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Regulation 47-322. Unfair Trade Practices and Competition.

<u>Basis and Purpose</u>. The statutory authority for this regulation includes, but is not limited to, subsections 44-3-102, 44-3-103, 44-3-201(1), 44-3-202(1)(b), 44-3-202(2)(a), 44-3-202(2)(a)(I)(A), 44-3-202(2)(a)(I)(C), 44-3-202(2)(a)(I)(G), 44-3-202(2)(a)(I)(R), 44-3-308, and 44-4-102, C.R.S. The purpose of this regulation is to establish certain permitted and prohibited trade practices between suppliers and retailers in order to clarify and prevent statutorily prohibited financial assistance between tiers.

Suppliers and their agents or employees may not attempt to control a retail licensee's product purchase selection by engaging in unfair trade practices or competition.

Nothing in this regulation shall apply to non-profit, charitable, or other qualifying organizations, when such organization conducts licensed events pursuant to the requirements contained in article 5 of title 44 and related regulations, and such organization does not otherwise hold a retail license pursuant to article 3 or 4 of title 44. However, nothing herein shall authorize any financial assistance for the purpose of altering or influencing an organization's product selection for said events.

Retailers may not accept any prohibited financial assistance as described herein, and suppliers are prohibited from directly or indirectly engaging in the following unfair practices:

A. Sales of alcohol beverages.

- No vinous or spirituous liquor may be sold by a vinous or spirituous liquor manufacturer or wholesaler to a retail licensee below the laid-in cost of said vinous and spirituous liquor products.
- 2. No malt liquors or fermented malt beverages may be sold by a malt liquor/beverage manufacturer or wholesaler to a retail licensee below the laid-in cost of said malt liquor/beverage products.
- 3. Product cost per case will be determined utilizing a "Last In/First Out" basis unless a supplier has adequate records to verify that the actual cost of said products was less than the most recent shipment received.

- 4. A wholesaler's laid-in cost is defined as the actual proportionate invoice price and freight charge to that wholesaler or distributor, plus applicable state and federal taxes of any given product. An in-state manufacturer's laid-in cost is defined as the actual costs of the manufacturer, plus applicable state and federal taxes.
- 5. Certain sales of alcohol beverages below cost are not designed or intended to influence or control a retailer's product selection. The following exceptions to below cost product sales are therefore permitted:
 - a. Product lines that will be discontinued by a supplier for a minimum of at least one year may be sold below cost at market value.
 - b. A wholesaler's aged inventory of vinous and spirituous liquors for which the current market value has fallen substantially below the wholesaler's original purchase cost, after a period of twelve (12) months, and for which a recovery of the original cost through an increase in market value is unlikely. For aged inventories sold to retailers below their cost due to market-below-cost conditions, wholesalers shall maintain the following records for a minimum of three years:
 - i. Original purchase invoice.
 - ii. Aged inventory schedule verifying slow sales and drop in market value.
 - iii. Other factors that had an effect on a decrease in market value (e.g. overproduction, poor media critique).
 - c. Products for use, but not for resale by the drink, by a non-profit organization or similar group, as defined in section 44-5-102, C.R.S., on a retailer's licensed premises, may be invoiced to a retailer at no cost. The invoice for said products must detail the products provided and the group for whose benefit it is provided. At the conclusion of the organization's event any unused product must be returned to the wholesaler, brew pub, distillery pub, or vintner's restaurant, or invoiced at a minimum of laid-in cost to the retailer.
- 6. Suppliers authorized to sell alcohol beverages to licensed retailers pursuant to articles 3 or 4 of title 44, may offer product discounts to licensed retailers that meet the requirements of paragraph A, and the following additional conditions:
 - a. "Product Discount" shall mean a price reduction negotiated between supplier and retailer before the sale and delivery of alcohol beverage products, and where a description of the products subject to discount, and the dollar amount of the discount, is finalized and recorded in the supplier's sales records.
 - b. Discount programs are not subject to time limitations, and any discount program that will affect more than a single sales transaction and sales invoice are permitted, provided that no invoice, by itself, reflects a zero cost or below-cost sale.
 - c. Product discounts that are conditioned upon a retailer's commitment to prominently display the supplier's products are prohibited.
- 7. Any rebate, whereby a monetary value is returned by a supplier to a retailer, in cash, account credit, or free goods, as a reward or compensation for meeting a pre-specified purchase goal, is prohibited.

- 8. Suppliers authorized to sell alcohol beverages to licensed retailers pursuant to articles 3 or 4 of title 44, may offer account credits to licensed retailers under the following conditions:
 - a. Any account credit offered on previously issued sales invoices must be in direct relation to previous product purchases, lawful returns pursuant to this regulation or other legitimate commercial transactions as authorized under articles 3 or 4 of title 44, C.R.S. and related regulations.
 - b. Credits that cannot be connected with authorized business transactions, as described herein, will be considered unlawful financial assistance, and are therefore prohibited.
 - c. Both the seller and retail licensee shall maintain copies of sales invoices and evidence of payment related to the transactions described in this section, in accordance with 44-3-701, C.R.S., and for the time frame specified in Regulation 47-700.
- 9. Wholesaler invoices provided to retail liquor store, fermented malt beverage and wine retailer off-premises, and liquor licensed drugstore licensees must clearly designate a price paid for each product, which shall not be less than the wholesaler's laid-in cost of each product. At no point may a retail liquor store, fermented malt beverage and wine retailer off-premises, or liquor licensed drugstore licensee receive any products from a wholesaler at less than laid-in cost.

B. On-site sales promotions

- 1. Suppliers may conduct an on-site product sales promotion at a retailer's licensed premises subject to the following conditions:
 - a. Free goods of any value may be provided to the public, provided that a supplier's representative or authorized agent, who is not the retailer or a retail employee/agent, is physically present to award free goods to the public. Suppliers shall not require a customer purchase in order for the customer to receive the free goods.
 - b. If only consumer advertising specialties, as described in Regulation 47-316(A), are to be provided at the promotion, neither suppliers or their agents need be present for their distribution.
 - c. Suppliers are prohibited from providing anything other than the items specified in Regulation 47-316(A) to retailers or their employees at on-site product sales promotions.
 - d. Suppliers may provide or pay for any media announcement of an on-site product sales promotion that primarily advertises the product, the location, and the date and time of the promotion. The name of the retail outlet may also be mentioned.
 - e. Retailers may at their own cost advertise in advance a supplier's product sales promotion.
 - f. No supplier may require that a retailer change its product selection as a condition of conducting a product sales promotion. Retailers may at their option

change their product selection in support of a product sales promotion.

