

**TITLE 8**

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES<sup>1</sup>**

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**CHAPTER 1**

**INTOXICATING LIQUORS-ON PREMISE CONSUMPTION**

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**8-101. Definition of alcoholic beverages.** As used in this chapter, unless the context indicates otherwise: Alcoholic beverages means and includes alcohol, spirits, liquor, wine, and every liquid containing alcohol, spirits, wine and capable of being consumed by a human being, other than patented medicine or beer, where the latter contains an alcoholic content of five percent (5%) by weight, or less. (1979 Code, § 2-101, as replaced by Ord. #08-28, Jan. 2009)

**8-102. Consumption of alcoholic beverages on premises.** Tennessee Code Annotated, title 57, chapter 4, inclusive, is hereby adopted so as to be applicable to all sales of alcoholic beverages for on premises consumption which are regulated by the said code when such sales are conducted within the corporate limits of the City of White House, Tennessee. It is the intent of the board of mayor and aldermen that the said Tennessee Code Annotated, title 57, chapter 4, inclusive, shall be effective in the City of White House, Tennessee, the same as if said code sections were copied herein

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<sup>1</sup>State law reference

Tennessee Code Annotated, title 57.

verbatim. (as added by Ord. #08-28, Jan. 2009, and amended by Ord. #14-04, March 2014)

**8-103. Privilege tax on retail sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises.** Pursuant to the authority contained in Tennessee Code Annotated, § 57-4-301, there is hereby levied a privilege tax (in the same amounts levied by Tennessee Code Annotated, title 57, chapter 4, section 301, for the City of White House General Fund to be paid annually) upon any person, firm, corporation, joint stock company, syndicate, or association engaging in the business of selling at retail in the City of White House on alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises where sold. (as added by Ord. #08-28, Jan. 2009, and amended by Ord. #14-04, March 2014)

**8-104. Annual privilege tax to be paid to the finance director.** Any person, firm, corporation, joint stock company, syndicate or association exercising the privilege of selling alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises in the City of White House shall remit annually to the finance director the appropriate tax described in § 8-103. Such payments shall be remitted between January 1st and February 1st of each year to the City of White House, Tennessee. Upon the transfer of ownership of such business or the discontinuance of such business, said tax shall be filed within thirty (30) days following such event. Any person, firm, corporation, joint stock company, syndicate, or association failing to make payment of the appropriate tax when due shall be subject to the penalty provided by law. (as added by Ord. #08-28, Jan. 2009, and amended by Ord. #14-04, March 2014)

**8-105. Concurrent sales of liquor by the drink and beer.** Any person, firm, corporation, joint stock company, syndicate or association which has received a license to sell alcoholic beverages in the City of White House, pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, title 57, chapter 4, shall, notwithstanding the provisions of § 8-208(3) of the City of White House Municipal Code, qualify to receive a beer permit from the city. (as added by Ord. #08-28, Jan. 2009)

**8-106. Advertisement of alcoholic beverages.** All advertisement of the availability of liquor for sale by those licensed pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, title 57, chapter 4, shall be in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission. (as added by Ord. #08-28, Jan. 2009, and amended by Ord. #14-04, March 2014)

**8-107. -- 8-109. [Deleted].** (as added by Ord. #08-28, Jan. 2009, and deleted by Ord. #14-04, March 2014)

**8-110. Hours of sale.** On-premises license holders shall follow the hours of sale for liquor by the drink as regulated by the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission. (as added by Ord. #08-28, Jan. 2009, and replaced by Ord. #14-04, March 2014)

## CHAPTER 2

### BEER<sup>1</sup>

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**8-201. Beer board established.** There is hereby established a beer board to be composed of five (5) members appointed by the board of mayor and aldermen, one (1) of which shall be a member of the board of mayor and aldermen. Terms shall be for two (2) years except the first terms appointed shall be for one (1) and (2) years, with two (2) member's terms expiring each year. The board of mayor and aldermen's representative shall be for the duration of his term of office. A chairman shall be elected annually by the board from among its appointed members. All members of the beer board shall serve without compensation. The board of mayor and aldermen shall fill any vacancies that occur. (1979 Code, § 2-201, as replaced by Ord. #06-40, Nov. 2006, and Ord. #08-07, June 2008)

