



OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES
STATE HOUSE ANNEX
25 CAPITOL STREET, ROOM 234
CONCORD, NH 03301

Rulemaking Notice Form

Notice Number: 2026-144

Rule Number: Liq 700

1. **Agency:** Liquor Commission
Agency Address: 50 Storrs Street Concord NH 03301
2. **RSA Authority:** RSA 176:14
3. **Federal Authority:**
4. **Action(s):** Adoption, Repeal, Readopt w/Amendment
5. **Short Title:** Licensing for Liquor Licensees
6. **(a) Summary of what the rule says and of any proposed amendments including whether the rule implements a state statute for the first time:**

The proposed rules establish licensing and physical premises requirements for all license types authorized by existing law, including new license types for Restaurant Delivery; Tenant Manufacturing; Salons/ Barbershops; Tobacco Wholesaler; Tobacco Manufacturer; and Social Districts. The proposed rules also reorganize licensing requirements within Chapter Liq 700 to provide clarity on forms associated with specific license types. The repeal of Liq 705.39 removes a separate rule for nano brewery licenses because those licensing requirements have been incorporated elsewhere in the chapter.

This proposal is not implementing a statute for the first time.

6. **(b) Brief description of the groups affected:**

All current and prospective New Hampshire Liquor Licensees.

6. (c) Specific section or sections of state statute or federal statute or regulation which the rule is intended to implement:

RULE	STATUTE
Liq 701	RSA 178; RSA 176:14, VII
Liq 701.01	RSA 178
Liq 701.02 – Liq 701.04	RSA 178:3, I
Liq 701.05 – Liq 701.07	RSA 178:3, II; RSA 178:29
Liq 701.08	RSA 178:3, II
Liq 702	RSA 178:3; RSA 176:14, VII
Liq 702.01 – Liq 702.03	RSA 178:3
Liq 702.04	RSA 178; RSA 176:14, VII
Liq 702.05 – Liq 702.10	RSA 178:2; RSA 178:3
Liq 702.11 – Liq 702.12	RSA 178:2, II-IV
Liq 702.13	RSA 178:2, IV & V and RSA 541-A:30
Liq 703	RSA 178:29
Liq 704	RSA 178:3; RSA 176:14, VII
Liq 704.02(a)	RSA 178:16, II
Liq 704.02(b) and (c)	RSA 178:26
Liq 704.02(d)	RSA 178:16; RSA 348:2
Liq 704.02(e)	RSA 178:16
Liq 705	RSA 178:3
Liq 705.01	RSA 178:3; RSA 641:3
Liq 705.02	RSA 178:6
Liq 705.06	RSA 178:8
Liq 705.08	RSA 178:12
Liq 705.12	RSA 178:17
Liq 705.13	RSA 178:18
Liq 705.14	RSA 178:19
Liq 705.15	RSA 178:21
Liq 705.16	RSA 178:20
Liq 705.17 – Liq 705.20	RSA 178:22
Liq 705.21 (renumbered from Liq 705.25)	RSA 178:22, V(l)-(l-a)
Liq 705.22 – Liq 705.24	RSA 178:22
Liq 705.25	RSA 178:20; RSA 178:21, 178:22
Liq 705.26	RSA 178:22
Liq 705.27 (renumbered from Liq 705.31)	RSA 177:9
Liq 705.28 (renumbered from Liq 705.32)	RSA 178:13
Liq 705.29 (renumbered from Liq 705.33)	RSA 178:22, V(v)
Liq 705.30 (renumbered from Liq 705.34)	RSA 178:27-a
Liq 705.31 (renumbered from Liq 705.35)	RSA 178:30
Liq 705.32 (renumbered from Liq 705.36)	RSA 178:19-d
Liq 705.33 (renumbered from Liq 705.37)	RSA 178:20-a
Liq 705.34 (renumbered from Liq 705.38)	RSA 178:12
Liq 705.39 repeal	
Liq 705.35 (renumbered from Liq 705.40)	RSA 178:19-a; RSA 178:19-f
Liq 705.36 (renumbered from Liq 705.41)	RSA 178:31
Liq 705.37 (renumbered from Liq 705.42)	RSA 178:22, V(u)

Liq 705.38 (renumbered from Liq 705.43)	RSA 178:8
Liq 705.39 – Liq 705.45	RSA 178:6; RSA 178:8; RSA 178:21; RSA 178:22; RSA 178:27-b; RSA 178:33
Liq 706	RSA 178:3
Liq 706.01	RSA 178:6; RSA 178:7
Liq 706.02 – Liq 706.03	RSA 178:11
Liq 706.04 (renumbered from Liq 706.03)	RSA 178:8
Liq 706.05 (renumbered from Liq 706.04)	RSA 178:10
Liq 706.06 (renumbered from Liq 706.05)	RSA 178:12
Liq 706.07 (renumbered from Liq 706.06)	RSA 178:16
Liq 706.08 (renumbered from Liq 706.07)	RSA 178:18
Liq 706.09 (renumbered from Liq 706.08)	RSA 178:19
Liq 706.10 (renumbered from Liq 706.09)	RSA 175:1; RSA 178:20
Liq 706.11 (renumbered from Liq 706.10)	RSA 175:1; RSA 178:21; RSA 179:27
Liq 706.12 (renumbered from Liq 706.11)	RSA 175:1; RSA 178:22
Liq 706.13	RSA 178:19-e
Liq 706.14	RSA 178:19-f

7. Contact person for copies and questions including requests to accommodate persons with disabilities:

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8. Deadline for submission of materials in writing or, if practicable for the agency, in the electronic format specified:

Thursday, August 27, 2026

☐ Fax
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☐ Other

9. Public hearing scheduled for:

Date: Thursday, August 20, 2026

Time: 11:00 AM

Place: NHLC Headquarters

50 Storrs Street

Concord NH 03301

Electronic Access, if applicable: N/A

10. Fiscal Impact Statement (Prepared by Legislative Budget Assistant):

FIS #: 26:129, dated: Friday, July 17, 2026

1. Comparison of the costs of the proposed rule(s) to the existing rule(s):

There is no difference in costs when comparing the proposed rules to the existing rules. Not applicable to various new rules and not applicable to Liq 705.39, which is being repealed.

2. Cite the Federal mandate. Identify the impact on state funds:

No federal mandate, no impact on state funds.

3. Cost and benefits of the proposed rule(s):

The proposed rules establish licensing and physical requirements for license types authorized by existing law and reorganize licensing requirements within Chapter Liq 700. The repeal of Liq 705.39 removes a separate rule for nano brewery licenses because those licensing requirements have been incorporated elsewhere in the chapter. The new and repealed rules do not establish new fees or otherwise result in a cost or benefit when compared to the existing rules.

A. To State general or State special funds:

None.

B. To State citizens and political subdivisions:

None.

C. To independently owned businesses:

None.

11. Statement Relative to Part I, Article 28-a of the N.H. Constitution:

The proposed rules do not violate Part I, Article 28-a of the N.H. Constitution. The proposed rules do not create a new program, or responsibility but seek to expand or modify an existing program or responsibility. However, the rules do not mandate or assign responsibility to any political subdivision that would increase the cost the political subdivision must pay.