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Article A: Fermented Malt Beverages and Intoxicating Liquor

Sec. 7-2-1 State Statutes Adopted.

The provisions of Chapter 125, Wis. Stats., relating to the sale of intoxicating liquor and fermented malt beverages, except provisions therein relating to penalties to be imposed, are hereby adopted by reference and made a part of this Chapter as if fully set forth herein. Any act required to be performed or prohibited by any statute incorporated herein by reference is required or prohibited by this Chapter. Any future amendment, revisions or modifications of the statutes incorporated herein are intended to be made a part of this Chapter in order to secure uniform statewide regulation of alcohol beverage control.

State Law Reference: Chapter 125, Wis. Stats.

Sec. 7-2-2 Definitions.

As used in this Chapter the terms "Alcoholic Beverages," "Intoxicating Liquors," "Principal Business," "Legal Drinking Age", "Premises," "Sell," "Sold," "Sale," "Restaurant," "Club," "Retailer," "Person," "Fermented Malt Beverages," "Wholesalers," "Retailers," "Operators," and "Non-Intoxicating Beverages" shall have the meaning given them by Chapter 125, Wis. Stats.

Sec. 7-2-3 License Required.

No person, firm or corporation shall vend, sell, deal or traffic in or have in his possession with intent to vend, sell, deal or traffic in or, for the purpose of evading any law or ordinance, give away any intoxicating liquor or fermented malt beverage in any quantity whatever, or cause the same to be done, without having procured a license as provided in this Chapter nor without complying with all the provisions of this Chapter, and all statutes and regulations applicable thereto, except as provided by Sections 125.16, 125.27, 125.28 and 125.51, Wis. Stats.

Sec. 7-2-4 Classes of Licenses.

- (a) **Retail "Class A" Intoxicating Liquor License.** A retail "Class A" intoxicating liquor license, when issued by the Village Clerk-Treasurer under the authority of the Village Board, shall permit its holder to sell, deal and traffic in intoxicating liquors only in original packages or containers and to be consumed off the premises so licensed.
- (b) **Retail "Class B" Intoxicating Liquor License.** A retail "Class B" intoxicating liquor license, when issued by the Village Clerk-Treasurer under authority of the Village Board,

shall permit its holder to sell, deal and traffic in intoxicating liquors to be consumed by the glass only on the premises so licensed and in the original package or container in multiples not to exceed four (4) liters at any one (I) time, to be consumed off the premises, except that wine may be sold in the original package or otherwise in any other quantity to be consumed off the premises.

- (c) **Class "A" Fermented Malt Beverage Retailer's License.** A Class "A" retailer's fermented malt beverage license, when issued by the Village Clerk-Treasurer under the authority of the Village Board, shall entitle the holder thereof to possess, sell or offer for sale fermented malt beverages only for consumption away from the premises where sold and in the original packages, containers or bottles. Such license may be issued after July 1st. The license shall expire on the following June 30th.
- (d) **Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage Retailer's License.**
- (I) **License.** A Class "B" fermented malt beverage retailer's license, when issued by the Village Clerk-Treasurer under the authority of the Village Board, shall entitle the holder thereof to possess, sell or offer for sale, fermented malt beverages, either to be consumed upon the premises where sold or away from such premises. The holder may also sell beverages containing less than one-half (1/2) of a percentum of alcohol by volume, without obtaining a special license to sell such beverages. Such license may be issued after July 1st. The license shall expire on the following June 30th.
- (2) **Application.** Class "B" licenses may be issued to any person qualified under Sec. 125.04(5), Wis. Stats. Such licenses may not be issued to any person acting as agent for or in the employ of another except that this restriction does not apply to a hotel or restaurant which is not a part of or located on the premises of any mercantile establishment, or to a bona fide club, society or lodge that has been in existence for at least six (6) months before the date of application. A Class "B" license for a hotel, restaurant, club, society or lodge may be issued in the name of an officer who shall be personally responsible for compliance with this Chapter. Except as provided in Sec. 125.31, Wis. Stats., Class "B" licenses may not be issued to brewers or fermented malt beverages wholesalers.
- (e) **Temporary Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage License.**
- (1) **License.** As provided in Sec. 125.26(1) and (6), Wis. Stats., temporary Class "B" fermented malt beverage licenses may be issued to bona fide clubs, to county or local fair associations or agricultural societies, to churches, lodges or societies that have been in existence for at least six (6) months before the date of application and to posts of veterans' organizations authorizing the sale of fermented malt beverages at a particular picnic or similar gathering, at a meeting of the post, or during a fair conducted by the fair association or agricultural society. A license issued to a county or district fair licenses the entire fairgrounds where the fair is being conducted and all persons engaging in retail sales of fermented malt beverages from leased stands on the fairgrounds. The county or district fair to which the license is issued may lease stands on the fairgrounds to persons who may engage in retail sales of

fermented malt beverages from the stands while the fair is being held. Such license is valid for dates as approved by the Village Board.