**8-202. Meetings of the beer board.** All meetings of the beer board shall be open to the public. The board may hold regular meetings in the city hall at such times as it shall prescribe. When there is business to come before the

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<sup>1</sup>State law reference

For a leading case on a municipality's authority to regulate beer, see the Tennessee Supreme Court decision in Watkins v. Naifeh, 635 S.W.2d 104 (1982).

beer board, a special meeting may be called by the chairman, provided he gives a reasonable notice thereof to each member. The board may adjourn a meeting at any time to another time and place. (1979 Code, § 2-202, as replaced by Ord. #06-40, Nov. 2006)

**8-203. Record of beer board proceedings to be kept.** The city recorder shall make a record of the proceedings of all meetings of the beer board. The record shall be a public record and shall contain at least the following: The date of each meeting; the names of the board members present and absent; the names of the members introducing and seconding motions and resolutions, etc., before the board; a copy of each such motion or resolution presented; the vote of each member thereon; and the provisions of each beer permit issued by the board. (1979 Code, § 2-203, as replaced by Ord. #06-40, Nov. 2006)

**8-204. Requirements for beer board quorum and action.** The attendance of at least a majority of the members of the beer board shall be required to constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting business. Matters before the board shall be decided by a majority of the members present if a quorum is constituted. Any member present but not voting shall be deemed to have cast a "nay" vote. (1979 Code, § 2-204, as replaced by Ord. #06-40, Nov. 2006)

**8-205. Powers and duties of the beer board.** The beer board shall have the power and it is hereby directed to regulate the selling, storing for sale, distributing for sale, and manufacturing of beer within this municipality in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. (1979 Code, § 2-205, as replaced by Ord. #06-40, Nov. 2006)

**8-206. "Beer" defined.** The term "beer" as used in this chapter shall mean and include all beers, ales, and other malt liquors having an alcoholic content of not more than five percent (5%) by weight; provided however, that no more than forty-nine percent (49%) of the overall alcoholic content of such beverage may be derived from the addition of flavors and other nonbeverage ingredients containing alcohol. (1979 Code, § 2-206, as replaced by Ord. #06-40, Nov. 2006, as amended by Ord. #07-28, Sept. 2007)

**8-207. Permit required for engaging in beer business.** It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, store for sale, distribute for sale, or manufacture beer without first making application to and obtaining a permit from the beer board. The application shall be made on such form as the board shall prescribe and/or furnish, and pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, § 57-5-104(a), and shall be accompanied by a non-refundable application fee of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00). Said fee shall be in the form of a cashier's check payable to the City of White House. Each applicant must be a person of good moral

character and certify that he has read and is familiar with the provisions of this chapter. (1979 Code, § 2-207, as replaced by Ord. #06-40, Nov. 2006)

**8-208. Classes of permits.** Four (4) classes of permits may be issued by the beer board as follows:

(1) A manufacture's or distributor's permit to a manufacturer of beer for the manufacture, possession, storage, sale, distribution and transportation of the product of such manufacture, not to be consumed by the purchaser upon or near the premises of such manufacturer. A manufacturer of beer is defined as one who employs a minimum of twenty-five (25) full-time employees in the manufacture of beer.

(2) An "off-premises" permit to any person of legal organization engaged in the sale of such beverages where they are not to be consumed by the purchaser or other persons upon or near the premises of such seller. Drive in beer sales are authorized for off-site permit holders only. "Off-premises" permit holders shall be permitted to sell beer on a twenty-four (24) hour basis, seven (7) days a week.

