
WINERIES AND COVID-19

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



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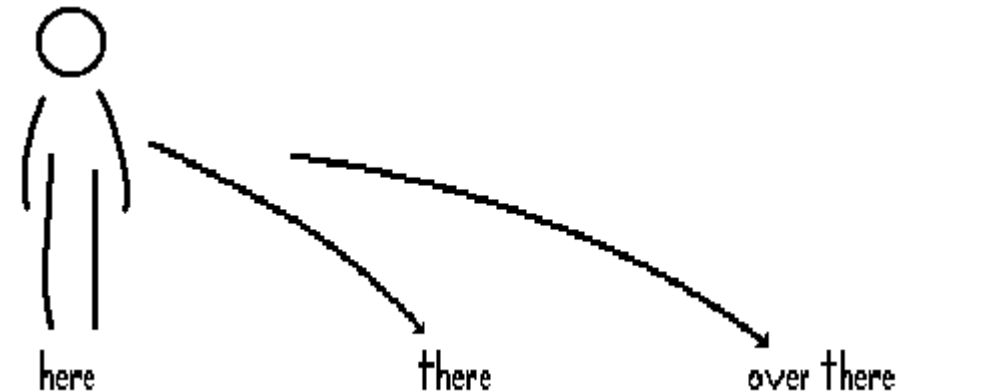
SBA RESOURCES

- Paycheck Protection Program
 - Currently depleted but hopefully it will be funded again
- Economic Injury Disaster Loans
 - Includes a no-recourse advance
- Express Bridge Loan
 - Available to folks with no other access to other credit
- Debt Relief Program
 - Relief from other SBA debt
- More information: <https://www.sba.gov/disaster-assistance/coronavirus-covid-19>



MANUFACTURING

- Manufacturing and agriculture operations may continue.
- Enforce social distancing as much as possible.
- Screen staff for fever and cough before allowing them to enter the premises.



CONSUMER SALES

- Wineries may deliver in their own vehicles if they have a Private Carrier Permit (O) or hire the holder of a Carrier Permit (C), like Fed Ex.
 - The per person shipping limitations still apply: up to 9 gallons per person per month and 36 gallons per person per year.
 - These sales count toward the 35,000 gallons per year cap.
- Wineries may sell for carry-out and curbside pick-up.
 - The per person limits do not apply to carry-out and pick-up.
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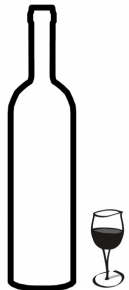


VIRTUAL TASTINGS

- As long as the product is bottled and labeled in a lawful size, you may sell it to consumers just like an ordinary bottle of wine. The lawful sizes are:

3 liters.	375 milliliters.
1.5 liters.	187 milliliters.
1 liter.	100 milliliters.
750 milliliters.	50 milliliters.
500 milliliters.	

- You don't need a new COLA if you just shrink down an approved label to fit a smaller bottle.
- You can't pour wine from a 750ml into a smaller bottle.



TTB ACTION

TTB has postponed the following filing and payment due dates for 90-days where the original due date falls on or after March 1, 2020, through July 1, 2020:

- Tax payment due dates for wine, beer, distilled spirits, tobacco products, cigarette papers and tubes, firearms, and ammunition excise taxes.
- Filing due dates for excise tax returns.
- Filing due dates for submission of operational reports.
- Filing due dates for claims for credit or refund by producers.
- Filing due dates for claims by manufacturers of nonbeverage products.
- Due dates for submission of export documentation.



SOME THINGS NEVER CHANGE...

- File your TABC permit renewal applications and fees on time. You should contact your local TABC office if you cannot pay on time.
- File your TABC monthly reports and pay your excise tax on time if possible. On a case-by-case basis, TABC may waive penalties for late filings and payments. You should contact TABC if you won't be able to file or pay on time.



SOME THINGS NEVER CHANGE...

- File and pay your sales and use tax on time if possible. If you can't, contact the Texas Comptroller's office to arrange a payment plan and avoid penalties and interest.
- Retailers must still pay wineries and wholesalers on time and if they don't you must report them on the delinquent list. Though TABC isn't penalizing retailers for late payments on purchases made in March 2020, retailers must be paid up with all wineries and wholesalers before receiving more inventory.





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