

(ii) May employ one additional part-time or full-time alcoholic beverages inspector whose compensation shall be set by the County Commissioners.

[(3)](4) (i) Each inspector is entitled to reimbursement for travel expenses at a rate determined by the Board of License Commissioners.

(ii) The compensation and travel expenses of each inspector shall be paid by the County Commissioners.

[(4)](5) [In Kent County, the] AN alcoholic beverages inspector has the following powers and duties:

(i) To investigate all applicants for an alcoholic beverages license or transfer of license;

(ii) To enforce all alcoholic beverages laws of Kent County with the same powers as a law enforcement officer of the State;

(iii) To inspect, at unannounced times, every licensed premises [in Kent County] at least once every 90 days;

(iv) To investigate all violations of the alcoholic beverages laws [in Kent County];

(v) To report all violations of the alcoholic beverages laws [in Kent County] to the Board [of License Commissioners]; and

(vi) To give monthly written reports to the Board [of License Commissioners] covering all:

1. Inspection activities;
2. Complaints; and
3. Violations, either observed or reported.

[(5)](6) Before a person qualifies as an alcoholic beverages inspector, the person shall make an oath to faithfully perform the duties entrusted, as provided in Article I, § 9 of the Constitution of Maryland.

[(6)](7) A person may not qualify nor continue service as an alcoholic beverages inspector if the inspector or the inspector's immediate family has any personal or financial interest, either directly or indirectly, in any license, licensee, or in any premises licensed under the provisions of this article.

[(7)](8) (i) After appointment, an alcoholic beverages inspector shall serve as such and shall be discharged only for cause involving dishonesty, incompetence, or immoral conduct while in the performance of duty.

(ii) Before the discharge of an alcoholic beverages inspector, the Board [of License Commissioners] shall give the inspector written notice of all pending charges and shall afford the inspector an opportunity to reply in an open hearing before the Board, either in person or by counsel.