



Alcohol Curbside Pickup & Delivery During COVID-19: What Retailers and Restaurants Need to Know

This is Temporary

Curbside pickup and delivery of alcohol are a temporary measure during COVID-19 and will expire with Governor Scott's executive order [EO 01-20 - Directive 4](#). The information in this document was last updated 6/9/20. Please check with the Vermont Dept of Liquor Control for the most recent updates and for more details at <https://liquorcontrol.vermont.gov/post-type/covid-19>. Complete Dept of Liquor Control information can be found at <https://liquorcontrol.vermont.gov>.

Photo IDs

It is important to still check a customer's photo ID both at the time of order and *at pickup*. Many customers will be wearing a mask. Look at their eyes and height or have them take a step back to a safe distance and pull the mask off so you can see their entire face. Note: Expired licenses can be used for 90 days past the expiration date.

DLC Online Training

All staff serving, selling, or delivering alcohol are still required to have taken the DLC Liquor Seminars for sellers and servers. These seminars can be taken online at any time at <https://liquorcontrol.vermont.gov/education/seminars>.

Third Party Sales

You should refuse to sell alcohol if you believe the customer is purchasing on behalf of someone under age 21.

Delivery

You may only deliver beverages you are licensed to sell. The delivery driver must be at least 18 years old and be certified to sell or serve by the Liquor Board. Deliveries must be made to a physical building or residence and given to the ID'd customer only. A detailed delivery log must be maintained and must include:

- Customer Name
- Street Address (best practice but only required for stores with retail delivery permits already in place)
- Description of How the ID Was Verified
- Description of Product Purchased
- Quantity of Product Purchased
- Date and Time of Delivery
- Name of Staff Member Making the Delivery

Outside On-Site Consumption

Outside on-site consumption is only permitted with an outside consumption permit (applied for and received through your local liquor board). To obtain a permit the property must be contiguous/adjacent to the outside area where alcohol is being sold and have clearly identified boundaries with specific access points. The outside area must be properly supervised by staff and have good lighting.

“To-Go” Drink Orders

All “to-go” drinks must be ordered with food. The to-go container must be sealed with a lid to discourage immediate consumption. Providing straws at the point of sale is prohibited. Do not leave alcoholic beverages unattended outside for pickup. To-go drinks must be delivered to the purchasing customer in a way that allows for proper ID checks.

Your business can set its own policies for how many alcoholic drinks you sell to-go. Base these on what you would legally serve to an in-person customer. For example, if the party orders two meals then they’re limited to four to-go drinks if that is what you would typically serve if they were eating in.

Intoxicated Customers

Vermont Law prohibits the sale of alcohol to an intoxicated person or a person under the influence.

Farmers Markets

Farmer’s Markets are currently restricted to carry out only for alcohol. On-site tastings are prohibited. Open container laws vary by town, check with your local liquor board.

Partner with Healthy Lamoille Valley – Your Local Substance Prevention Coalition

HLV provides substance use prevention and education throughout the Lamoille Valley. We are your local substance prevention coalition, and we want to partner with you! Our mission is to work collaboratively to reduce youth substance misuse and encourage youth to make substance free healthy choices.

We know that food and drink bring people together and also know how important the health of our communities’ youth is to you. Decades of well-documented research shows that the impact of alcohol on a developing brain is **most damaging** when consumed before the age of 15, and the research shows that any alcohol before the age of 21 increases the risk of developing substance dependence. Youth that consume alcohol before the age of 15 are 40% more likely to develop substance use dependence later in life. In 2019 13% of Vermont youth reported using alcohol before the age of 13, we know from 2017 data that Lamoille area youth use before 13 is 20%*. This concerning trend is supported by a culture of peer acceptance, easy availability, and lax community norms.

This is why we decided that we “moustache” (must ask) you for your help! In addition to reviewing the information in this document, we welcome you to use our TO GO stickers for any alcohol sold (see examples below) (and let us know if you run out and would like more), display this signage for your staff, or if you’d like, we’d love to connect with you to discuss future partnership opportunities to build healthy communities that help our youth and families thrive here in the Lamoille Valley! To find out more on how you can partner to keep youth substance free, please contact Jessica Bickford, 802-730-6599 or jessica@healthylamoillevalley.org

*Vermont Youth Risk Behavior Survey

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