- g. Competitors' products may not be excluded during a product sales promotion.
- 2. On-Premises Sampling. A supplier-sponsored consumer sampling of alcohol beverages may be held at a retailer's premises licensed for on-premises consumption for the purpose of product sales promotion under the following conditions:
 - A supplier-sponsored consumer sampling held at the licensed premises of a retailer licensed for on-premises consumption shall include only the alcohol beverages the retailer is licensed to sell.
 - b. The supplier shall only offer its alcohol beverage product to consumers during a supplier-sponsored consumer sampling.
 - c. A retailer or supplier shall not impose any charge to the consumer to enter or participate in the sampling.
 - d. Product used for sampling must be invoiced by the supplier, who is authorized to sell the alcohol beverages to licensed retailers pursuant to article 3 or 4 of title 44, as if sold to the retailer.
 - e. If all product listed in the sales invoice is consumed as permitted herein, the supplier may issue the retailer a credit against the entire amount of the original invoice.
 - f. Any remaining product must be returned to the wholesaler, or sold to the retailer at a minimum of the wholesaler's cost.
 - g. The supplier must be present and shall be the person who provides the sample to a consumer who is twenty-one (21) years of age or older.
 - h. Suppliers may provide or pay for any media announcement of a suppliersponsored consumer sampling that primarily advertises the product, the location, and the date and time of the sampling. The name of the retail outlet may also be mentioned.
- 3. Off-Premises Giveaway. A supplier-sponsored consumer giveaway of sealed malt liquor or fermented malt beverages may be held at a retailer's premises licensed for off-premises consumption for the purpose of product sales promotion under the following conditions:
 - a. A supplier-sponsored consumer giveaway held at the licensed premises of a retailer licensed for off-premises consumption is limited to either sealed malt liquor or fermented malt beverages, whichever the retailer is licensed to sell.
 - b. The supplier shall only offer its malt liquor or fermented malt beverages product to consumers during a supplier-sponsored consumer giveaway.
 - c. A retailer or supplier shall not impose any charge to the consumer to enter or participate in the giveaway.
 - d. Product used for the giveaway must be invoiced by a supplier, who is authorized to sell malt liquor or fermented malt beverage to licensed retailers

pursuant to article 3 or 4 of title 44, as if sold to the retailer.

- e. If all product listed in the sales invoice is given away as permitted herein, the supplier may issue the retailer a credit against the entire amount of the original invoice.
- f. Any remaining product must be returned to the wholesaler, or sold to the retailer at a minimum of the wholesaler's cost.
- g. The supplier must be present and shall be the person who gives the sealed container to consumers. The supplier must verify that each consumer is of lawful age prior to giving away the sealed container.
- h. Suppliers may provide or pay for any media announcement of a supplier-sponsored consumer giveaway that primarily advertises the product, the location, and the date and time of the giveaway. The name of the retail outlet may also be mentioned.
- i. The maximum amount of malt liquor or fermented malt beverages given to each consumer shall not exceed twenty-six (26) ounces.

C. Sponsored events: Lawful Advertising

- 1. Suppliers may provide sponsorship fees to advertise at charitable or civic events that are temporary in nature, where the supplier's sponsorship fee affords the supplier exclusive signage rights at the retail premises, and where sponsorship proceeds are received directly by the charity or civic endeavor, and not by a licensed retailer.
- Suppliers may provide a sponsorship fee to advertise in ballparks, resorts, racetracks, stadiums, concert venues or entertainment districts as long as such sponsorship fee is not paid to a person or entity holding a retail license at such venue, directly or indirectly, and is not intended to influence the product selection of such retailer. The retailer's product selection for the event may not change as a condition of the event sponsorship and the products of the supplier's competitors may not be excluded.
- 3. Suppliers may provide or pay for any media announcement of a sponsored event that primarily advertises the product, the location, and the date and time of the event. The name of the retail outlet may also be mentioned.
- 4. Suppliers providing sponsorship fees to advertise at the aforementioned venues may also provide those items and services authorized under regulations 47-316, 47-320, and 47-322 to the licensed retailers at, or in conjunction with, the sponsored event.

D. Retailer entertainment

Suppliers may provide food, beverages, entertainment, recreation, or the costs associated with the same, to a retailer and its employees at meetings, social events, conferences, trainings, or other similar events, subject to the following:

- 1. Food, beverages, entertainment, or recreation are provided when, and where, suppliers or supplier representatives are participating or present.
- 2. Entertainment may include tickets or admission fees for athletic or sporting events, concerts, artistic performances, festivals, and similar forms of entertainment.

- Recreation may include fees associated with participation in athletic or sports-related activities.
- 4. For any supplier-provided retailer entertainment, the supplier is prohibited from providing the costs associated with lodging and travel, other than nominal ground transportation.
- 5. Suppliers must maintain records sufficient to verify those entertainment expenses associated with retailers and their employees. Failure to maintain such records shall not be a per se violation of this regulation, but could constitute a violation of section 44-3-701, C.R.S. or Regulation 47-700.

E. Alcohol Beverage Samples for Retailers

- 1. Wholesalers, or those licensed to sell at wholesale pursuant to article 3 and 4 of title 44, may furnish or give a limited amount of alcohol beverage samples to retailers licensed solely for on-premises or to fermented malt beverage on/off premises retailers under the following conditions:
 - a. The retailer's class of liquor license permits the sale of the type of beverage offered as a sample.
 - b. The providing of samples is not conditioned upon future purchases of alcohol beverages, or as compensation for any previous alcohol beverage purchase.
 - c. The retailer has not purchased the product SKU of the alcohol beverage offered as a sample within the previous six (6) months.
 - cd. The wholesaler provides not more than 3.0 liters per brand of spirituous liquor, not more than 3.0 liters per brand of vinous liquor, and not more than one six-pack, or 72-ounce equivalent, per brand of malt liquor or fermented malt beverage so packaged. If a particular brand is not available in a size meeting the quantity limitations stated herein, a wholesaler may furnish the next available larger size.
 - de. Only the retailer and its employees are authorized to taste or test those alcohol beverages given as samples, as provided herein. Nothing shall authorize a retailer to sell any samples provided or to use such the same for consumer tastings.
 - e. Neither manufacturers that do not hold a wholesaler license, nor retail licensees that do not have the privilege to sell at wholesale associated with their licenses, may provide alcohol beverage samples to retailers under subparagraph (1).
- 2. Wholesalers, or those licensed to sell at wholesale pursuant to article 3 and 4 of title 44, may furnish or give a limited amount of alcohol beverage samples to retailers licensed solely for off-premises under the following conditions:
 - a. The retailer's class of liquor license permits the sale of the type of beverage offered as a sample.
 - b. The providing of samples is not conditioned upon future purchases of alcohol beverages, or as compensation for any previous alcohol beverage

purchase.

- c. The wholesaler provides not more than 3.0 liters per brand of spirituous liquor, not more than 3.0 liters per brand of vinous liquor, and not more than one six-pack per brand of malt liquor or fermented malt beverage so packaged. If a particular brand is not available in a size meeting the quantity limitations stated herein, a wholesaler may furnish the next available larger size.
- d. The wholesaler is present at the time of consumption and maintains sole possession of the container after sampling. Samples, in the quantities described herein, may be left in the retailer's possession if the container seal is left intact, but must be removed from the licensed premises at the end of the day.