- (2) **Application.** Application for such license shall be signed by the president or corresponding officer of the society or association making such application and shall be filed with the Village Clerk-Treasurer together with the appropriate license fee for each day for which the license is sought. Any person fronting for any group other than the one applied for shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to a forfeiture of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) and will be ineligible to apply for a temporary Class "B" license for one (1) year. The license shall specify the hours and dates of license validity. The application shall be filed a minimum of fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting of the Village Board at which the application will be considered for events of more than three (3) consecutive days. If the application is for a license to be used in a Village park, the applicant shall specify the main point of sale facility.
- (f) **Temporary "Class B" Wine License.**
- (!) **License.** Notwithstanding Sec. 125.68(3), Wis. Stats., temporary "Class B" licenses may be issued to bona fide clubs, to county or local fair associations or agricultural societies, to churches, lodges or societies that have been in existence for at least six (6) months before the date of application and to posts of veterans' organizations authorizing the sale of wine containing not more than six percent (6%) alcohol by volume in an original package, container or bottle or by the glass if the wine is dispensed directly from an original package, container or hottle at a particular picnic or similar gathering, at a meeting of the post, or during a fair conducted by the fair association or agricultural society. No fee may be charged to a person who, at the same time, applies for a temporary Class "B" beer license under Sec. 125.26(6), Wis. Stats., or the same event. A license issued to a county or district fair licenses the entire fairgrounds where the fair is being conducted and all persons engaging in retail sales of wine containing not more than six percent (6%) alcohol by volume from leased stands on the fairgrounds. The county or district fair to which the license is issued may lease stands on the fairgrounds to persons who may engage in retail sales of wine containing not more than six percent (6%) alcohol by volume from the stands while the fair is being held.
 - (2) **Application.** Application for such license shall be signed by the president or corresponding officer of the society or association making such application and shall be filed with the Village Clerk-Treasurer together with the appropriate license fee for each day for which the license is sought. Any person fronting for any group other than the one applied for shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to a forfeiture of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) and will be ineligible to apply for a temporary "Class B" wine license for one (!) year. The license shall specify the hours and dates of license validity. The application shall be filed a minimum of fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting of the Village Board at which the application will be considered for events of more than three (3) consecutive days. If the application is for a license to be used in a Village park, the applicant shall specify the main point of sale facility.

- (g) **Wholesaler's License.** A wholesaler's fermented malt beverage license, when issued by the Village Clerk-Treasurer under authority of the Village Board, shall entitle the holder thereof to possess, sell or offer for sale fermented malt beverages only in original packages or containers to dealers, not to be consumed in or about the premises of said wholesaler.
- (h) **Retail "Class C" Licenses.**
 - (1) In this Subsection "barroom" means a room that is primarily used for the sale or consumption of alcohol beverages.
 - (2) A "Class C" license authorizes the retail sale of wine by the glass or in an opened original container for consumption on the premises where sold.
 - (3) A "Class C" license may be issued to a person qualified under Sec. 125.04(5), Wis. Stats., for a restaurant in which the sale of alcohol beverages accounts for less than fifty percent (50%) of gross receipts and which does not have a barroom if the municipality's quota prohibits the municipality from issuing a "Class B" license to that person. A "Class C" license may not be issued to a foreign corporation or a person acting as agent for or in the employ of another.
 - (4) A "Class C" license shall particularly describe the premises for which it is issued.

Cross-Reference: Section 7-2-17.

Sec. 7-2-5 License Fees.

There shall be the following classes of licenses which, when issued by the Village Clerk-Treasurer under the authority of the Village Board after payment of the license fee and publication costs hereinafter specified shall permit the holder to sell, deal or traffic in intoxicating liquors or fermented malt beverages as provided in Section 7-2-4 of this Code of Ordinances and Chapter 125, Wis. Stats.:

- (a) **Class "A" Fermented Malt Beverages Retailer's License.** The annual fee for this license shall be as prescribed by the Village Board. The fee for a license for less than twelve (12) months shall be prorated according to the number of months or fraction thereof for which the license is issued.
- (b) **Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage License.** The annual fee for this license shall be as prescribed by the Village Board. This license may be issued at any time for six (6) months in any calendar year, for which fifty percent (50%) of the applicable license fee shall be paid, but such license shall not be renewable during the calendar year in which issued. The fee for a license for less than twelve (12) months shall be prorated according to the number of months or fraction thereof for which the license is issued.
- (c) **Temporary Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage License.** The fee for this license shall be as prescribed by the Village Board per event.
- (d) **Temporary "Class B" Wine License.** The fee for this license shall be as prescribed by the Village Board per event. However, there shall be no fee if the Temporary Wine License is obtained along with a Temporary Fermented Malt Beverage License.

