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MARYLAND ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, AND CANNABIS COMMISSION

INFORMATION AND TRAINING ADVISORY 24-005

Wine & Distilled Spirits Distributor Appointments

The Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission (ATCC) and the Office of the Executive Director (OED) strive to educate and train all interested parties concerning the myriad aspects of beverage alcohol law and regulation and enhance the understanding of those laws and regulations for industry members and regulators. This specific advisory provides clarification and guidance regarding Wine & Distilled Spirits Distributor Appointments.

Pursuant to Maryland Regulation (<u>COMAR 14.23.01.08</u>), a supplier who desires to change the licensed wholesaler it has selected or franchised to distribute a brand of wine or distilled spirits in the State, shall provide notice of this intention by Registered Mail to the licensed wholesaler and the OED. Once received by the OED, all parties will receive written notice stating intention and commencement of the required 30-day period.

Notification Instructions Regarding Change of distributor Appointments

Written notification must be on company letterhead with an authorized signature and submitted to the OED.

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The written notification must include the following:

- Full corporate name of the Non-Resident Dealer or Maryland Manufacturer and the related permit number.
- Contact name, phone number, and email address of the Non-Resident Dealer Maryland Manufacturer.
- Full corporate name of the incoming and outgoing wholesalers as well as their related license numbers.
- All product brand names that are affected.



Failure of the Non-Resident Dealer or Maryland Manufacturer to provide the specific information outlined above to the OED in a timely manner may result in a delay in the processing of the notification.



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Maryland Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission Contacts

- General Information: 443-300-6990
 - Alcohol & Tobacco Licensing: 410-260-7314 or <u>atcc.licensing@maryland.gov</u> All licensing and renewal inquiries, application status checks
- Credit Control Reporting Inquires: credit.control@maryland.gov
 - Wine & Distilled Spirits Credit Control Reporting System for MD Wholesalers/Retailers
- Beer Franchise Submissions or Inquiries: <u>beer.franchise@maryland.gov</u>
 - New beer registration, additional sizes, label changes, inquiries
- Alcohol Transportation Permit Inquiries: <u>transportation.permits@maryland.gov</u>
 - MD Public Transportation Permits for transporting Alcohol in
 - MD Inquiries, application status checks.
- Trade Practices: <u>trade.practices@maryland.gov</u>
 - Inquiries regarding all Alcoholic Beverage Trade Practices.
- Planned Promotion Submissions or Inquiries: planned.promotions@maryland.gov
 - Wholesaler Promotional Activities Form submission, Sweepstakes and Contests approvals, Wholesaler monthly tastings submissions, Coupons, Package approvals, inquiries, Intent to Participate form 386.
- Tips on Alcohol, Tobacco & Cannabis violations: <u>atcc.tips@maryland.gov</u>
 - Report any suspicious activity or prohibited products concerning MD Alcohol, Tobacco & Cannabis.
 - PACT Act Compliance Submissions: <u>pact.compliance@maryland.gov</u>
 - Submission of PACT Act Registration Forms, inquires.
- Maryland Cannabis Administration: <u>information.mmcc@maryland.gov</u>
 - Contacts: <u>https://mmcc.maryland.gov/Pages/contact-us3.aspx</u>

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