F. Wholesaler Trade Shows and Trade Events

- 1. For purposes of this Regulation 47-322(F):
 - a. "Trade show" means an event to which more than fourteen (14) authorized attendees are invited and which is organized and conducted by or on behalf of one or more wholesalers, as defined in Regulation 47-100(I), for the purpose of exhibiting and providing information regarding alcohol beverage products and services offered by the participating wholesaler(s), to retailers licensed to buy such alcohol beverage products from the wholesaler(s), and to provide samples of such alcohol beverage products for consumption during the event.
 - b. "Trade event" means an event to which fourteen (14) or fewer authorized attendees are invited and which is organized and conducted by or on behalf of one or more wholesalers, as defined in Regulation 47-100(I), for the purpose of exhibiting and providing information regarding alcohol beverage products and services offered by the participating wholesaler(s), to retailers licensed to buy such alcohol beverage products from the wholesaler(s), and to provide samples of such alcohol beverage products for consumption during the event.
 - "Hosting on-premises retailer" means a retailer licensed for on-premises consumption on whose licensed premises a trade show or trade event is held.
 - d. "Authorized attendees" means, and shall be limited to:
 - Officers, directors, and employees of a retail licensee that is licensed to sell the type of alcohol beverages to be exhibited and sampled during the trade show or trade event;
 - ii. Other individuals affiliated with one or more retail licensees as independent consultants or experts; and
 - iii. No more than one adult guest of each individual authorized to attend the trade show or trade event under subparagraphs (d)(i)-(ii).
- 2. Trade shows or trade events are subject to the following requirements and limitations:
 - a. A trade show or trade event shall take place only with the permission of, and on the licensed premises of, a hosting on-premises retailer that is licensed to sell

the type of alcohol beverages to be exhibited and sampled during the trade show or trade event.

- b. A trade show or trade event shall not be open to the general public, and shall be limited to authorized attendees registered (either in advance or at the door). The wholesaler(s) participating in the trade show or trade event shall maintain registration records containing, at a minimum, the date of the trade show or trade event, the name of the hosting on-premises retailer, the name of each authorized attendee who attended the trade show or trade event, and the name of the licensed retailer(s) with which each authorized attendee is associated. The registration records from the trade show or trade event shall be available for inspection by the Division during the trade show or trade event and shall be provided to the Division within ten (10) days of the conclusion of the trade show or trade event.
- c. By agreement, the participating wholesaler(s), the hosting on-premises retailer or both (including such entities' agents and employees) may serve samples of alcohol beverage product(s) to authorized attendees during a trade show or trade event. Such samples shall be provided to authorized attendees free of charge.
 - i. The entity or entities responsible for the serving of the alcohol beverage products during a trade show or trade event shall be responsible for any violations of the Liquor Code, Beer and Wine Code, or Special Event Code, and/or any regulation promulgated pursuant thereto, related to the serving of alcohol beverage products during a trade show or trade event, including, but not limited to, violations related to service of alcohol beverages to a visibly intoxicated person or to a person under twenty-one years of age.
- d. Alcohol beverage products used for a trade show or trade event must comply with all applicable product registration and labeling requirements, including those set forth in Regulation 47-904(F) and (G).
- e. All taxes, fees and surcharges required by section 44-3-503, C.R.S., must be paid for all alcohol beverage products used in a trade show or trade event.
- f. Invoices for alcohol beverage products used for a trade show or trade event must be clearly labeled as a "No-Cost Trade Show/Event Inventory Record" and shall be subject to the following requirements:
 - i. Any wholesaler participating in a trade show or trade event must invoice any alcohol beverage products to be used in the trade show or trade event to the hosting on-premises retailer. Notwithstanding any other rule or regulation to the contrary contained in 1 CCR 203-2, the wholesaler shall invoice the hosting on-premises retailer for alcohol beverage products to be used in a trade show or trade event at no cost.
 - ii. The hosting on-premises retailer must receive all wholesalers' invoice(s) for alcohol beverage products to be used in the trade show or trade event prior to the commencement of the trade show or trade event, and shall retain such invoice(s) for their records.

- iii. Any wholesaler(s) participating in a trade show or trade event shall provide the Division with copies of all invoice(s) to be issued in accordance with this paragraph (F)(2)(f) as an accounting for all the alcohol beverage products intended to be used during the trade show, and the anticipated drop-off and pick-up dates for such alcohol product, at least three (3) days prior to the commencement of the trade show.
- iv. In order to account for unanticipated changes in the alcohol beverage products to be used during a trade show or trade event, any Wholesaler(s) participating in a trade show or trade event may provide the Division with an "Amended No-cost Trade Show/Event Inventory Record" before the commencement of the scheduled trade show or trade event, provided the wholesaler(s) complied with the provisions of paragraph (F)(2)(f)(iii) of this regulation in the first instance.
- v. At the conclusion of the trade show or trade event, any alcohol beverage product(s) invoiced for use during the trade show or trade event (whether opened or unopened) shall be removed from the hosting on-premises retailer's licensed premises by the wholesaler(s), or destroyed.
 - A. Any alcohol beverage product(s) invoiced for use during the trade show or trade event remaining on the hosting on-premises retailer's licensed premises at the conclusion of the trade show or trade event, and awaiting wholesaler pick-up, must be held in a secure area of the hosting on-premises retailer's licensed premises, kept separate from, and clearly labeled to distinguish such alcohol beverage product(s) from, the host on-premises retailer's stock, by affixing a copy of the most current invoice issued pursuant to paragraph (F)(2)(f)(iii), or (F)(2)(f)(iv) of this regulation, and marking such invoice with the anticipated pick-up date of the alcohol beverage product(s), which shall be no more than thirty (30) days after the conclusion of the Trade Show or Trade Event.
 - B. Allowing any alcohol beverage product(s) invoiced for use during the trade show or trade event (whether opened or unopened) to remain on the hosting on-premises retailer's licensed premises after the conclusion of the thirty (30) day pick-up window allowed for in paragraph (F)(2)(f)(v)(A) above, shall be deemed a violation of this Regulation, for which both the wholesaler(s), and hosting on-premises retail licensee shall be responsible.
- g. No delivery or exchange of alcohol beverage product(s) between a participating wholesaler and authorized buyer of same shall take place during the trade show or trade event.
- h. A hosting on-premises retailer shall not be deemed to be receiving unlawful financial assistance from the wholesaler(s) participating in the trade show or trade event, so long as the hosting on-premises retailer does not directly benefit from the sale of any alcohol beverage product exhibited to or sampled by authorized attendees during the trade show or trade event.