(3) An "on-premises" permit to any person or legal organization engaged in the operation of a restaurant wherein in the sale of beer is for consumption on the premises. A restaurant is defined as a business establishment whose primary business is the sale of prepared food to be consumed on the premises and less than forty percent (40%) of its income is from the sale of beer. For the purposes of this chapter, the term "on-premises consumption" shall mean consumption within the building or on any decks, patios, and other outdoor serving areas that are contiguous to the exterior of the building for which the license is issued, except if this license is held by the proprietor of a golf course. For proprietors of golf courses, on-premises shall mean within the building or on any decks, patios and other outdoor serving areas that are contiguous to the exterior of the building and/or the course. However, no consumption shall be permitted on any parking lot. Where on-premises consumption is permitted on a golf course, beer may be purchased either at the restaurant or from a beverage cart. Any "on-premises" permit holder shall follow the hours of sale for intoxicating liquors. No "on-premises" beer permit holder shall sell or give away beer between the hours of 3:00 A.M. and 8:00 A.M. on weekdays, or between the hours of 3:00 A.M. and twelve o'clock noon (12:00 P.M.) on Sundays.

(4) A special event permit may be issued by the beer board on a case by case basis for a specific date and time. No more than two (2) special events permits will be granted during a calendar year.

It is unlawful for any beer permit holder to engage in any type or phase of the beer business not expressly authorized by his permit. It is likewise unlawful for him not to comply with any and all express restrictions or conditions which may be written into his permit by the beer board. (1979 Code,

§ 2-208, as replaced by Ord. #06-40, Nov. 2006, and amended by Ord. #08-29, Jan. 2009)

**8-209. Interference with public health, safety, and morals prohibited.** No permit authorizing the sale of beer will be issued when such business would cause congestion of traffic or would interfere with schools, churches, or other places of public gathering, or would otherwise interfere with the public health, safety, and morals. No permit will be issued authorizing the storage, sale or manufacture of beer at places within one hundred fifty (150) feet of any church or school, as measured in a straight line from the nearest corner of the school or church structure to the nearest corner of the structure where beer is to be stored, sold or manufactured. (1979 Code, § 2-209, as deleted by Ord. #05-41, Jan. 2006, as replaced by Ord. #06-40, Nov. 2006)

**8-210. Issuance of permits to persons convicted of certain crimes prohibited.** No beer permit shall be issued to any person who has been convicted for the possession, sale, manufacture, or transportation of intoxicating liquor, or any crime involving moral turpitude within the past ten (10) years.

No person, firm, corporation, joint-stock company, syndicate, or association having at least a five percent (5%) ownership interest in the applicant shall have been convicted of any violation of the laws against possession, sale, manufacture, or transportation of beer or other alcoholic beverages or any crime involving moral turpitude within the past ten (10) years. (1979 Code, § 2-210, modified, as amended by Ord. #97-11, Aug. 1997, and Ord. #02-06, April 2002, as replaced by Ord. #06-40, Nov. 2006)

**8-211. Prohibited conduct or activities by beer permit holders.** It shall be unlawful for any beer permit holder to:

- (1) Employ any minor under eighteen (18) years of age in the sale, storage, distribution, or manufacture of beer.
- (2) Make or allow any sale of beer to a minor under twenty-one (21) years of age.
- (3) Allow minors under twenty-one (21) years of age to congregate in or about his place of business.
- (4) Make or allow any sale of beer to any person reasonably believed by the seller to be intoxicated, insane, or otherwise mentally incapacitated.
- (5) Serve, sell, or allow the consumption on his premises of any alcoholic beverage with an alcoholic content of more than five percent (5%) by weight.
- (6) Have been convicted of a felony within a calendar year (January-December), which may subject the permittee to revocation of license. (1979 Code, § 2-211, as replaced by Ord. #06-40, Nov. 2006, and amended by Ord. #07-28, Nov. 2007, and Ord. #14-09, June 2014)

**8-212. Revocation of beer permits.** The beer board shall have the power to revoke any beer permit issued under the provisions of this chapter when the holder thereof is guilty of making a false statement or misrepresentation in his application or of violating any of the provisions of this chapter. However, no beer permit shall be revoked until a public hearing is held by the board after reasonable notice to all the known parties in interest. Temporary suspensions of a beer permit may not exceed six (6) months. Revocation/suspension proceedings may be initiated by the police chief.

Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, § 57-5-608, the beer board shall not revoke or suspend the permit of a "responsible vendor" qualified under the requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 57-5-606 for a clerk's illegal sale of beer to a minor if the clerk is properly certified and has attended annual meetings since the clerk's original certification, unless the vendor's status as a certified responsible vendor has been revoked by the alcoholic beverage commission. If the responsible vendor's certification has been revoked, the vendor shall be punished by the beer board as if the vendor were not certified as a responsible vendor. "Clerk" means any person working in a capacity to sell beer directly to consumers for off-premises consumption. Under Tennessee Code Annotated, § 57-5-608, the alcoholic beverage commission shall revoke a vendor's status as a responsible vendor upon notification by the beer board that the board has made a final determination that the vendor has sold beer to a minor for the second time in consecutive twelve (12) month period. The revocation shall be for three (3) years. (1979 Code, § 2-212, modified, as amended by Ord. 99-05, April 1999; and Ord. #02-27, Nov. 2002, as replaced by Ord. #06-40, Nov. 2006, as amended by Ord. #07-28, Nov. 2007)

**8-213. Civil penalty in lieu of revocation suspension.** (1) Definition. "Responsible vendor" means a person, corporation or other entity that has been issued a permit to sell beer for off-premises consumption and has received certification by the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission under the "Tennessee Responsible Vendor Act of 2006." Tennessee Code Annotated, § 57-5-601 et seq.

(2) Penalty, revocation or suspension. The beer board may, at the time it imposes a revocation or suspension, offer a permit holder that is not a responsible vendor the alternative of paying a civil penalty not to exceed two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) for each offense of making or permitting to be made any sales to minors, or a civil penalty not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for any other offense.

The beer board may impose on a responsible vendor a civil penalty not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for each offense of making or permitting to be made any sales to minors or for any other offense.

If a civil penalty is offered as an alternative to revocation or suspension, the holder shall have seven (7) days within which to pay the civil penalty before

the revocation or suspension shall be imposed. If the civil penalty is paid within that time, the revocation or suspension shall be deemed withdrawn.

Payment of the civil penalty in lieu of revocation or suspension by a permit holder shall be an admission by the holder of the violations so charged and shall be paid to the exclusion of any other penalty that the city may impose. (1979 Code, § 2-213, as replaced by Ord. #06-40, Nov. 2006, as amended by Ord. #07-28, Nov. 2007)

**8-214. Privilege tax.** There is hereby imposed on any holder of a permit under this chapter an annual privilege tax of one hundred dollars (\$100.00). At the time a new permit is issued, the permit holder shall be required to pay the privilege tax on a prorated basis for each month or portion thereof remaining until the next tax payment date. All permit holders shall remit the tax between January 1st and February 1st of each year to the City of White House, Tennessee. Failure to pay the tax on or prior to February 1st shall result in immediate, temporary suspension of the holder's permit until further review by the beer board to consider imposition of civil penalties, revocation, suspension, or such other action permitted under this chapter. Upon timely payment of the tax each year, the City of White House will issue a renewal permit to the holder. (1979 Code, § 2-214, as replaced by Ord. #06-40, Nov. 2006, and Ord. #14-05, March 2014)

**8-215. Loss of clerk's certification for sale to minor.** If the beer board determines that a clerk of an off-premises beer permit holder certified under Tennessee Code Annotated, § 57-5-606, sold beer to a minor, the beer board shall report the name of the clerk to the alcoholic beverage commission within fifteen (15) days of determination of the sale. The certification of the clerk shall be invalid and the clerk may not reapply for a new certificate for a period of one (1) year from the date of the beer board's determination. (as added by Ord. #07-28, Nov. 2007)

**8-216. Termination of business, or change in ownership, relocation of business or change in business name.** A permit holder must return his/her permit to the board within fifteen (15) days of termination of the business, change in ownership, relocation of the business or change of the business name; provided that, regardless of the failure to return a permit, a permit shall expire upon termination of the business, change in ownership, relocation of interests in the business are transferred to a new owner. In the event of a change in ownership, relocation of the business or change of the business name, the permit holder may apply for a new permit. (as added by Ord. #12-04, June 2012)

