have two classes of permits at one address).
- **Public habitable area** means publicly accessible space, within a structure, which is permanent in nature, is in compliance with applicable building codes, is fully enclosed and climate controlled.
- Employees selling or serving alcoholic beverage and tobacco products must obtain a Responsible Vendor Certification within 45 days of employment.
- Retail dealers are required to maintain alcoholic beverage and tobacco invoices as well as employee records on the licensed premise at all times.
- Managers must be registered and certified by ATC. It is important to supply a Schedule A on all appointed managers.
- ATC is authorized to accept documentation and provide information to anyone registered with a business. As such, it is imperative, for the safety your business information, to maintain current ownership and management records with ATC.
- Smoking is not allowed on any areas of a Class B, C (package stores), or AR premise (restaurant).
- Placing signs provided by wholesalers/suppliers outside your business is prohibited (this also includes utility items such as table umbrellas).
- The sale of single cigarettes is prohibited.

A complete copy of the Alcoholic Beverage and Tobacco laws and regulations can be downloaded from the ATC website at www.atc.la.gov. We are always happy to assist you with any questions or concerns at (225)925-4041. Additionally, we encourage you to help us promote responsible business practices by reporting violations of the alcoholic beverage and tobacco laws to our complaint line at (225)925-4070.