



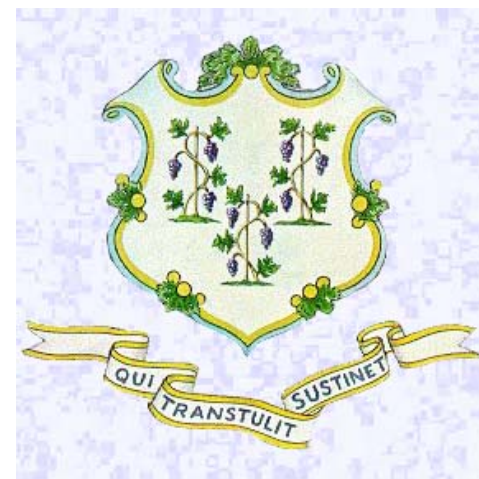
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**PACKAGE STORE  
PERMIT**



**QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE**

**Our goal:**  
*To inform our permit holders and  
promote the safe service of alcohol.*

**Ned Lamont**  
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**Legal Hours of Sales for a Package Store Permit**

Monday through Saturday  
8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.  
Sunday  
10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Holiday Sales Allowed**

Memorial Day  
Independence Day  
Labor Day  
8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**Prohibited Days**

Thanksgiving  
Christmas  
New Year's Day

Alcohol may be sold on the Monday following any Christmas or New Year's Day which falls on a Sunday.

*\*\*Local ordinances may be more restrictive\*\**

**Permit Definition** Refer to 30-20(a) of the C.G.S.

**Permit Requirements**

**Permit Recorded** Each year your new permit must be filed with the town clerk's office. The clerk will stamp the original permit and keep a copy on file. You will note that the permit is endorsed:

**“THIS PERMIT IS OF NO EFFECT UNTIL FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK.”**

**Permit Framed and Hung in Plain View**

Your liquor permit must be kept in a frame for protection and hung inside the premises so as to be visible to the public.

**Permittee Sign** The permittee sign shall appear at all times adjacent to the main entrance of the permit premises in such a manner as to be visible from the sidewalk or street.

*Example:*

<b>Michael Brooks</b> <b>Permittee</b>
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**Rubber Stamp** No permittee shall receive any liquor deliveries unless upon receipt the retailer affixes by rubber stamp or signs the invoice with information containing the trade name of retailer, the name of the permittee and the signature or initials of the recipient of the merchandise. *Example of rubber stamp:*

<b>Received By</b> Main Street Café Michael Brooks, Permittee Date: _____ By: _____
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**Liquor Invoices** A two (2) year record of liquor invoices must be maintained on the premises. Approval may be

granted to keep the invoices off premises upon written request.

**Liquor/Beer Prices** All liquor prices must be posted on or near the liquor item. A list of *all* beer prices must be displayed in the store near the beer items.

**Discounted Item** Allows the holder of a package store permit to sell one alcoholic or one beer item below cost each month, provided that the item is not discounted more than 10%. To register a product, create an account at the following website:  
[https://www.biznet.ct.gov/DCP\\_LiquorControl\\_Retailers](https://www.biznet.ct.gov/DCP_LiquorControl_Retailers)

**Age Statements Forms** A permittee shall require any person whose age is in question to fill out and sign a statement in the following form. This form is only to be used in conjunction with identification shown. Completed Age Statement Forms must be maintained on the premises in alphabetical order.

**Prohibited Sales** Sale to minors. (under 21 years of age)  
Sale to intoxicated person.  
Sale before or after legal hours.  
Sale to another liquor permit holder.

*Note: You have the right to refuse sale if you suspect the patron is a minor or is intoxicated.*

**Employees** Must be at least eighteen (18) years old to sell/serve alcohol.

**TASTINGS**

No alcoholic liquor shall be consumed on the premises of a package store except tastings. Refer to Section 30-6-B21a of the Regulations of Title 30 C.G.S.

\*Only Ten (10) uncorked bottles of wine allowed open at any one time\*

\*Only Four (4) uncorked bottles or cans of distilled spirits and/or beers at any one time\*

**Tasting amounts:** Cordials & spirits 1/2 ounce  
Wine 1 ounce  
Beer 2 ounces

*Note: Tastings are allowed during legal hours of off premises sales.*

**Classes:** May conduct fee-based wine education and tasting classes at the store during the days and hours they are allowed to be open to sell alcoholic liquor.

**Other Allowable Sale Items**

Cigarettes and cigars, publications, bar utensils (items used to consume or related to consumption of alcoholic liquor), gift packages of alcoholic liquor shipped into the state by a manufacturer or out of state shipper, nonalcoholic beverages, complementary fresh fruits used in the preparation of mixed alcoholic beverages, cheese or crackers, or both, olives, concentrates used in the preparation of mixed alcoholic beverages, beer and wine-making kits and products related to beer and wine making kits, ice in any form, articles of

clothing imprinted with advertising related to the alcoholic liquor industry, gift baskets containing only containers of alcoholic liquor and commodities listed above, and lottery tickets authorized by the Department of Consumer Protection.

**Keg Registration:**

A holder of this permit shall at the time of sale (1) place an identification tag on all kegs sold by the permittee, (2) require each purchaser of any such keg to sign a receipt for the keg, and (3) inform such purchaser that any deposit paid by the purchaser for the keg, if required, shall be forfeited if the keg is returned without the original identification tag intact and readable. Keg books are available from the Department. The permittee shall retain a copy of all such receipts on the permit premises for a period of six months and shall be available for inspection and copying by the department or any criminal justice agency. The information regarding the deposit may be given verbally to each purchaser or may be provided by means of a sign at least six by nine inches conspicuously posted at the point of sale.

**The sign must read as follows:**

**ANY DEPOSIT PAID BY THE PURCHASER FOR THE KEG, IF REQUIRED, SHALL BE FORFEITED IF THE KEG IS RETURNED WITHOUT THE ORIGINAL IDENTIFICATION TAG INTACT AND READABLE**

A permittee may not refund the deposit if the returned keg does not have an identification tag required or if the identification tag has been defaced to the extent that the information cannot be read.

**LIQUOR PERMITS ARE NOT TRANSFERABLE**

Any change in ownership or transfer of stock must be reported to the Department prior to that change. Your liquor permit must be canceled upon sale or transfer of the business. New business owners must apply and be granted their own permit prior to selling any alcohol.

**LIQUOR MAY BE PURCHASED ONLY FROM AN AUTHORIZED WHOLESALER**

You may only purchase liquor from an authorized wholesaler licensed by the Department of Consumer Protection, Liquor Control Division.

**BEER MUST BE PURCHASED WITHIN A GEOGRAPHIC TERRITORY**

All wholesalers have a geographic territory in which they are allowed to sell certain brands of beer. It is your responsibility to ensure that you are purchasing from the correct distributor.

If you have any questions regarding your Package Store permit, please call us at:

Agent Investigations/Complaints	(860) 713-6210
New Applications and Renewals	(860) 713-6200
Transfer of Stock or Interest	(860) 713-6210
Keg Registration books	(860) 713-6000

*This pamphlet is a quick reference guide only.*

*For complete information regarding your Package Store Permit, refer to Title 30 of the Connecticut General Statutes.*