- (e) **Fermented Malt Beverage Wholesalers' License.** The annual fee for this license shall be as prescribed by the Village Board.
- (f) **"Class A" Intoxicating Liquor Retailer's License.** The annual fee for this license shall be as prescribed by the Village Board.
- (g) **"Class B" Intoxicating Liquor Retailer's License.** The annual fee for this license shall be as prescribed by the Village Board. This license may be issued at any time for six (6) months in any calendar year, for which fifty percent (50%) of the applicable license fee shall be paid, but such license shall not be renewable during the calendar year in which issued.
- (h) **"Class C" Wine License.** The annual fee for this license shall be as prescribed by the Village Board. The fee for less than twelve (12) months shall be prorated.

Sec. 7-2-6 Application for License.

- (a) **Contents.** Application for a license to sell or deal in intoxicating liquor or fermented malt beverages shall be made in writing on the form prescribed by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue and shall be sworn to by the applicant as provided by Secs. 887.01 to 887.04, Wis. Stats., and shall be filed with the Village Clerk-Treasurer not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the granting of such license. The premises shall be physically described to include every room and storage space to be covered by the license, including all rooms not separated by a solid wall or joined by connecting entrances.
- (b) **Corporations.** Such application shall be filed and sworn to by the applicant if an individual, by the president and secretary, of a corporation.
- (c) **Publication.** The Village Clerk-Treasurer shall publish each application for a Class "A", Class "B", "Class A", "Class B", or "Class C" license. There is no publication requirement for temporary Class "B" picnic beer licenses under Sec. 125.26, Wis. Stats., or temporary "Class B" picnic wine licenses under Sec. 125.51(10), Wis. Stats. The application shall be published once in the official Village newspaper, and the costs of publication shall be paid by the applicant at the time the application is filed, as determined under Sec. 985.08, Wis. Stats.
- (d) **Amending Application.** Whenever anything occurs to change any fact set out in the application of any Licensee, such Licensee shall file with the issuing authority a notice in writing of such change within ten (10) days after the occurrence thereof.
- (e) **Quota.**
 - (1) **Number of Class "A" Fermented Malt Beverages Licenses.** The number of persons and places that may be granted Class "A" Fermented Malt Beverages Licenses under this Chapter shall be limited to one (1).
 - (2) **Number of Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverages Licenses.** The number of persons and places that may be granted Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverages Licenses under this Chapter shall be limited to three (3).

- (3) **Number of "Class B" Intoxicating Liquor Licenses.** The number of persons and places that may be granted retail "Class B" Intoxicating Liquor Licenses under this Chapter shall be limited to two (2).
- (4) **Number of "Class A" Intoxicating Liquor Licenses.** The number of persons and places that may be granted "Class A" Intoxicating Liquor Licenses under this Chapter shall be limited to four (4).

Sec. 7-2-7 Qualifications of Applicants and Premises.

- (a) **Residence Requirements.** A retail Class "A" or Class "B" fermented malt beverage or "Class A" or "Class B" intoxicating liquor license shall be granted only to persons who are citizens of the United States and who have been residents of the State of Wisconsin continuously for at least ninety (90) days prior to the date of the application.
- (b) **Applicant to have Malt Beverage License.** No retail "Class B" intoxicating liquor license shall be issued to any person who does not have or to whom is not issued a Class "B" retailer's license to sell fermented malt beverages.
- (c) **Right to Premises.** No applicant will be considered unless he/she has the right to possession of the premises described in the application for the license period, by lease or by deed.
- (d) **Age of Applicant.** Licenses related to alcohol beverages shall only be granted to persons who have attained the legal drinking age.
- (e) **Corporate Restrictions.**
 - (1) No license or permit may be issued to any corporation unless the corporation meets the qualifications under Sec. 125.04(a)1 and 4 and (b), Wis. Stats., unless the agent of the corporation appointed under Sec. 125.04(6) and the officers and directors of the corporation meet the qualifications of Sec. 125.04(a)1 and 3 and (b) and unless the agent of the corporation appointed under Sec. 125.04(6) meets the qualification under Sec. 125.04(a)2. The requirement that the corporation meet the qualifications under Sec. 125.04(a)1 and (b) does not apply if the corporation has terminated its relationship with all of the individuals whose actions directly contributed to the conviction.
 - (2) Each corporate applicant shall file with its application for such license a statement by its officers showing the names and addresses of the persons who are stockholders together with the amount of stock held by such person or persons. It shall be the duty of each corporate applicant and Licensee to file with the Village Clerk-Treasurer a statement of transfers of stock within forty-eight (48) hours after such transfer of stock.
 - (3) Any license issued to a corporation may be revoked in the manner and under the procedure established in Sec. 125.12, Wis. Stats., when more than fifty percent (50%)

of the stock interest, legal or beneficial, in such corporation is held by any person or persons not eligible for a license under this Chapter or under the state law.

