243.020 License required -- Federal license presumptions -- Operator of unlicensed place not to permit drinking -- Licenses permitted in moist territory.

- (1) A person shall not do any act authorized by any kind of license with respect to the manufacture, storage, sale, purchase, transporting, or other traffic in alcoholic beverages unless the person holds or is an independent contractor, agent, servant, or employee of a person who holds the kind of license that authorizes the act.
- (2) The holding of any permit from the United States government to traffic in alcoholic beverages without the corresponding requisite state and local licenses shall in all cases raise a rebuttable presumption that the holder of the United States permit is unlawfully trafficking in alcoholic beverages.
- (3) Except as permitted by KRS 243.033, 243.036, 243.155, 243.157, and 243.260, a person, conducting a place of business patronized by the public, who is not a licensee authorized to sell alcoholic beverages, shall not permit any person to sell, barter, loan, give away, or drink alcoholic beverages on the premises of the place of business.
- (4) A licensee shall not permit any consumer to possess, give away, or drink alcoholic beverages on the licensed premises that are not purchased from the licensee.
- (5) Any distilled spirits or wine in excess of three (3) gallons (twelve (12) liters) shall not be stored or kept except upon the licensed premises of a licensee.
- (6) In a moist territory, the only types of licenses that may be issued are those that directly correspond with the types of sales approved by the voters through moist elections within the territory, unless otherwise specifically authorized by statute.

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