- i. All documents and information required to be provided to the Division pursuant to paragraphs (F)(2)(b) and (F)(2)(F) of this regulation, shall be provided using a method authorized by the Division (which, at the Division's discretion, may be through uploading the records to an online location specified by the Division or through electronic mail).
- 3. This Regulation 47-322(F) shall not apply to:
 - a. Events similar to those addressed in this Regulation that are organized and conducted as special events pursuant to, and in compliance with article 5 of title 44, the exemption set forth in section 44-5-108, C.R.S., provisions of article 3 of title 44 applicable to special events, and Regulations 47-1000 through 47-1022, 1 CCR 203-2.
 - b. Tastings conducted by a licensed winery pursuant to section 44-3-402(2), C.R.S.; by a limited winery, pursuant to section 44-3-403(2)(e), C.R.S.; by a distillery, pursuant to section 44-3-402(7), C.R.S.; by a beer wholesaler, pursuant to section 44-3-407(1)(b), C.R.S.; or as part of a festival permit, pursuant to section 44-3-404, C.R.S.
- G. Consignment Sales and Lawful Product Returns
 - 1. Wholesalers are prohibited from making consignment sales to retailers.
 - A consignment sale is an arrangement whereby a wholesaler invoices and delivers alcohol beverages to a retailer who is under no obligation to pay for such beverages until they are resold. Consignment sales also afford the retailer the right to return product to the wholesaler for any reason.
 - 3. Wholesalers are permitted to accept a return of alcohol beverages previously sold to retailers for ordinary and usual commercial reasons and to provide account credit or product exchange. Such commercial reasons for return shall be limited to the following:
 - a. Defective products: Products qualifying under this exception are those that are upon delivery, or later become, unmarketable due to contamination or deterioration of product ingredients, leaking containers, damaged labels, or missing, damaged or compromised container seals.
 - b. Broken containers or short-filled containers/cases: Nothing shall prevent a retailer from making a claim for the replacement of alcohol beverages that were delivered by a wholesaler in a damaged or incomplete condition, and nothing shall prevent a wholesaler from granting credible claims.
 - c. Error in products delivered: Any discrepancy between a retailer's product order and the products delivered may be corrected by the wholesaler within a reasonable period after delivery.
 - d. Discontinued products: When a manufacturer or importer discontinues the production, importation, or market availability of a product, a retailer may return any remaining product to the original wholesaler. A retailer's decision to discontinue a product does not qualify.
 - e. Manufacturer's product change: When a manufacturer has changed the formula, proof, label or container of an alcohol beverage, wholesalers may

- withdraw the product from the retailer's inventory and replace it with the newly-manufactured product.
- f. Manufacturer's quality standards: To ensure freshness standards for malt liquor and fermented malt beverages, wholesalers, with retailer consent, may withdraw product from the retailer's inventory and replace it with new product, without additional charge, under the following conditions:
 - i. Out of freshness standard is defined as: a product that has a pre-printed freshness date on the alcohol beverage container that is no more than thirty (30) days away from the current date.
 - ii. The product to be withdrawn is undamaged and in its original packaging.
 - iii. The retailer purchased the original product from the wholesaler providing the replacement, or the current wholesaler is acting as an authorized successor wholesaler.
 - iv. The wholesaler replaces the product with the identical product SKU, the identical quantity, and the identical package, or with a product from the same manufacturer's portfolio that is equal to or lesser in value to the original purchase.
 - v. A wholesaler may sell a product to another retailer that was picked up because it was within thirty (30) days prior to the freshness date. The sale of this replaced product to another retailer can only be done once.
- g. Retailer's seasonal operation: For those retailers who are only open for business a portion of the year due solely to seasonal influences, or for venues that operate only during scheduled events, a wholesaler may remove and grant credit for those products that are likely to spoil or violate a manufacturer's freshness standards.
- h. Wholesalers that have lawfully exercised their claim to a retailer's inventory as secured creditors.
- Products in a retailer's inventory that may no longer be sold due to statutory or regulatory changes or disciplinary actions over which the wholesaler and retailer had no control.
- j. Within thirty days of evidence of an expiration or a lawful surrender and cancellation of a retail liquor license by the state licensing authority.
- Holders of special events permits that have unsold alcohol beverages after the licensed event.
- 4. A return of product for the following reasons does not qualify as a return for ordinary and usual commercial reasons:
 - a. A retailer's overstocked inventory or slow-moving products.
 - b. Products for which there is only a limited-time or seasonal demand, such as holiday decanters or seasonal brands.

H. Warehousing of products for a retailer

Wholesalers shall not furnish free warehousing to retailers by delaying delivery of alcohol beverages beyond the time that payment for the product is received or, if a retailer is purchasing on credit, delaying final delivery of products beyond the close of the period of time for which credit is lawfully extended pursuant to 44-3-202(2)(b), C.R.S.

Product resets

Resets by a supplier are permitted, but a competitor's alcohol beverage products may not be disturbed during the reset process, unless the in-state seller of the competing products has been given 72 hours written notice, during normal and customary business hours, and is not present at the time designated for the reset activity. Suppliers may furnish a retailer with a recommended shelf plan or shelf schematic.

J. Equipment rentals

All equipment rentals by a supplier to a retailer must be at fair market value.

K. Other goods

Suppliers may not provide a retailer with any other goods below fair market value except those items expressly permitted by articles 3, 4, or 5 of title 44, C.R.S, and related regulations.

When a supplier also deals in items of commerce that are not regulated by articles 3, 4, or 5 of title 44, only the following restrictions shall apply:

- 1. The unregulated item(s) may not be provided as an inducement, or require purchase of alcohol beverages.
- 2. Any equipment or other goods provided free of charge (e.g. energy drink refrigerated coolers) shall not be provided in conjunction with alcohol sales or promotions.

L. Indirect financial assistance through third party arrangements

- 1. A supplier's furnishing of any equipment, supplies, services, money, or other things of value to a third party that is not licensed pursuant to article 3 or 4 of title 44, C.R.S. where the benefits resulting from such things of value flow to individual licensed retailers through written agreements or otherwise, is prohibited.
- 2. A supplier will not be in violation of this regulation when the unlicensed third party provides the prohibited item or service to a retailer without the supplier's knowledge, and the supplier could not have reasonably foreseen that the item or service would flow to a retailer.
- 3. Retailers that collude with unlicensed third parties to obtain prohibited financial assistance through a third-party arrangement between a third party and a licensed supplier shall be in violation of this regulation.
- 4. It shall not be a violation for a supplier to furnish items or services to a retailer that are otherwise specifically authorized by regulation or any provision within articles 3 or 4 of title 44, C.R.S.