- (f) **Sales Tax Qualification.** All applicants for retail licenses shall provide proof, as required by Sec. 77.61(11), Wis. Stats., that they are in good standing for sales tax purposes (i.e., hold a seller's permit) before they may be issued a license.
- (g) **Connecting Premises.** Except in the case of hotels, no person may hold both a "Class A" license and either a "Class B" license or permit, a Class "B" license or permit, or a "Class C" license for the same premises or for connecting premises. Except for hotels, if either type of license or permit is issued for the same or connecting premises already covered by the other type of license or permit, the license or permit last issued is void. If both licenses or permits are issued simultaneously, both are void.
- (h) **Limitations on Other Business; Class "B" Premises.** No Class "B" license or permit may be granted for any premises where any other business is conducted in connection with the premises, except that this restriction does not apply if the premises for which the Class "B" license or permit is issued is connected to premises where other business is conducted by a secondary doorway that serves as a safety exit and is not the primary entrance to the Class "B" premises. No other business may be conducted on premises operating under a Class "B" license or permit. These restrictions do not apply to any of the following:
 - (1) A hotel.
 - (2) A restaurant, whether or not it is a part of or located in any mercantile establishment.
 - (3) A combination grocery store and tavern.
 - (4) A combination sporting goods store and tavern in towns, villages and 4th class cities.
 - (5) A combination novelty store and tavern.
 - (6) A bowling alley or recreation premises.
 - (7) A club, society or lodge that has been in existence for six (6) months or more prior to the date of filing application for the Class "B" license or permit.

Sec. 7-2-8 Investigation.

The Village Clerk-Treasurer shall notify the Chief of Police, Fire Inspector and Building Inspector (and, as appropriate, pertinent law enforcement agencies) of each new application, and these officials shall inspect or cause to be inspected each application and the premises, together with such other investigation as shall be necessary to determine whether the applicant and the premises sought to be licensed comply with the regulations, ordinances and laws applicable thereto, including those governing sanitation in restaurants, and whether the applicant is a proper recipient of a license. These officials shall furnish to the Village Clerk-Treasurer in writing, who shall forward to the Village Board, the information derived from such investigation, accompanied by a recommendation as to whether a license should be granted or refused. No license shall be renewed without a re-inspection of the premises and report as originally required.

Sec. 7-2-9 Approval of Application.

- (a) No license shall be granted for operation on any premises or with any equipment for which taxes, assessments, forfeitures or other financial claims of the Village are delinquent and unpaid.
- (b) No license shall be issued unless the premises conform to the sanitary, safety and health requirements of the State Building Code, and the regulations of the State Board of Health and local Board of Health applicable to restaurants. The premises must be properly lighted and ventilated, must be equipped with separate sanitary toilet and lavatory facilities equipped with running water for each sex and must conform to all Ordinances of the Village.
- (c) Consideration for the granting or denial of a license will be based on:
 - (1) Arrest and conviction record of the applicant, subject to the limitations imposed by Secs. 111.321, 111.322, and 111.335, Wis. Stats.;
 - (2) The financial responsibility of the applicant;
 - (3) The appropriateness of the location and the premises where the licensed business is to be conducted; and
 - (4) Generally, the applicant's fitness for the trust to be reposed.
- (d) An application may be denied based upon the applicant's arrest and conviction record if the applicant has been convicted of a felony (unless duly pardoned) or if the applicant has habitually been a law offender. For purposes of this licensing procedure, "habitually been a law offender" is generally considered to be an arrest or conviction of at least two (2) offenses which are substantially related to the licensed activity within the five (5) years immediately preceding the license application. Because a license is a privilege, the issuance of which is a right granted solely to the Village Board, the Village Board reserves the right to consider the severity, and facts and circumstances of the offense when making the determination to grant, deny or not renew a license. Further, the Board, at its discretion, may, based upon an arrest or conviction record of two (2) or more offenses which are substantially related to the licensed activity within the five (5) years immediately preceding, act to suspend such license for a period of one (!) year or more.

Sec. 7-2-10 Granting of License.

- (a) Opportunity shall be given by the governing body to any person to be heard for or against the granting of any license. Upon the approval of the applicant by the Village Board, the Village Clerk-Treasurer shall issue to the applicant a license, upon payment by the applicant of the license fee to the Village. The full license fee shall be charged for the whole or fraction of any year.
- (b) If the Village Board denies the license, the applicant shall be notified in writing, by registered mail or personal service, of the reasons for the denial. The notice shall also

inform the applicant of the opportunity to appear before the Village Board and to provide evidence as to why the denial should be reversed. In addition, the notice shall inform the applicant that the reconsideration of the application shall be held in closed session, pursuant to Sec. 19.85(1)(b), Wis. Stats., unless the applicant requests such reconsideration be held in open session and the Village Board consents to the request. Such written notice shall be mailed or served upon the applicant at least ten (10) days prior to the Village Board meeting at which the application is to be reconsidered.

Sec. 7-2-11 Transfer and Lapse of License.

