



# LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD FOR HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND

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## REFILLABLE CONTAINER (GROWLER) PERMIT APPLICATION

Corporate/L.L.C. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Trade Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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### To the Commissioners of the Liquor Control Board for Harford County, Maryland:

Application is made by the undersigned licensee(s) under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages (AB) Article, § 4-1104, § 4-1105, § 22-1102 and § 22-1103 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, for authority to permit the sale of draft beer and wine in refillable containers for consumption off the described licensed premises only.

**We/I understand the regulations outlined in the attached information sheet and all other applicable Rules and Regulations of the Harford County Liquor Control Board.**

_____	_____	_____
(Print License Holder's Name)	(Signature of License Holder)	(Date)
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(Print License Holder's Name)	(Signature of License Holder)	(Date)
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(Print License Holder's Name)	(Signature of License Holder)	(Date)
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(Print License Holder's Name)	(Signature of License Holder)	(Date)

- *The Refillable Container authority is available to all class A-1 and A-2 license holders, those class B license holders whose license includes an off-sale beer and wine privilege, and to class D license holders.*
- *Beer and Wine may be sold in refillable containers from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.*
- *The fee is \$50 annually and this authority shall run from May 1<sup>st</sup> through April 30th.*

**For Office Use Only:**

Received By HCLCB: Date: \_\_\_\_\_  Approved By HCLCB: Hearing Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Staff Initials: \_\_\_\_\_



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### REFILLABLE CONTAINER (GROWLER) PERMIT REQUIREMENTS BUSINESS

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- The Growler permit is available to all Class A-1 and Class D License Holders, and to Class B License Holders who currently have a beer and wine or a beer, wine, and liquor off-sale privilege.
- Permitted licensees may sell wine in growlers in addition to beer.
- Beer and Wine may be dispensed in growlers from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 a.m.

#### **BEER GROWLER REQUIREMENTS**

*(Per AB §4-1104 & §22-1102)*

- To be used as a refillable container for beer under the authority of a refillable container permit, a container shall:
  - (1) Have a capacity of not less than 32 ounces and not more than 128 ounces;
  - (2) Be sealable;
  - (3) Be branded with an identifying mark of the seller of the container;
  - (4) Bear the federal health warning statement required for containers of alcoholic beverages under 27 C.F.R. §16.21;

#### **27 C.F.R. §16.21: Mandatory Label Information**

There shall be stated on the band label or separate front label, or on a back or side label, separate and apart from all other information, the following statement:

*GOVERNMENT WARNING: (1) According to the Surgeon General, women should not drink alcoholic beverages during pregnancy because of the risk of birth defects. (2) Consumption of alcoholic beverages impairs your ability to drive a car or operate machinery, and may cause health problems.*

- (5) Display instructions for cleaning the container; and
  - (6) Bear a label stating that:
    - (i) Cleaning the container is the responsibility of the consumer; and
    - (ii) The contents of the container are perishable and should be refrigerated immediately and consumed within 48 hours after purchase.
- A retailer may refill a growler from any other retailer (even from outside the State of MD) as long as the container meets the above requirements and displays the required warning label and cleaning information.

## **WINE GROWLER REQUIREMENTS**

*(Per AB §4-1105 & §22-1103)*

- The requirements for the wine growler are the same, EXCEPT for the size of the container. Wine may only be sold in refillable containers with a capacity of not less than 17 ounces and not more than 34 ounces.

### **Definitions**

- **Beer:** Includes beer, ale porter, stout, hard cider, and alcoholic beverages that contain:
  - (1) 6% or less alcohol by volume, derived primarily from the fermentation of grain, with not more than 49% of the beverage's overall alcohol content by volume obtained from flavors and other added non-beverage ingredients containing alcohol; or
  - (2) More than 6% alcohol by volume, derived primarily from the fermentation of grain; with not more than 1.5% of the beverage's overall alcohol content by volume obtained from flavors and other added non-beverage ingredients containing alcohol.
- **Hard Cider:** A beverage derived primarily from apples, apple concentrate and water; pears or pear concentrate and water; containing no other fruit product, and containing at least one-half of 1% and less than 7% of alcohol by volume.
- **Wine:** Any fermented beverage, including light wines, and wines the alcoholic content has been fortified by the addition of alcohol, spirits, or other ingredients.