

7.5-106.

(a) Wine that is delivered to a personal consumer shall be:

(1) Shipped freight prepaid to a wholesaler licensed in this State who is designated by the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax [Division] BUREAU of the Office of the Comptroller; and

(2) Delivered by the wholesaler to a retail dealer.

(b) The Alcohol and Tobacco Tax [Division] BUREAU of the Office of the Comptroller shall record the receipt and disposition of all wine sold by direct wine sellers.

16-404.

(b) The Comptroller is authorized to delegate the Comptroller's authority under this article to the director of the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax [Division] BUREAU of the Comptroller's office to issue or refuse to issue licenses and permits.

(c) The Comptroller is authorized to delegate the Comptroller's authority to conduct hearings of violations of this article or of any regulations issued thereunder to the director of the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax [Division] BUREAU of the Comptroller's office or any other employee of the Comptroller's office; provided, however, the director of the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax [Division] BUREAU of the Comptroller's office or any other employee of the Comptroller's office delegated by the Comptroller shall not have the authority to invoke penalties provided for under this article, but shall report the employee's findings and recommendations to the Comptroller, for the taking of such action as the latter deems appropriate.

16-407.

(a) There is a Field Enforcement [Division] BUREAU under the Comptroller, with such officers and employees as may be provided for in the budget from time to time.

(b) The officers and employees of the Field Enforcement [Division] BUREAU shall be sworn police officers and shall have all the powers, duties and responsibilities of peace officers for the enforcement of the provisions of this article having to do generally with (1) the illegal importation of alcoholic beverages into this State; (2) the illegal manufacture of alcoholic beverages in this State; (3) the transportation and/or distribution throughout this State of alcoholic beverages which were manufactured illegally and/or on which any alcoholic beverages taxes imposed by this State are due and illegally unpaid; and (4) the manufacture, sale, barter, transportation, distribution or other form of owning, handling or dispersing alcoholic beverages by any person, persons, associations or corporation not licensed or authorized therefor under the provisions of this article. They are authorized and empowered, from time to time to make cooperative arrangements for and to work and cooperate with the various State's Attorneys, sheriffs, constables, bailiffs, police and other prosecuting and peace officers of every sort, in order to enforce the provisions of this article and as provided in this section.