M. Value of Labor

- 1. Definitions for purposes of this subsection (L):
 - a. "Deliver" or "delivering" is the act of a supplier bringing and unloading its alcohol beverage product from its delivery vehicle onto the retailer's licensed premises or permitted retail warehouse storage location. "Deliver" or "delivering" does not include a supplier bringing and unloading its alcohol beverage product from a permitted retail warehouse storage location to a retailer's licensed premises.
 - b. "Merchandise" or "merchandising" is the act of organizing, constructing, maintaining, or stocking a display of alcohol beverage product or alcohol beverage product promotional materials, including alcohol beverage product signs, consumer advertising specialties, or point-of-sale advertising, within the retailer's licensed premises.
 - c. "Price stamp" or "price stamping" is the act of affixing the retail price of alcohol beverage product to its respective shelf, refrigerator, or any other similar location within the retailer's licensed premises.
 - d. "Rotate" or "rotating" is the act of moving alcohol beverage product from the rear to the front of any shelf, refrigerator, or similar location within the retailer's licensed premises.
 - e. "Service" or "servicing" is the act of replacing, staging, and/or tapping kegs within a retail premises. "Service" or "servicing" also includes performing necessary cleaning of alcohol beverage dispensing equipment, to the extent necessary for the maintenance of reasonable standards of purity, cleanliness, and health.
 - f. "Stock" or "stocking" is the act of placing or replenishing alcohol beverage product on any shelf, refrigerator, or similar location within the retailer's licensed premises.
- 2. In a supplier's sole discretion, and if allowed by the retailer, a supplier may deliver, merchandise, price stamp, rotate, service, and stock its alcohol beverage product on the retailer's licensed premises at no cost to the retailer.
 - A supplier is prohibited from materially disturbing another supplier's alcohol beverage product while delivering, merchandising, price stamping, rotating, servicing, or stocking its own alcohol beverage product.
 - b. A supplier may only service the portion of the retailer's alcohol beverage dispensing equipment used for dispensing its alcohol beverage product.
- 3. A retailer is prohibited from requiring a supplier to provide any labor to the retailer, including, but not limited to, merchandising, price stamping, rotating, servicing, or stocking activities, as an express or implied condition of the delivery, purchase, or future purchases between the supplier and retailer.
- 4. Unless otherwise permitted under this Regulation, the Liquor Code, or the Beer and Wine Code, or unless the retailer pays the supplier at the normal hourly rate of the employee performing the labor, a supplier is prohibited from providing to a retailer, and a retailer is prohibited from accepting from a supplier, any labor other than the kinds of labor described in subsection (L)(2) of this Regulation, including, but not limited to:

- a. Cleaning, repairing, or otherwise maintaining the interior or exterior of a retailer's premises;
- b. Operating the retailer's powered mechanical equipment, other than pallet jacks; or
- c. Performing inventory for the retailer's records.

N. Prohibition.

 Except as otherwise provided by the Colorado Liquor Code, Colorado Beer and Wine Code, or Colorado Liquor Rules, a supplier is prohibited from disturbing another supplier's alcohol beverage product.

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Regulation 47-405. Festival Permit.

<u>Basis and Purpose.</u> The statutory authority for this regulation includes, but is not limited to, subsections 44- 3-202(1)(b), 44-3-202(2)(a)(I)(A), 44-3-202(2)(a)(I)(R), 44-3-404(10), and 44-3-601(9), C.R.S. The purpose of this regulation is to address eligibility, requirements, and restrictions for festival permits under section 44-3-404, C.R.S.

A. Festival Permits.

- 1. The following license types are eligible to obtain a festival permit or participate in a festival for which a permit has been obtained:
 - a. A manufacturer license under section 44-3-402, C.R.S.;
 - b. A limited winery license under section 44-3-403, C.R.S.;
 - c. A wholesaler's license under section 44-3-407, C.R.S.:
 - d. A beer and wine license under section 44-3-411, C.R.S.;
 - e. A hotel and restaurant license under section 44-3-413. C.R.S.:
 - f. A tavern license under 44-3-414, C.R.S;
 - g. A brew pub license under 44-3-417, C.R.S.;
 - h. A vintner's restaurant license under 44-3-422, C.R.S.; and
 - i. A distillery pub license under 44-3-426, C.R.S.
- 2. For purposes of this regulation, the term "permittee" means a licensee under Regulation 47- 405(A)(1) that has received a festival permit under this Regulation 47-405.
- 3. A festival may be held on the following premises, subject to the approval of the state licensing authority and the local licensing authority, if applicable:

- a. On the licensed premises of a licensee eligible to obtain a festival permit, so long as the licensed premises has been modified in accordance with Regulation 47-302 to exclude the area where the festival will be held; or
- b. On an otherwise unlicensed premises with permission from the premises owner.

B. Initial Festival Permit Application

- 1. Only licensees listed in Regulation 47-405(A) may file a festival permit application with the state licensing authority. The initial festival permit application must be filed with the state licensing authority, and, if applicable the local licensing authority, at least thirty (30) calendar days before the date the first festival is to be held, and must include:
 - a. The eligible license type and license number of the festival permit applicant;
 - A description of the licensed premises for the first festival, including whether the licensed premises for the festival is located on an existing licensed premises that has been modified;
 - c. The date of the first festival;
 - d. Duration of the festival, which cannot exceed seventy-two (72) hours;
 - e. A processing fee of fifty dollars (\$50 USD);
 - f. Contact information of a primary contact for each participating licensee including name, title, phone number and email address;
 - g. Any special event permit application that has been or will be filed in connection with the festival:
 - h. Confirmation that the applicant has provided notification to the local licensing authority of the location and date of the initial festival;
 - i. A security and control plan, which must be provided to and agreed to by each participating licensee, which specifies:
 - i. Hours of service of alcohol beverages;
 - ii. Entries and exits;
 - iii. How and where alcohol will be secured and stored when setting up for the festival, during the festival, and after conclusion of the festival;
 - iv. How visibly intoxicated parties will be handled; and
 - v. How the licensee plans to prevent persons under twenty-one (21) years of age from consuming or purchasing alcohol beverages.
 - j. Active Colorado liquor license numbers not under suspension for the applicant and

each participating licensee;

- k. Identification of any violations at a festival committed by the applicant or any participating licensee during the preceding three years; and
- I. Such other information as required on form approved by the state licensing authority.
- 2. The applicant must apply with the state licensing authority and, if applicable, the local licensing authority, at least thirty (30) calendar days before holding the initial festival under the festival permit. If the applicant does not provide the application to one or both of the applicable licensing authorities at least thirty (30) calendar days before holding the initial festival, the application will be denied by the state licensing authority.
- 3. A festival permit must be approved by the state licensing authority before the first festival can be held.
- 4. Once a permittee files an initial festival permit application, it may only add participating licensees for the initial festival set forth in subpart (B)(1)(j) of this regulation by providing written notice to the state and local licensing authority, at least fifteen (15) calendar days prior to the first festival, as calculated pursuant to section 2-4-108, C.R.S.

C. <u>Local festival permit from the Local Licensing Authority.</u>

- 1. If required by the local licensing authority, the festival permit applicant must also obtain a local festival permit. The licensee must file the festival permit application with the Division at the same time they file with any local licensing authority.
- 2. If the licensee filing the festival permit application holds a limited winery license, or a winery license, then a festival permit from the local licensing authority is not required.
- 3. A festival permit from a local licensing authority is not required if the festival permit applicant also applies for a special event liquor permit issued under article 5 of title 44.