## CHAPTER 3

### PACKAGE LIQUOR STORES

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**8-301. Alcoholic beverages subject to regulation.** It shall be unlawful to engage in the business of selling, storing, transporting, distributing, or to purchase or possess alcoholic beverages within the corporate limits of this municipality except as provided by Tennessee Code Annotated, title 57, by rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and as provided in this chapter. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)

**8-302. Definitions.** Whenever used herein unless the context requires otherwise:

(1) "Alcoholic beverage" or "beverage" means and includes alcohol, spirits, liquor, wine and every liquid containing alcohol, spirits, wine and capable of being consumed by a human being, other than patented medicine, beer, or wine, where the latter two (2) contain an alcoholic content of five percent (5%) by weight, or less.

(2) "License" means the license issued herein and "licensee" means any person to whom such license has been issued.

(3) "Retailer" means any person who sells at retail any beverage for the sale of which a license is required under the provisions herein.

(4) "Retail sale" or "sale at retail" means a sale to a consumer or to any person for any purpose other than for resale.

(5) "Manufacturer" means and includes distiller, vintner and rectifier. "Manufacture" means and includes distilling, rectifying and operating a winery.

(6) "Wholesale sale" or "sale at wholesale" means a sale to any person for purposes of resale.

(7) "Wholesaler" means any person who sells at wholesale beverage for the sale of which a license is required under the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 57-3-101--57-3-110.

(8) Words importing the masculine gender shall include the feminine and the neuter, and singular shall include the plural.

(9) The term "federal license" as used herein shall not mean tax receipt or permit. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)

**8-303. License required.** (1) Before any person or other legal entity (the "applicant") shall receive a license for the establishment of a retail liquor store, the applicant shall make application for a license for a specific location and be granted such license for such specific location by the board of mayor and aldermen as required by Tennessee Code Annotated, § 57-3-208. When the applicant which intends to obtain a liquor license is a legal entity owned, directly or indirectly, by a combination of persons and/or entities, the group of persons owning an interest, directly or indirectly, in the applicant is referred to herein as the "applicant group." The application for the license shall be filed with the city recorder along with a two hundred fifty dollar (\$250.00) application fee giving the following information:

(a) The name, date of birth and street address of each person to have an interest, direct or indirect, in the retail liquor store as an owner, partner, stockholder or otherwise. In the event that a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other legally recognized entity is an applicant or member of an applicant group, each person with an interest therein must be disclosed and must provide the information herein required by the city;

(b) The name of the retail liquor store proposed;

(c) The address of the retail liquor store proposed and its zoning designation;

(d) Number of years applicant and persons in applicant group have been residents of the State of Tennessee;

(e) The name of the licensee and the address of other retail liquor stores in which an ownership interest is held by the applicant or any member of the applicant group identifying the applicant or group member holding each interest;

(f) Occupation or business and name and location of such business, of applicant and persons in applicant group and length of time engaged in such occupation or business;

(g) Whether or not the applicant or any persons in the applicant group has been convicted within the ten (10) year period immediately

preceding the date of the application of any violation of any state or federal law or of any violation of any municipal ordinance (with the exception of minor traffic violations such as speeding or traffic signal violations, but not excepting alcohol related violations), and, if so, provide the details of such violation (i.e., charging entity, citation to and copy of law convicted of violating, copy of charge, etc.);

(h) If employed, the name and address of the employer;

(i) The name and address of the owner of the real property of the proposed location, together with a letter from such owner affirming either

(i) That the parties have reached a written agreement on the terms of a lease, or

(ii) That the parties have reached a written agreement on the terms of a sale of the premises to the applicant;

(j) The name of any person who will have any interest, direct or indirect, in the business of the applicant or in the profits thereof, and the nature and character thereof, and whether the person holds a wholesale or retail liquor license;

(k) The identity of the applicant(s) who will be in actual charge of the day-to-day operation of the business, and a certification that that individual has not been convicted of a felony within a ten (10) year period immediately preceding the date of the application, and if the applicant is a corporation the identity of the officer or employee who will be in actual charge of the day-to-day operations of the business and that such officer or employee has not been convicted of a felony within a ten (10) year period immediately preceding the date of the application;

(l) A statement that the persons receiving the requested license to the best of their knowledge if awarded the license could comply with all the requirements for obtaining the required licenses under state law and the provisions of this chapter for the operation of retail liquor stores in the city.