- (a) In accordance with the provisions of Sec. 125.04(12), Wis. Stats., a license shall be transferable from one premises to another if such transfer is first approved by the Village Board. An application for transfer shall be made on a form furnished by the Village Clerk-Treasurer. Proceedings for such transfer shall be had in the same form and manner as the original application. The fee for such transfer is Ten Dollars (\$10.00). Whenever a license is transferred, the Village Clerk-Treasurer shall forthwith notify the Wisconsin Department of Revenue of such transfer. In the event of the sale of a business or business premises of the Licensee, the purchaser of such business or business premises must apply to the Village for reissuance of said license and the Village, as the licensing authority, shall in no way be bound to reissue said license to said subsequent purchaser.
- (b) Whenever the agent of a corporate holder of a license is for any reason replaced, the Licensee shall give the Village Clerk-Treasurer written notice of said replacement, the reasons therefor and the new appointment. Until the next regular meeting or special meeting of the Village Board, the successor agent shall have the authority to perform the functions and be charged with the duties of the original agent. However, said license shall cease to be in effect upon receipt by the Village Clerk-Treasurer of notice of disapproval of the successor agent by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue or other peace officer of the municipality in which the license was issued. The corporation's license shall not be in force after receipt of such notice or after a regular or special meeting of the Village Board until the successor agent or another qualified agent is appointed and approved by the Village.

Sec. 7-2-12 Numbering of License.

All licenses shall be numbered in the order in which they are issued and shall state clearly the specific premises for which granted, the date of issuance, the fee paid and the name of the Licensee. The Village Clerk-Treasurer shall affix to the license his affidavit as provided by Sec. 125.04(4), Wis. Stats.

Sec. 7-2-13 Posting Licenses; Defacement.

- (a) Every person licensed in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter shall immediately post such license and keep the same posted while in force in a conspicuous place in the room or place where said beverages are drawn or removed for service or sale.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to post such license or to be permitted to post it upon premises other than those mentioned in the application or knowingly to deface or destroy such license.

Sec. 7-2-14 Conditions of License.

All retail Class "A", Class "B", "Class A", "Class B" and "Class C" licenses granted hereunder shall be granted subject to the following conditions, and all other conditions of this Section, and subject to all other Ordinances and regulations of the Village applicable thereto.

- (a) **Consent to Entry.** Every applicant procuring a license thereby consents to the entry of law enforcement authorities or duly authorized representatives of the Village at all reasonable hours for the purpose of inspection and search, and consents to the removal from said premises of all things and articles there had in violation of Village Ordinances or state laws, and consents to the introduction of such things and articles in evidence in any prosecution that may be brought for such offenses.
- (b) **Employment of Minors.** No retail "Class B" or Class "B" licenses shall employ any underage person, as defined in the Wisconsin Statutes, but this shall not apply to hotels and restaurants. Family members may work on the licensed premises but are not permitted to sell or dispense alcoholic beverages.
- (c) **Disorderly Conduct Prohibited.** Each licensed premises shall, at all times, be conducted in an orderly manner, and no disorderly, riotous or indecent conduct shall be allowed at any time on any licensed premises.
- (d) **Licensed Operator on Premises.** There shall be upon premises operated under a "Class B", Class "B", or "Class C" license, at all times, the Licensee, members of the Licensee's immediate family who have attained the legal drinking age, and/or some person who shall have an operator's license and who shall be responsible for the acts of all persons serving as waiters, or in any other manner, any fermented malt beverages to customers. No person other than the Licensee shall serve fermented malt beverages in any place operated under a "Class B", Class "B", or "Class C" license unless he possesses an operator's license, or there is a person with an operator's license upon said premises at the time of such service.
- (e) **Health and Sanitation Regulations.** The rules and regulations of the State Board of Health governing sanitation in restaurants shall apply to all "Class B" liquor or "Class C" licenses issued under this Chapter. No "Class B" or "Class C" license shall be issued unless the premises to be licensed conform to such rules and regulations.