D. Subsequent Festival Permit Application(s).

1. Festival Participation Limits

- a. Each permittee may hold up to but no more than a total of nine (9) festivals in a twelve (12) month period. This Paragraph 1(a) will expire on December 31, 2023.
- b. A licensee may participate in up to fifty-two festivals each calendar year, including up to nine festivals held under a festival permit issued to the licensee under subsection 44-3-404(1)(c), C.R.S.
- c. Each permittee may hold up to but no more than a total of nine (9) festivals in a calendar year. This Paragraph 1(c) will take effect on January 1, 2024.
- 2. The permittee must notify the state licensing authority, and the local licensing authority if

required under Section C above, at least thirty (30) calendar days before holding any subsequent festivals under the festival permit, by filing a subsequent festival permit application. If the applicant does not provide the application to the applicable licensing authorities at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the subsequent festival, the application will be denied by the state licensing authority. Each subsequent festival permit application must include:

- a. The festival permit number;
- b. The festival permit expiration date;
- c. The festival permittee license name;
- A description of the licensed premises where the festival will be held, including whether the licensed premises for the festival is located on an existing licensed premises that has been modified;
- e. The date of the festival;
- f. Duration of the festival, which cannot exceed seventy-two (72) hours;
- g. The dates of all prior festivals occurring under the festival permit;
- h. The number of prior festivals that have previously occurred under the festival permit;
- i. A processing fee of fifty dollars (\$50 USD);
- j. Contact information of a primary contact for each participating licensee including name, title, phone number and email address;
- k. Any special event permit application that has been or will be filed in connection with the festival;
- Confirmation that the applicant has provided notification to the local licensing authority of the location and dates of each festival;
- m. A security and control plan, which must be provided to and agreed to by each participating licensee, which specifies:
 - i. Hours of service of alcohol beverages;
 - ii. Entries and exits;
 - iii. How and where alcohol will be secured and stored when setting up for the festival, during the festival, and after conclusion of the festival;
 - iv. How visibly intoxicated parties will be handled; and
 - v. How the licensee plans to prevent persons under twenty-one (21) years

of age from consuming or purchasing alcohol beverages.

- n. Active Colorado liquor license numbers not under suspension for the applicant and each participating licensee;
- o. Identification of any violations at a festival committed by the applicant or any participating licensee during the preceding three years; and
- p. Such other information as required on form approved by the state licensing authority.
- If the subsequent festival permit application is being filed in a different jurisdiction than
 the initial festival permit application, the permittee must ensure that an original festival
 permit application is filed with the subsequent festival jurisdiction's local licensing
 authority, if applicable.
- 4. A subsequent festival permit application is deemed approved if held in the same jurisdiction as the initial festival unless the state and, if applicable, the local licensing authority provides the permittee with a notice of denial at least seventy-two hours prior to the date of the subsequent festival.
- 5. The permittee must file the subsequent festival permit application, but other eligible licensees may jointly participate under the festival permit issued to the permittee, unless timely denied by the state or local licensing authority.
- 6. Once a permittee files a subsequent festival permit application, it may only add participating licensees for that subsequent festival set forth in subpart (D)(2)(n) of this regulation by providing written notice to the state and local licensing authority, at least fifteen (15) calendar days prior to that subsequent festival, as calculated pursuant to section 2-4-108, C.R.S.

E. <u>Festival Tastings and Sales.</u>

- 1. For purposes of this regulation 47-405, "festival tastings" is defined as consumption on the premises of a festival permit.
- The permittee and licensees participating in the festival may conduct festival tastings and sales of their respective alcohol beverages during the festival which the permittee or licensee could conduct at their respective licensed premises.
 - a. Manufacturers of vinous and spirituous liquors may conduct festival tastings and sales of their products at a festival pursuant to the abilities granted to them under 44-3-402(2)(a) and/or 44-3-402(7)(a), C.R.S.
 - b. Manufacturers of malt liquors may conduct festival tastings and sales of their products at a festival as long as they possess a valid sales room license pursuant to 44-3-407(1)(b)(II)(A), C.R.S.
- 3. Regulation 47-313 on tastings applies to Retail Liquor Store, Liquor Licensed Drugstore, and fermented malt beverage and wine retailer licensees and does not apply to festival

tastings.

F. Denials.

- 1. The state licensing authority may deny a festival permit or subsequent festival permit application if:
 - a. A documented history of violations under article 3 of title 44 of these regulations by the permittee or any participating licensee;
 - b. The permittee or any participating licensee is ineligible for a festival permit;
 - c. An application is incomplete or late; or
 - d. There is a finding that the application, if granted, would result in violations of article 3 of title 44, these regulations, or ordinances or regulations of a local licensing authority.

G. Violations.

1. Violating Licensee Identified

- a. If a violation occurs during a festival permitted under this regulation and the permittee or the jointly participating licensee(s) responsible for the violation can be identified, the state and local licensing authorities may impose appropriate penalties pursuant to section 44-3-601, C.R.S., Regulation 47-602, and Regulation 47-603 on the identified permittee or the jointly participating licensee(s) per violation.
- b. Pursuant to section 44-3-601(9), C.R.S., when a permittee or participating licensee violates provisions of the Liquor Code that prohibit the service of an alcohol beverage to a minor or a visibly intoxicated person, the state and local licensing authorities shall consider it a mitigating factor if the permittee or the jointly participating licensee(s) responsible for a violation is a responsible alcohol beverage vendor as defined in section 44-3-1002, C.R.S., and pursuant to the requirements of Regulation 47-605.

2. Violating Licensee Cannot be Identified

- a. If a violation occurs during a festival permitted under this regulation and the permittee or the jointly participating licensee(s) responsible for the violation cannot be identified, the state licensing authority may send a written notice to every licensee identified on the festival permit application or subsequent permit application, respectively, and may fine each the same dollar amount, which cannot exceed twenty-five (25) dollars per licensee or two hundred dollars in the aggregate per violation.
- A joint fine levied pursuant to this subsection does not apply to the revocation or suspension of the licensee's license under section 44-3-601, C.R.S., or Regulation 47-603.

- c. A joint fine levied pursuant to this section need not be reported as a substantive violation on the underlying liquor license renewal application for any permittee or jointly participating licensee assessed such a fine.
- If a violation occurs during a special event festival as defined in Regulation 47-1014(B), a single penalty shall be imposed for a violation under this regulation and Regulation 47-1014(B) to avoid a double penalty for the same conduct.

Regulation 47-410. Retail Warehouse Storage Permit.

<u>Basis and Purpose.</u> The statutory authority for this regulation includes, but it not limited to, subsections 44-3-202(1)(b), 44-3-202(2)(a)(I)(A), 44-3-202(2)(a)(I)(K), and 44-3-202(2)(a)(I)(R), C.R.S. The purpose of this regulation is to establish parameters and clarify circumstances under which licensed retailers may keep or store alcohol beverages in permitted warehouses, except that a <u>and limitations on the same if the retail licensee is a</u> liquor licensed drugstore licensed under section 44-3-410, C.R.S., is not eligible for a retail warehouse storage permit.