(2) Further documentation. (a) A written certification by the applicant that the premises of the proposed retail liquor store are in full and complete compliance with the distance requirements of this chapter; and, that the applicant has taken steps to verify compliance with the distance requirements. To the extent that the applicant has documentation of such verification, or the process of verification, then applicant shall submit such documentation with the application.

(b) In the case where the applicant is a partnership, the application shall be accompanied by a copy of the partnership agreement and an indication of who are general partners and who are limited partners, if any, and for each partner the profit sharing percentage in the partnership;

(c) In the case where the applicant is a corporation or limited liability company, the application shall be accompanied by a copy of the corporate charter or the operating agreement and a list of shareholders/members with their ownership percentage, a list of officers/managers and a list of names and addresses of directors.

(3) Signature. The application shall be signed and verified by each person to have any interest in the retail liquor store either as an owner, partner, stockholder or otherwise.

(4) Misrepresentation-concealment of fact-duty to amend. If any applicant, member of an applicant group, or licensee either intentionally or innocently misrepresents or conceals any material fact in any application form or as to any other information required to be disclosed by this chapter, such applicant, member of an applicant group or licensee shall be deemed to have violated the provisions of this chapter and his or her application may be disregarded or his or her license restricted or revoked as deemed appropriate by the board. In addition, if an application submitted does not contain the information required by this chapter, it will not be deemed filed until all information has been submitted in writing. It shall be the duty of the applicant to determine and submit the information required.

(5) In issuing the required license for the licensing of liquor stores in the city permitted by this chapter, the board will consider all applications filed before a closing date to be fixed by it and select from such applications the persons deemed by it in its sole discretion to have qualifications required by law and the most suitable circumstances and location in consideration of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the city for the lawful operation of liquor stores without regard to the order of time in which the applications are filed. Such persons and only such persons so selected shall receive licenses issued by the city. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)

**8-304. Limitations on issuance of licenses.** (1) No license shall be granted for the operation of a retail store for the sale of alcoholic beverages when, in the opinion of the board of mayor and aldermen, expressed by a majority thereof, the carrying on of such business at the premises covered by the application for a license would be closer than one hundred fifty feet (150') as measured from the main and principal front entrance of such business at such premises of licensee to the main and principal front entrance of a church, school, or library; a retailer's license issued under this chapter shall not be valid except at the premises recited in the application, and any change of location of said business shall be cause for immediate revocation of said, unless the location is approved by a majority of the board of mayor and aldermen.

(2) Pursuant to the authority contained in the Tennessee Code Annotated, § 57-3-406, no retail license shall be issued to any applicant for a new location that is within one thousand five hundred feet (1,500') of an existing operating establishment holding a license issued.

(3) No license shall be granted for the operation of a retail store for the sale of alcoholic beverages in a building structure that provides less than one thousand two hundred fifty (1,250) square feet of retail floor space.

(4) No license shall be granted for the operation of a retail store for the sale of alcoholic beverages on property not properly zoned for such use according to the White House Zoning Ordinance. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)

**8-305. Limitations on number of licenses.** No more than two (2) licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages shall be issued until such time the official census of the city's population is equal to or greater than twenty-four thousand (24,000). Thereafter, no more than one license for each twelve thousand (12,000) population for the sale of alcoholic beverages shall be issued under this chapter. Further, that the population limitations and restrictions as provided for above shall not be decreased unless, first, a public notice of such proposed change is published at least one (1) time fifteen (15) days before the first reading on such proposed amendment. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)

**8-306. Bond of licenses.** Bonds required herein shall be executed by a surety company, duly authorized and qualified to do business in Tennessee; bonds of retailers shall be two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500,00.00). Said bond shall be conditioned that the principal thereof shall pay any fine which may be assessed against such principal. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)