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- (f) **Restrictions Near Schools and Churches.** No retail Class "A", Class "B", "Class A" or "Class B" license shall be issued for premises, the main entrance of which is less than three hundred (300) feet from the main entrance of any established public school, parochial school, hospital or church. Such distance shall be measured by the shortest route along the highway from the closest point of the maintenance entrance of such school, church or hospital to the main entrance to such premises. This Subsection shall not apply to premises licensed as such on June 30, 1947, nor shall it apply to any premises licensed as such prior to the occupation of real property within three hundred (300) feet thereof by any school building, hospital building or church building.
- (g) **Clubs.** No club shall sell or give away any intoxicating liquors except to bona fide members and guests invited by members.
- (h) **Gambling Prohibited.** Except as authorized by state law, no gambling or game of chance of any sort shall be permitted in any form upon any premises licensed under this Chapter or the laws of the State of Wisconsin.
- (i) **Credit Prohibited.** No retail Class "A", Class "B", "Class A", "Class B", or "Class C" liquor, wine, or fermented malt beverage Licensee shall sell or offer for sale any alcohol beverage to any person or persons by extending credit, except hotel credit extended to a resident guest or a club to a bona fide member. It shall be unlawful for such Licensee or permittee to sell alcohol beverages to any person on a passbook or store order or to receive from any person any goods, ware, merchandise or other articles in exchange for alcohol beverages.
- U) **Licensee or Permittee Responsible for Acts of Help.** A violation of this Chapter by a duly authorized agent or employee of a Licensee or permittee under this Chapter shall constitute a violation by the Licensee or permittee. Whenever any Licensee or permittee under this Chapter shall violate any portion of this Chapter, proceedings for the suspension or revocation of the license or permit of the holder thereof may be instituted in the manner prescribed in this Chapter.
- (k) **Improper Exhibitions.**
- (1) **Purpose.**
- a. The 21st Amendment to the United States Constitution grants to the states the authority to regulate the sale of alcohol beverages;
 - b. Sec. 125.10(1), Wis. Stats., authorizes local municipalities to prescribe additional regulations for the sale of alcohol beverages which are not in conflict with Chapter 125, Wis. Stats.;
 - c. The Village Board upon due consideration finds that nudity and near nudity and sexual conduct are proper subjects for regulation in connection with the control of the sale of alcoholic beverages within the Village of Merrilan;
 - d. The Village Board further finds that any form of nudity coupled with alcohol consumption in a public place begets undesirable behavior and that there is a relationship between the consumption of alcoholic beverages and nudity and an

increase in criminal activities, moral degradation and the disturbances of the peace and the good order of the community. Concurrence of nudity and alcoholic beverages are hazardous to the health and the safety of those in attendance and tends to depreciate the value of adjoining property and to harm the economic welfare of the community as a whole. When there is concurrence of nudity and consumption of alcoholic beverages, other activities which are illegal, immoral or unhealthy tend to accompany them, concentrate around them, and be aggravated by them. Such other activities include but are not limited to prostitution, solicitation for prostitution, lewd and lascivious behavior, possession, distribution and transportation of obscene materials, sale or possession of controlled substances and violent crimes against persons and property; and,

- e. The Village Board has determined that the enactment of an ordinance prohibiting nudity and sexual conduct in establishments licensed to sell alcoholic beverages within the Village of Merrillan will prevent or limit such undesirable conduct and activities.
- (2) It shall be unlawful for any person to perform, or for any Licensee or manager or agent of the Licensee to permit any employee, entertainer or patron to engage in any live act, demonstration, dance or exhibition on the licensed premises which:
 - a. Exposes his or her genitals, pubic hair, buttocks, perineum, anal region or pubic hair region; or
 - b. Exposes any device, costume or covering which gives the appearance of or simulates genitals, pubic hair, buttocks, perineum, anal region or pubic hair region; or
 - c. Exposes any portion of the female breast at or below the areola thereof; or
 - d. Engages in or simulates sexual intercourse and/or any sexual contact, including the touching of any portion of the female breast or the male and/or female genitals.

Allotatioll: See *Colonnade Catering Corp. v. United States*, 397 U.S. 72, 90 S. Ct. 774 (1970); and *State v. Erickson*, 101 Wis. 2d 224 (1981), for guidelines for warrantless searches of licensed premises.

Sec. 7-2-15 Closing Hours.

Closing hours shall be established in conformance with Sec. 125.32(3), Wis. Stats., and further restricted as follows:

(a) **Class "B" Licenses.**

- (1) No premises for which a retail "Class B" liquor, Class "B" fermented malt beverage, or "Class C" wine license has been issued shall be permitted to remain open for the sale of liquor or fermented malt beverages or for any other purpose between the hours

- of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., Monday through Friday, and 2:30 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., Saturday and Sunday. There shall be no closing hours on January 1st.
- (2) Hotels and restaurants, the principal business of which is the furnishing of food or lodging to patrons, bowling alleys, indoor horseshoe-pitching facilities, curling clubs, golf courses and golf clubhouses may remain open for the conduct of their regular business but shall not sell liquor or malt beverages during the closing hours of Subsection (a)(I) above.
- (b) **Carryout Hours.** Between 9:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m., no person may sell, remove, carry out or permit to be removed or carried out from any premises having a "Class A" or Class "A" license, fermented malt beverages or intoxicating liquor in original unopened packages, containers or bottles or for consumption away from the premises.

Sec. 7-2-16 Restrictions on Temporary Fermented Malt Beverage or Wine Licenses.