- A. No alcohol beverages shall be stored or kept in or upon any premises that is not duly licensed, however, the state licensing authority may issue a warehouse storage permit to retail licensees licensed pursuant to article 3 of title 44, C.R.S. for the storage only of permitted alcohol beverages in one, but not more than three (3), locations other than the licensed premises. The application for such permit shall specify the address of the proposed storage location and shall include documentation that the licensee is in possession of said premises by way of ownership, lease, or other arrangement.
 - 1. For off-premises licensed retailers, except as set forth in subpart (4), alcohol beverages permitted for storage within a storage warehouse shall include vinous and spirituous liquors only.
 - 2. For on-premises licensed retailers, alcohol beverages permitted for storage within a storage warehouse shall include fermented malt beverages and malt, vinous and spirituous liquors. However, fermented malt beverages or malt liquor stored in a permitted warehouse shall only be stored for a period not to exceed ten days after date of delivery, so as not to interfere with manufacturers' freshness standards.
 - 3. Notwithstanding any provision of this regulation, a liquor-licensed drugstore shall not store alcohol beverages off the licensed premises, and is not eligible for a retail warehouse storage permit pursuant to section 44-3-410(5)(a), C.R.S.
 - 4. For a Fermented Malt Beverage and Wine Retailer licensed for consumption off the licensed premises pursuant to subsection 44-4-104(1)(c)(I)(A), C.R.S., vinous liquors only may be permitted for storage within a storage warehouse.
- B. Title to all alcohol beverages, stored or kept pursuant to a warehouse storage permit shall be vested in such permit holder.
- C. Alcohol beverages may not be sold or delivered to consumers from the permitted warehouse premises, however, deliveries from wholesalers may be accepted at the permitted warehouse premises.

D. Any retail licensee obtaining a warehouse storage permit, shall provide a copy of said permit to the local licensing authority and shall display such permit in a prominent place within their licensed premises and within the permitted warehouse premises.

Regulation 47-436. Retail Establishment Permit, Including but not Limited to Art Galleries.

The Division is continuing to make additional revisions to Regulation 476-436 and will release the revised proposed rule as soon as revisions are complete.

Regulation 47-504. Payment of Excise Taxes by Non-licensees.

<u>Basis and Purpose</u>. The statutory authority for this regulation includes, but is not limited to, subsections 44-3-106(4), 44-3-202(1)(b) and 44-3-503(2), C.R.S. The purpose of this regulation is to establish standards and procedures for excise taxes, surcharges, and fees payment and collection required of certain non-licensees.

- A. Persons twenty-one years of age or older, not licensed pursuant to this article, arriving at any airport in this state on an air flight originating in a foreign country who is thereby subject to customs clearance at the airport, may lawfully possess up to one gallon or four liters (one imperial gallon), whichever measure is applicable, the following amounts of an alcohol beverage without liability for the Colorado excise tax thereon:-
 - 1. 2.25 gallons or 288 ounces of malt liquor;
 - 2. 2.25 gallons or 288 ounces of hard cider;
 - 3. 9 liters of vinous liquor; and
 - 4. 6 liters of spirituous liquor.
- B. Excise taxes on alcohol beverages in excess of the amounts listed in section (A) of this regulation aforesaid four (4) liters (or one imperial gallon) shall be paid to the Colorado Department of Revenue in the amounts set forth in section 44-3-503, C.R.S. Persons in possession of such alcohol beverages at the time of their arrival in Colorado shall be liable for the payment of excise taxes and fees thereon, and such payment shall be made within thirty (30) days of the date such alcohol beverages arrive in Colorado.
- CB. Notwithstanding the above, persons receiving vinous liquors in this state pursuant to the provisions of section 44-3-104 C.R.S., are exempt from payment of excise taxes, surcharges, and fees on such vinous liquors.

Regulation 47-922. Gambling.

<u>Basis and Purpose</u>. The statutory authority for this regulation includes, but is not limited to, subsections 18-10-102(2), 18-10-102(3), 18-10.5-102(2), 18-10.5-102(3.5), 18-10.5-102(6), 44-3-202(1)(b), 44-3-202(2)(a)(I)(M), and 44-3-901(6)(n), and 44-30-103(30)(a), C.R.S. The purpose of this regulation is to clarify and define prohibited and permitted activities, games, and equipment on the licensed premises concerning gambling.

- A. Activities prohibited.
 - 1. No person licensed under Article 3, Article 4 and or Article 5 of Title 44 to sell at retail shall authorize or permit on the licensed premises any gambling, or use of any gambling

machine or device, or the use of any machine which may be used for gambling, or the use of any simulated gambling device, except as specifically authorized for a racetrack, pursuant to Article 32 of Title 44, C.R.S., or for limited gaming, pursuant to Article 30 of Title 44, C.R.S.

No person licensed under these Articles 3, Article 4 and or Article 5 of Title 44 shall authorize or permit on the licensed premises the holding of any lottery, except as authorized by Article 40 of Title 44, C.R.S., 1973 and any rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. Nothing in this regulation shall be deemed to prohibit the conducting of games of chance authorized by the bingo and raffles law (Part 6 of Article 219 of Title 2412, C.R.S. 1973).

B. Equipment prohibited.

No person licensed under Article 3, Article 4 or and Article 5 of Title 44 to sell at retail shall authorize, permit or possess on the licensed premises any table, machine, apparatus or device of a kind normally used for the purpose of gambling, or a simulated gambling device, except as specifically authorized and when licensed for limited gaming, pursuant to Article 30 of Title 44 C.R.S. Prohibited equipment shall include video poker machines and other devices, defined either as slot machines pursuant to section G.R.S. 44-30-103(30)(a), C.R.S., and/or gambling devices pursuant to C.R.S. 18-10-102, and simulated gambling devices.

C. Equipment permitted.

- 1. Nothing in this regulation shall be deemed to prohibit the use of bona fide amusement devices, such as pinball machines or pool tables, provided however that such devices do not and cannot be adjusted to pay anything of value, and that such devices are not used for gambling, as defined in C.R.S. 18-10-102, as the same may be amended from time to time.
- A licensee is permitted to conduct, on its licensed premises, tournaments or competitions involving games of skill as permitted by subsection C.R.S.
 18-10-102(2)(a), C.R.S., including the awarding of prizes or other things of value to participants, in connection with the use or operation of devices such as and including, but not limited to:
 - a. Pool tables
 - b. Billiard tables
 - c. Pinball machines
 - d. Foosball machines
 - e. Basketball games
 - f. Air hockey games
 - g. Shuffleboard games
 - h. Dart games
 - i. Bowling games

- j. Golf Games
- 3. Licensees will not be considered in violation of this regulation if they permit, on their licensed premises, card or similar games of chance to be played between natural persons whereas no person is engaging in gambling—as defined by C.R.S. 18-10-102(2).
- D. Inspections and records.
 - Licensees shall keep a complete set of records, including operating manuals, concerning any game machine or device maintained on their licensed premises.
 Licensees that who do not own their machines or devices shall be required to maintain
 - a copy of their current contract with the vendor. This contract at a minimum shall detail the division of profits between the parties and how monies will be accounted for, including the payment of any monies, credits, or any other thing of value to customers of the licensee. Copies of any outstanding notes or loans between the parties must also be maintained by the licensee.
 - 2. Licensees shall make available without delay to agents of the state or local licensing authority access to the interiors of any machine or device or simulated gambling device, maintained upon the licensed premises to assist in the determination of whether or not said machine or device is permitted or prohibited equipment.