**8-307. Retailer's license.** (1) No retailer shall be a person who has been convicted of a felony involving moral turpitude, within ten (10) years prior to the time he or the concern with which he is connected shall receive a license; provided, however, that this provision shall not apply to any person who has been so convicted, but whose rights of citizenship have been restored or judgment of infamy has been removed by a court of competent jurisdiction; and in the case of any such conviction occurring after a license has been issued and received, the said license shall immediately be revoked, if such convicted felon be an individual licensee, and if not, the partnership, corporation or association with which he is connected shall immediately discharge him.

(2) No license shall under any condition be issued to any person who, within ten (10) years preceding application for such license or permit shall have been convicted of any offense under the laws of the State of Tennessee or of any other state or of the United States prohibiting or regulating the sale, possession, transportation, storing, manufacturing, or otherwise handling intoxicating liquors or who has, during said period, been engaged in business alone or with others, in violation of any of said laws or rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto. Any conviction of such offense could be reason for revocation of license.

(3) It shall be unlawful for any person to have ownership in, or participate, either directly or indirectly, in the profits of any retail business licensed, unless his interest in said business and the nature, extent and character thereof shall appear on the application; or if the interest is acquired after the issuance of a license, unless it shall be fully disclosed and approved by the majority of the board of mayor and aldermen. Where such interests is owned by such person on or before the application for any license, the burden shall be upon such person to see that this section is fully complied with, whether he, himself, signs or prepares the application, or whether the same is prepared by another; or if said interest is acquired after the issuance of the license, the burden of said disclosure of the acquisition of such interest shall be upon the seller and the purchaser.

(4) No retailer, or any employee thereof, engaged in the sale of alcoholic beverages shall be a person under the age of eighteen (18) years, and it shall be unlawful for any retailer to employ any person under eighteen (18) years of age for the physical storage, sale, or distribution of alcoholic beverages, or to permit any such person under said age on its place of business to engage in the storage, sale or distribution of alcoholic beverages.

(5) No retailer shall employ in the storage, sale or distribution of alcoholic beverages, any person who, within ten (10) years prior to the date of his employment, shall have been convicted of a felony involving moral turpitude, and in case an employee should be so convicted, he shall immediately be discharged; provided, however, that this provision shall not apply to any person who has been so convicted but whose rights of citizenship have been restored, or judgment of infamy has been removed by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(6) The issuance of a license docs not vest a property right in the licensee, but is a privilege subject to revocation or suspension according to this chapter.

(7) Misrepresentation of a material fact, or concealment of a material fact required to be shown in application for license shall be a violation of this chapter. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)

**8-308. Display of license.** Persons granted a license to carry on the business or undertaking contemplated therein shall, before being qualified to do business, display and post, and keep displayed and posted, in the most conspicuous place in their premises, such license. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)

**8-309. Transfer of licenses restricted.** The holder of a license may not sell, assign or transfer such license to any other person unless same is approved by a majority of the board of mayor and aldermen and the state commissioner and said license shall be good and valid only for the calendar year in which the same was issued. Provided, however, that licensees who are serving in the military force of the United States in the time of war may appoint an agent to

operate under the license of the licensee during the absence of the licensee. In such instances, the license shall continue to be carried and renewed in the name of the owner. The agent of the licensee shall conform to all the requirements of a licensee. No person who is ineligible to obtain a license shall be eligible to serve as the agent of a licensee under this section. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)

**8-310. Expiration date of license.** Licenses issued under this chapter shall expire at the end of each calendar year and, subject to the provisions of this chapter, may be renewed with a two hundred fifty dollar (\$250.00) renewal fee by February 1st of each calendar year. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)

**8-311. Federal license; effect of.** The possession of any federal license to sell alcoholic beverages without the corresponding requisite state license, shall in all cases be prima facie evidence that the holder of such federal license is selling alcoholic beverages in violation of the terms of this chapter. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)