It shall be unlawful for any person or organization on a temporary basis to sell or offer to sell any alcohol beverage upon any Village-owned property or privately-owned property within the Village of Merrilan, except through the issuance of a Temporary Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage License or Temporary "Class B" Wine License issued by the Village Board in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes and as set forth in this Section. A Temporary Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage License or Temporary "Class B" Wine License authorizing the sale and consumption of beer and/or wine on Village-owned property or privately-owned property may be authorized by the Village Board provided the following requirements are met:

- (a) **Compliance with Eligibility Standards.** The organization shall meet the eligibility requirements of a bona fide club, association, lodge or society as set forth in Sec. 125.26(6), Wis. Stats., and shall fully comply with the requirements of this Section and Section 11-4-1. Members of an organization which is issued a temporary license and who are issued operator's licenses for the event may be required to attend a pre-event informational meeting to learn what rules and regulations apply and what the responsibilities of the bartenders and organization will be.
- (b) **Posting of Signs and Licenses.** All organizations issued a temporary license shall post in a conspicuous location at the main point of sale and at all remote points of sale a sufficient number of signs stating that no fermented malt beverage shall be served to any under-age person without proper identification.
- (c) **Fencing.**
- (1) If necessary due to the physical characteristics of the site, the Village Board may require that organizations install a double fence around the main point of sale to control ingress and egress and continually station a licensed operator, security guard or other competent person at the entrance for the purpose of checking age identification. Where possible, there shall be only one (1) point of ingress and egress. When

required, the double fence shall be a minimum of four (4) feet high and a minimum of six (6) feet between fences.

- (2) For indoor events, the structure used shall have suitable exits and open spaces to accommodate anticipated attendance. It should contain adequate sanitary facilities to accommodate the size of the group.
- (d) **Underage Persons Prohibited.** No underage persons as defined by the Wisconsin Statutes shall be allowed to assist in the sale of fermented malt beverages or wine at any point of sale, nor shall they be allowed to loiter or linger in the area of any point of sale.
- (e) **Licensed Operators Requirement.** A licensed operator shall be stationed at all points of sales at all times.
- (f) **Waiver.** The Village Board may waive or modify the requirements of this Section due to the physical characteristics of the licensed site.
- (g) **Insurance.** The applicant for a temporary fermented malt beverage or wine license may be required to indemnify, defend and hold the Village and its employees and agents harmless against all claims, death of any person or any damage to property caused by or resulting from the activities for which the permit is granted. As evidence of the applicant's ability to perform the conditions of the license, the applicant may be required to furnish a Certificate of Comprehensive General Liability insurance with the Village of Merrilan. The applicant may be required to furnish a performance bond prior to being granted the license.

Cross-Reference: Section 11-4-1.

Sec. 7-2-17 Revocation and Suspension of Licenses; Non-Renewal.

- (a) **Procedure.** Whenever the holder of any license under this Chapter violates any portion of this Chapter or Title 11, Chapter 4, of this Code of Ordinances, proceedings for the revocation of such license may be instituted in the manner and under the procedure established by this Section.
- (b) **Abandonment of Premises.** Any Licensee holding a license to sell alcohol beverages who abandons such business or suspends or ceases to do business for a period of ninety (90) consecutive days shall forfeit any right or preference he may have to the holding of or renewal of such license. Abandonment shall be sufficient grounds for revocation of any alcohol beverage license. The losing of the licensed premises for at least six (6) months shall be prima facie evidence of the abandonment, unless extended by the Village Board. All persons issued a license to sell alcohol beverages in the Village for which a quota exists limiting the number of such licenses that may be issued by the Village shall cause such business described in such license to be operated on the premises described in such license for at least one hundred fifty (150) days during the terms of such license, unless such license is issued for a term of less than one hundred eighty (180) days, in which event this Subsection shall not apply.

(c) **License Revocation or Suspension ...** License revocation or suspension procedures shall be as prescribed by Chapter 125, Wis. Stats.

(d) **Point Values for Alcohol Beverages Violation, Revocations and Suspensions.**

(1) **Purpose and Definitions.** The purpose of this Subsection is to administratively interpret those portions of this Chapter relating to the establishment of an alcohol beverage demerit point system to assist in determining which license holders should be subject to suspension or revocation procedures.

(2) **Point Schedule.** The scale of demerit points is listed according to the type of alcohol beverage violation. This demerit point system is used to identify habitually troublesome license holders who have repeatedly violated state statutes and Village Ordinances for the purpose of recommending suspension or revocation of their alcohol beverage licenses.

Type of Violation	Point Value
1. Sale of alcohol beverages without license or permit; sale of controlled substances on licensed premises	100
2. Sale of alcohol beverages to underage person	50
3. Sale of alcohol beverages to intoxicated person	50
4. Underage person on premises	50
5. Intoxicated bartender; disorderly conduct on premises	50
6. After hours consumption	50
7. Refusal to allow police to search premises or refusal to cooperate with lawful police investigation	50
8. Licensee, agent or operator not on premises at all times	25
9. Persons on premises after closing hours	25