E. Definitions

- 1. For purposes of this rule, "gambling device" means any device, machine, paraphernalia, or equipment that is used or usable in the playing phases of any professional gambling activity, whether that activity consists of gambling between persons or gambling by a person involving the playing of a machine; except that the term does not include a crane game, as defined in section 44-30-103(9), C.R.S.
- 2. For purposes of this rule, "simulated gambling device" means a mechanically or electronically operated machine, network, system, program, or device that is used by an entrant and that displays simulated gambling displays on a screen or other mechanism at a business location, including a private club, that is owned, leased, or otherwise possessed, in whole or in part, by a person conducting the game or by that person's partners, affiliates, subsidiaries, agents, or contractors; except that the term does not include bona fide amusement devices, as authorized in section 44-3-103(47), that pay nothing of value, cannot be adjusted to pay anything of value, and are not used for gambling.
 - a. "Simulated gambling device" includes:
 - i. A video poker game or any other kind of video card game;
 - ii. A video bingo game;
 - iii. A video craps game;
 - iv. A video keno game;
 - v. A video lotto game;

- vi. A video roulette game;
- vii. A pot-of-gold;
- viii. An eight-liner;
- ix. A video game based on or involving the random or chance matching of different pictures, words, numbers, or symbols;
- x. An electronic gaming machine, including a personal computer of any size or configuration that performs any of the functions of an electronic gaming machine;
- xi. A slot machine, where results are determined by reason of the skill of the player or the application of the element of chance, or both, as provided by section 9(4)(c) of article XVIII of the Colorado constitution; and
- xii. A device that functions as, or simulates the play of, a slot machine, where results are determined by reason of the skill of the player or the application of the element of chance, or both, as provided by section 9(4)(c) of article XVIII of the Colorado constitution.
- b. "Simulated gambling device" does not include any pari-mutuel totalisator equipment that is used for pari-mutuel wagering on live or simulcast racing events and that has been approved by the director of the division of racing events for entities authorized and licensed under article 32 of title 44.
- 3. For purposes of this rule, "gambling" means risking any money, credit, deposit, or other thing of value for gain contingent in whole or in part upon lot, chance, the operation of a gambling device, or the happening or outcome of an event, including a sporting event, over which the person taking a risk has no control, but does not include:
 - a. Bona fide contests of skill, speed, strength, or endurance in which awards are made only to entrants or the owners of entries;
 - b. Bona fide business transactions which are valid under the law of contracts;
 - c. Other acts or transactions now or hereafter expressly authorized by law;
 - d. Any game, wager, or transaction that is incidental to a bona fide social relationship, is participated in by natural persons only, and in which no person is participating, directly or indirectly, in professional gambling;
 - e. Any use of or transaction involving a crane game, as defined in section 44-30-103(9); or
 - f. Sports betting conducted in accordance with part 15 of article 30 of title 44 and applicable rules of the limited gaming control commission.

Regulation 47-924. Importation and Sole Source of Supply/Brand Registration.

<u>Basis and Purpose</u>. The statutory authority for this regulation includes, but is not limited to, subsections 44-3-202(1)(b) and 44-3-202(2)(a)(I)(D), C.R.S. The purpose of this regulation is to establish procedures and forms required for a party to import alcohol beverages into the state of Colorado and to require where applicable compliance with requirements in the Federal Alcohol Administration Act.

- A. Before any person, firm, company, partnership, or corporation ships any alcohol beverages into the State of Colorado, each such entity shall be properly licensed by the state licensing authority. The only exceptions to licensing for importation may be found under 44-3-104 and 44-3-106, C.R.S.
- B. Prior to the sale or shipment of any alcohol beverages into the State of Colorado, each licensed manufacturer, non-resident manufacturer or importer shall submit to the state licensing authority a complete and approved report, on forms prepared and furnished by the state licensing authority, which shall detail: the licensee's name and license number; the designated Colorado licensed wholesaler(s); the name of the United States primary source of supply; the products to be imported, including the brand name, class or type, and fanciful name; and evidence of compliance with federal labeling requirements found in the "Federal Alcohol Administration Act" 27 CFR Subchapter A-Liquors Part 4, Subpart D; Part 5, subpart D; and Part 7, Subpart C. The import licensee, if not the product manufacturer, shall also include with said form a separate letter from the primary source of supply designating such import licensee as the primary source in the United States or the sole source of supply in Colorado. A separate form is required for each primary source. Each non-resident manufacturer, manufacturer and importer shall also remit with said form the appropriate brand registration and/or sole source fee(s). A separate sole source fee is required for each primary source that an importer represents.
- C. Should the primary source of supply change its designated licensed importer, the newly designated licensed importer is required to submit the same information described in paragraph B of this regulation on required forms thirty (30) days prior to shipment of any alcohol beverages. The newly designated importer shall also remit the appropriate sole source and brand registration fees with said form.

The material incorporated by reference shall be those effective as of January 1, 2019. Material incorporated by reference in this rule does not include later amendments to or editions of the incorporated material. Copies of the material incorporated by reference may be obtained by contacting the Director of the Colorado Liquor Enforcement Division of the Department of Revenue at; dor_led@state.co.us, or, at the division's office located at 1707 Cole Boulevard, Suite 300, Lakewood, Colorado, 80401, and copies of the material may be examined at any state publication depository library.

Regulation 47-950. Display of Alcohol Beverages Immediately Adjacent to Soft Drinks, Fruit Juices, Bottled Water, Candy, or Toys.

<u>Basis and Purpose</u>. The statutory authority for this regulation includes but is not limited to subsections 44-3-202(1)(b), 44-3-202(2)(a)(I)(A), and 44-3-202(2)(a)(I)(R), C.R.S. The purpose of this regulation is to prevent consumer confusion regarding whether a beverage contains alcohol and to help prevent sales of alcohol beverages to persons under 21 years of age.

A. Definition.

- 1. As used in this regulation, "immediately adjacent" means directly touching or immediately bordering one another from above, below, or the side, for example, on a shelf directly above or below another shelf; or on a shelf, cooler shelf, or display (including permanent or temporary displays) that is adjacent to another shelf, cooler shelf, or display. "Immediately adjacent" does not include a separate aisle or shelving units or cooler shelving units on the opposite side of an aisle.
- B. Alcohol Beverages Immediately Adjacent to Soft Drinks, Fruit Juices, Bottled Water, Candy, or <u>Toys</u>. Any retail liquor store, liquor licensed drug store, fermented malt beverage and wine retailer, or fermented malt beverage on/off premises licensee that locates, places, or displays (including permanent or temporary displays) alcohol beverages immediately adjacent to soft drinks, fruit juices, bottled water, candy, or toys, shall:

- 1. Place signage that is clearly visible to consumers on any such shelves, cooler shelves, or displays (including permanent or temporary displays) that contains alcohol beverages and is immediately adjacent to soft drinks, fruit juices, bottled water, candy, or toys. This signage must:
 - a. Be at least 8.5 x 5.5 inches or 4.2 x 11 inches, depending on the orientation of the sign;
 - b. Use a font size of at least 40 points in black ink; and
 - c. State "THESE PRODUCTS ARE ALCOHOL BEVERAGES AVAILABLE FOR SALE ONLY TO PERSONS WHO ARE 21 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER."
- 2. Signage may contain only retailer store branding or logos, but may not contain branding or logos of any alcohol beverage brand, manufacturer, or wholesaler.