A KEITH BURT DIRECTOR AND SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSION



STATE OF OKLAHOMA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LAWS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

March 24, 2020

To All Interested Licensees,

In further response to the Covid-19/Coronavirus outbreak, and pursuant to previously issued Executive Orders issued by Governor J. Kevin Stitt, the Oklahoma ABLE Commission provides the following guidance in addition to and in conjunction with agency statements dated March 17, 2020.

- 1. The delivery of alcoholic beverages including beer, wine, and spirits to consumers age 21 and over by retail spirit licensees (liquor stores) is authorized until April 17, 2020. Only employees of said liquor stores licensed by the Oklahoma ABLE Commission shall make such deliveries. Payment for such products may be made by cash, check, or transportable credit/debit card processors such as "Square". Online payments prior to delivery remain restricted at this time.
- 2. Licensed small brewers and small farm wineries may deliver only alcoholic beverages produced by such licensee in sealed original containers to consumers age 21 and over until April 17, 2020. Only employees of said small brewers or small farm wineries licensed by the Oklahoma ABLE Commission shall make such deliveries. Payment for such products may be made by cash, check, or transportable credit/debit card processors such as "Square". Online payments prior to delivery remain restricted at this time.
- 3. Restaurants, bars, and clubs holding mixed beverage, beer and wine, or caterer/mixed beverage licenses may deliver original sealed packages of beer and wine only to consumers age 21 and over until April 17, 2020. Only employees of said restaurants licensed by the Oklahoma ABLE Commission shall make such deliveries. Payment for such products may be made by cash, check, or transportable credit/debit card processors such as "Square". Online payments prior to delivery remain restricted as well as the delivery of mixed beverages at this time. Restaurants and bars in counties, cities, or towns subject to orders of the Governor or a municipality concerning closure to the public shall remain closed to the public while conducting these delivery operations.
- 4. Grocery and convenient stores in this state holding a Retail Beer and/or Retail Wine license may deliver closed containers of beer and/or wine only according to the license held to consumers age 21 and over until April 17, 2020. Only employees of said grocery or

convenience store licensed by the Oklahoma ABLE Commission shall make such deliveries. Payment for such products may be made by cash, check, or transportable credit/debit card processors such as "Square". Online payments prior to delivery remain restricted at this time.

- 5. No licensee authorized above to conduct alcohol deliveries shall utilize third party vendors for purposes of completing deliveries such as DoorDash, UberEats, and Drizzly.
- 6. Licensees should remain aware of and obedient to all gubernatorial executive orders, as well as municipal executive orders concerning the response to Covid-19, including closure orders.

This guidance may be amended, revoked, or extended as the circumstances concerning Covid-19 develop. Please direct any questions on these topics to Steven Barker at 405-522-3050, or by email at steven.barker@able.ok.gov.

Respectfully,

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