**8-312. Inspection fee.** There is hereby levied and imposed an inspection fee of five percent (5%) on all gross purchases of alcoholic beverages made by licensee under this chapter. The payment of said fee shall be accompanied by copies of all billings made to the licensee by all wholesalers or distributors for said calendar month on a form, prescribed by the finance director. Failure to pay said fee and make said report accurately within the time prescribed, at the sole discretion of the board of mayor and aldermen, be cause for revocation of said license. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)

**8-313. Regulations for purchase and sale of intoxicating liquors.**

(1) It shall be unlawful for any person in this city to buy any alcoholic beverages herein defined from any person who does not hold the appropriate license under this chapter authorizing the sale of said beverages to him.

(2) No retailer shall purchase any alcoholic beverages from anyone other than a license wholesaler; nor shall any wholesaler sell any alcoholic beverages to anyone other than a licensed retailer.

(3) No alcoholic beverages shall be sold for consumption inside the establishment of a retail liquor store.

(4) The sale and delivery of alcoholic beverages shall be confined to the inside of the retail establishment of the licensee, and curbside service is not permitted. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)

**8-314. Solicitation.** No holder of a license issued shall employ any canvasser or solicitor for the purpose of receiving an order from a consumer for any alcoholic beverages at the residence or places of business of such consumer, nor shall any such licensee receive or accept any such order which shall have

been solicited or received at the residence or place of business of such consumer. This paragraph shall not be construed so as to prohibit the solicitation by a state licensed wholesaler of an order from any licensed retailer at the licensed premises. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)

**8-315. Regulation of retail sales.** (1) No retailer shall hold more than fifty percent (50%) of the licenses authorized for issuance in this municipality.

(2) No retailer shall sell, lend or give away any alcoholic beverages to any person who is known to be insane or mentally defective, or to any person who is visibly intoxicated, or to any person who is known to habitually drink alcoholic beverages to excess, or to any person who is known to be a habitual user of narcotics or other habit forming drugs.

(3) No retailer shall sell, lend or give away any alcoholic beverages to a person under twenty-one (21) years of age.

(4) Pursuant to the authority contained in the Tennessee Code Annotated, § 57-3-406, no retailer shall sell or give away any alcoholic beverage between eleven o'clock P.M. (11:00 P.M.) on Saturday and eight o'clock A.M. (8:00 A.M.) on Monday of each week. No retail store shall sell, give away or otherwise dispense alcoholic beverages except between the hours of eight o'clock A.M. (8:00 A.M.) and eleven o'clock P.M. (11:00 P.M.) on Monday through Saturday. The store may not be open to the general public except during regular business hours. Likewise, all retail liquor stores shall be closed for business on Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

(5) Pursuant to the authority contained in the Tennessee Code Annotated, § 57-3-406, no retailer shall sell or give away any alcoholic beverages on the following holidays: Christmas, Thanksgiving, Labor Day, New Year's Day and the Fourth of July.

(6) No retailer of alcoholic beverages shall keep or permit to be kept upon the licensed premises any alcoholic beverages in any unsealed bottles or other unsealed containers.

(7) No retailer as herein defined shall own, store or possess upon the licensed premises any unstamped merchandise required by the laws of Tennessee to have affixed thereto revenue stamps of said state. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)

**8-316. Failure to pay inspection fee.** Whenever any person licensed hereunder fails to account for or pay over to the finance director any inspection fee, or defaults in any of the conditions of his bond, the finance director shall report the same to the city attorney who shall immediately institute the necessary action for the recovery of any such inspection fee. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)

**8-317. Inspection of books, etc.** The finance director is authorized to examine the books, papers and records of any dealer for the purpose of

determining whether the provisions of this chapter are being complied with. The refusal to permit the examination of any such books, papers, and records, or the investigation and examination of such premises, shall constitute, sufficient reason for the revocation of a license or the refusal to issue a license. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)

**8-318. Violation and penalty.** Any violation of the terms of this chapter shall be punishable by a fine of not more two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00); and in the discretion of the board of mayor and aldermen may be cause for revocation of said license. (as added by Ord. #14-27, Dec. 2014)