

(ii) Instead of a bond, THE OFFICE OF the Comptroller may require prepayment of a satisfactory sum to cover the anticipated tax.

[(m)] (N) [No] A license or permit holder [shall] MAY NOT accept or deliver alcoholic beverages except as provided in this article and the Tax – General Article.

[(n)] (O) (1) In this subsection the following words have the meanings indicated.

(i) “Charitable organization” means an organization that is a benevolent, educational, philanthropic, humane, patriotic, religious, or eleemosynary organization that solicits or obtains contributions solicited from the public for charitable or benevolent purposes, and that is registered with the Secretary of State as required by law.

(ii) “Charitable organization” includes a chapter, branch, area office, or similar affiliate which has its principal place of business outside the State.

(iii) “Charitable organization” does not include a political party, political committee, political club, an agency of the State government or political subdivision, a fraternal organization, fire fighters, rescue or ambulance squads, or police or other law enforcement organization.

(2) A wine auction permit, provided for under this subsection, may not be issued for use within [the corporate limits of] Montgomery County.

(3) The [State] OFFICE OF THE Comptroller may issue a 1-day wine auction permit to a charitable organization.

(4) The permit authorizes the holder to sell wine at public or private auction to any consumer through the solicitation and acceptance of bids.

(5) The permit may be granted:

(i) For an unlicensed premise;

(ii) A Class B or C licensed premise; or

(iii) In Baltimore City, a Class B-D-7 licensed premise.

(6) The permit fee is \$500.

(7) (i) The permit authorizes the holder to conduct 1 auction of wine during a calendar year.

(ii) Only 1 permit shall be issued to each charity during a calendar year.

(8) (i) A permit holder may receive wine for the auction from:

1. A wholesaler licensed under this article;

2. A Class 3 or Class 4 winery licensed under this article;

3. A retail dealer licensed under this article;