

# MALT TASTING PERMIT APPLICATION INFORMATION

Please read the application requirements and permit restrictions below to determine whether a malt tasting permit is right for your business.

## **Application Requirements:**

In order to obtain a malt tasting permit you must provide the following information with your application.

Application fee of **\$25.00** to be made payable to the Department of Liquor Control.

## **Permit Restrictions:**

Application to be filed with the Department of Liquor Control at least 5 days prior to the date of the malt tasting event.

**SECOND CLASS LICENSEE:** this permit authorizes employees of the permit holder to dispense malt beverages to retail customers of legal age on the licensee's premises. Malt beverages for the tasting shall be from the inventory of the licensee or purchased from a wholesale dealer.

A second class licensee may conduct no more than thirty (48) tasting events in a year. In addition to the 48 tastings, a second class licensee may conduct no more than five tastings per week provided the tastings are conducted as part of an educational food preparation class or course conducted by the licensee on the Licensed premise.

**LICENSED MANUFACTURER OR RECTIFIER OF MALT BEVERAGES:** this permit authorizes the permit holder to dispense malt beverages produced by the manufacturer or rectifier to retail customers of legal age of consumption on the premises of a second class licensee.

A manufacturer or rectifier of malt beverages may conduct no more than one tasting a day on the premises of a second class licensee.

A manufacturer or rectifier of malt beverages may conduct no more than four malt tasting permits per month for a tasting event held on the premises of a second class licensee.

A malt tasting event held, not to include malt tasting events conducted on the premises of a manufacturer or rectifier, or a promotional tasting: (1) may continue for no more than six hours in duration, with no more than six beverages to be offered at a single event, and no more than two ounces of any single malt beverage and no more than a total of eight ounces of various malt beverages to be dispensed to a customer. No more than eight customers may be served at one time. (2) shall be conducted totally within an area that is clearly cordoned off by barriers that extend no further than 10 feet from the point of service and a sign that clearly states that no one under the age of 21 may participate in the malt tasting shall be placed in a visible location at the entrance of the malt tasting area.

The permit holder shall keep an accurate accounting of the malt beverages consumed at a tasting event and shall be responsible for complying with all applicable laws under Title 7.

No individual who is under the age of 18 or who has not received training as required by the Department of Liquor Control may serve alcoholic beverages at a malt tasting event.

The holder of a permit issued under Section 67 that provides alcoholic beverages to an underage individual or permits an individual under the age of 18 to serve alcoholic beverages at a malt tasting event under Section 67 shall be fined not less than \$500.00 nor more than \$2,000.00 or imprisoned not more than two years, or both.

**Promotional Malt Tastings:**

At the request of a first class or second-class licensee, a holder of a manufacturer's, rectifier's, or wholesale dealer's license may distribute without charge to the first or second class licensee's management and staff, provided they are of legal drinking age, two ounces per person of malt beverages for the purpose of promoting the beverage. No permit is required but written notice of the event shall be provided to the Department of Liquor Control at least five (5) days prior to the date of the tasting.

A holder of a wholesale dealer's license may dispense malt beverages for promotional purposes at the wholesale dealer's premises without charge to invited employees of first, second, and third class licensees, provided the invited employees are of legal drinking age, and the wholesale dealer obtains a malt tasting permit.

To learn more about Vermont's Malt Tasting laws, please call or email the Department of Liquor Control at 802-828-2339 or visit [liquorcontrol.vermont.gov](http://liquorcontrol.vermont.gov)



Application for Malt Tasting Permit  
License Year: May 1<sup>st</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup> of the following year.

Licensee Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Full Name of Person, Partnership, Corporation or LLC \_\_\_\_\_  
Doing Business As – Trade Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Street and street number or premises covered by this application \_\_\_\_\_  
Town or City & Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address (if different from above) \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**FEE: \$25.00**

Make check payable to and mail to:

Vermont Department of Liquor Control  
13 Green Mountain Drive  
Montpelier, Vermont 05602

Please check one: \_\_\_\_\_ Manufacturer \_\_\_\_\_ Second Class \_\_\_\_\_ Wholesale Dealer

Name of Second Class License or Licensee location: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town or City, State and Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Hours of Event: \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL APPLICANTS MUST COMPLETE AND SIGN THE FOLLOWING**

I/We hereby certify that the information in this application is true and complete.

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_ in the County of \_\_\_\_\_ and

State of Vermont, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of authorized agents of licensee:

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