

State of Louisiana

Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control

John Bel Edwards
Governor



Juana Marine-Lombard
Commissioner

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WARNING NOTICE AND CEASE AND DESIST (Wine Shop and Package Store Retail Alcohol Delivery)

Dear Wine Shops and Package Stores:

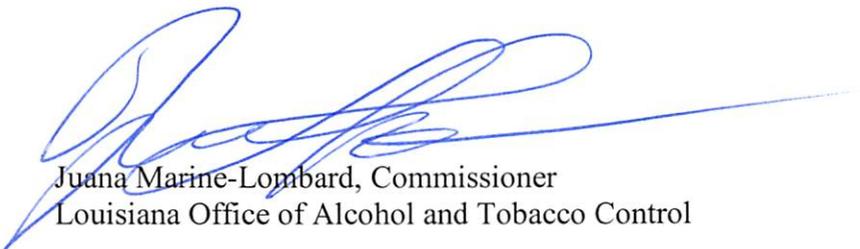
Our Agency has received complaints that Wine Shops and Package Stores in Louisiana are delivering alcohol directly to consumers. There is currently no provision in Louisiana law allowing for retail alcohol delivery, either by a permittee or through an independent third party delivery service. A license with this Agency only allows for you to sell alcohol onsite to consumers and does not allow any delivery of alcohol to consumers.

The Louisiana Legislature considered bills that would have addressed the issue during the 2018 regular session, but did not pass an alcohol delivery bill that would have allowed retail alcohol delivery. Furthermore, the Legislature created the *Louisiana Retail Food and Beverage E-Commerce Task Force* during the 2018 regular session. The purpose of the task force is to study E-Commerce, specifically retail alcohol delivery in Louisiana and to make recommendations on the issue of retail alcohol delivery prior to the 2019 legislative session. However, there is currently no permit which allows for any retailer or third party transporter to deliver beer, wine or spirits direct to the consumers.

As such, you are ordered to cease and desist all retail alcohol deliveries to consumers in Louisiana immediately and to inform any independent third party delivery services you may have been utilizing for same to also cease and desist.

Should you have any questions regarding same, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Thanking you in advance, I remain,


Juana Marine-Lombard, Commissioner
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