



Techniques for Effective Alcohol Management

State information: Kentucky

General Regulations

Legal age to Consume Alcohol: 21
Legal age to Serve Alcohol: 18
Limit for Driving While Intoxicated: .08
Dram Shop Liability Laws: Yes
Maximum Alcohol per Drink: Not regulated

Server Training

Kentucky currently does not regulate server training. The state offers the STAR (Server Training in Alcohol Regulations) program which covers Kentucky laws. Some local jurisdictions may require training.

Acceptable Forms of ID

Left to the discretion of the establishment.

Recommended Age for Carding

None

ID Confiscation

Kentucky does not authorize licensees to confiscate false IDs. Licensees who recognize false IDs are to contact local law enforcement.

Policies Regarding Minors

It is unlawful to serve or sell alcohol to anyone under the age of 21. Minors are not permitted in establishments that serve alcohol unless at least 50% of the total sales are from food. Minors are not allowed in package stores. Fairs, athletic events, and concerts are exempt from these restrictions. Minors are not allowed to consume alcohol in the presence of their parents or legal guardian under any circumstances, either on or off a licensed premise.

Non-Alcoholic Beer and Wine

Not regulated.

Alcohol Liability

The penalties for serving or selling alcohol to a minor or someone who is visibly intoxicated are both criminal and administrative. The criminal penalties can include up to 90 days in jail for the first offense and up to 12 months in jail and/or a \$500 fine for any subsequent offenses. The administrative penalties are decided by the ABC Board. The Board may, in its discretion, order a suspension of the license for a violation of an ABC statute or regulation, or grant the licensee the option of a fine in lieu of the suspension. License revocation is also a possible penalty.

State Contact Information

Kentucky Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet



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