

LRE Bulletin 003



Refillable Beer Container “Beer Growler” Requirements Effective 7-1-13

General Provisions

1. The Board of License Commissioners may issue a refillable beer container permit authorizing the holder to sell draft beer for consumption off the licensed premise, in a refillable container known in the industry as a beer “growler.”
2. The growler authority is only available to class ‘B’ beer and wine or class ‘D’ beer and wine licensees.
3. The licensee(s) must apply by completing the application and submitting it to the Board of License Commissioners.
4. Once approved, a revised license will be issued indicating “Beer Growler Authority.”
5. There is no additional charge to the business for this permit.

Refillable Beer Procedures

The container must:

1. Have a capacity of not less than 32 ounces and not more than 128 ounces.
2. Be sealable.
3. Be branded with the mark of the license holder.
4. Bear the federal health warning statement.
5. Display instructions for the consumer to clean the container.
6. Bear a label stating that cleaning the container is the responsibility of the consumer and the contents of the container are perishable and should be refrigerated immediately and consumed within 48 hours after purchase.
7. The term of the permit and the hours of sale for beer growlers are the same term and hours of the respective alcoholic beverage license.
8. A holder of a license with growler authority may refill only a container that was branded by the license holder.

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