

**Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages**

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(A) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION APPLY ONLY IN SOMERSET COUNTY.

(B) THE LIQUOR LICENSING BOARD MAY ISSUE A SPECIAL MARYLAND WINE FESTIVAL (MWF) LICENSE.

(C) AN APPLICANT FOR A SPECIAL MWF LICENSE SHALL BE A HOLDER OF A SPECIAL TEMPORARY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSE, STATE CLASS 3 WINERY LICENSE, OR STATE CLASS 4 WINERY LICENSE.

(D) A SPECIAL MWF LICENSEE SHALL ONLY DISPLAY AND SELL WINE THAT IS PRODUCED AND PROCESSED IN MARYLAND.

(E) A SPECIAL MWF LICENSE ENTITLES THE HOLDER TO DISPLAY AND SELL AT RETAIL WINE FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR OFF THE LICENSED PREMISES ON THE DAYS AND FOR THE HOURS DESIGNATED FOR THE MARYLAND WINE FESTIVAL.

(F) THE LICENSE FEE IS \$15.

(G) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION DO NOT PROHIBIT THE LICENSEE FROM HOLDING ANOTHER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSE OF A DIFFERENT CLASS OR NATURE.

(H) THE LIQUOR LICENSING BOARD:

(1) MAY SELECT ONE WEEKEND ANNUALLY DURING THE MONTH OF MAY OR JUNE FOR THE MARYLAND WINE FESTIVAL; AND

(2) SHALL CHOOSE A LOCATION FOR THIS FESTIVAL.

(I) THE LIQUOR LICENSING BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS FOR IMPLEMENTING THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, has been passed by a ye and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

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