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| 10. Violations of carry-out hours | 25 |
| 11. Licensee permitting person to leave licensed premises with open alcohol beverage | 25 |
| 12. All other violations of this Chapter | 25 |
- (3) **Violations How Calculated.** In determining the accumulated demerit points against a licensee within twelve (12) months, the Village shall use the date each violation was committed as the basis for the determination.
- (4) **Suspension or Revocation of License.**
- a. The Village Board shall call before it for purposes of revocation or suspension hearing all licensees who have accumulated two hundred (200) points in a twelve (12) month period as a result of court imposed convictions.
 - b. If the demerit point accumulation calculated from the date of violation amounts to two hundred (200) points in a twelve (12) month period, a suspension of thirty (30) days shall be imposed. If the demerit point accumulation is two hundred fifty (250) points (calculated from the date of violation) in a twenty-four (24) month period, a suspension of sixty (60) days shall be imposed. If the demerit point accumulation in a thirty-six (36) month period is three hundred (300) points, the suspension shall be for the maximum allowed by law, which is ninety (90) days. If the license is revoked no other license shall be granted to such licensee or for such premises for a period of twelve (12) months from the date of revocation.
 - c. The procedure to be used for suspension or revocation shall be that found in Subsection (c) above.

Sec. 7-2-18 Non-Alcohol Events for Underage Persons on Licensed Premises.

The presence of underage persons on a licensed premises as provided under Sec. 125.07(3)(a)10, Wis. Stats., shall be subject to the following:

- (a) The Licensee or agent of a corporate Licensee shall notify the Village Marshal at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the date of any event at which underage persons will be present on the licensed premises. Each such non-alcohol event notice shall specify the date(s) on which the event is to occur and the time(s) of commencement. All notices shall be filed with the Village Marshal during normal working hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday) and shall be given on forms prescribed by the Village. After a

non-alcohol event notice has been given, the Licensee may cancel an event(s) only by giving like notice to the Chief of Police in accordance with the provisions of this Subsection. Regardless of the date given, all notices shall expire and be deemed cancelled no later than the date of expiration or revocation of the applicable retail Class "B", "Class B" or "Class C" license:

- (b) During the period of any non-alcohol event a notice card prescribed by the Chief of Police shall be posted at all public entrances to the licensed premises notifying the general public that no alcohol beverages may be consumed, sold or given away on or carried into the licensed premises during the event. Such notice cards shall be made available by the Village to a requesting Licensee.
- (c) Once a non-alcohol event has commenced, no alcohol beverages may be consumed, sold or given away on or carried into the licensed premises until the next day following the closing hours of the licensed premises.
- (d) During the period of any non-alcohol event all alcohol beverages shall be stored in a locked portion of the licensed premises in a secure place out of the sight and physical reach of any patron present and shall be under the direct and immediate control and supervision of the Licensee or a licensed bartender in the employ of the Licensee. All beer taps and automatic dispensers of alcohol beverages ("speed guns") shall be either disconnected, disabled or made inoperable.

Cross-Reference: Section 11-4-3(a)(8), (10).

Sec. 7-2-19 Outdoor Sports and Beer Gardens Activities Regulated.

- (a) **Purpose.** The Village Board finds that restrictions are necessary for outdoor beer gardens and sports activities at premises holding "Class B" and Class "B" liquor and fermented malt beverages licenses due to concerns arising from noise, density and related problems. This Section enacted pursuant to police power provides a framework for regulatory controls on such outdoor sports and beer garden activities.
- (b) **Approval Required.**
 - (1) **Generally.** No Licensee shall conduct or sponsor any outdoor sports activity or event or beer garden on property forming any part of the real property on which the licensed premises exist without the prior approval of the Village Board.
 - (2) **Permit Required for Beer Garden Outdoor Consumption.** No licensee shall permit the consumption of alcohol beverages on any part of the licensed premises not enclosed within the building, except under a beer garden permit granted by the Village Board. The permits are a privilege in which no rights vest and, therefore, may be revoked by the Village Board at its pleasure at any time or shall otherwise expire on June 30 of each year. No person shall consume or have in his or her possession

alcohol beverages on any unenclosed part of a licensed premises which is not described in a valid beer garden permit.

- (c) **Application.** If a Licensee shall conduct or sponsor any outdoor sports activity or event or beer garden on the Licensee's property, the Licensee shall file an application with the Clerk-Treasurer setting forth the following information:
- (1) The name, address and telephone number of the person or persons who will be responsible for the actual conduct of the activity or event;
 - (2) The date and duration of time for the proposed activity or event;
 - (3) An accurate description of that portion of the Licensee's property proposed to be used;
 - (4) A good faith estimate of the number of users, participants and spectators for the beer garden or proposed activity or event; and
 - (5) The Licensee's plan for maintaining the cleanliness of the licensed area.
- (d) **Time for Filing.** The Licensee shall file the application not less than fifteen (15) days before the date of the proposed activity or event. The Village Board may waive the fifteen (15) day time limit upon a Licensee's showing of exigent circumstances. The application shall be accompanied by payment of a fee of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for review of the application. The applicant may request that an annual permit be issued for the beer garden or outdoor sports activities.
- (e) **Review.** The Village Board shall review the applications in light of the standards of this Section. If the nature of the property or the event requires the imposition of additional regulations, the Village Board may impose these regulations upon an express finding detailing the reasons for additional regulation. All property owners within one hundred fifty (150) feet of the proposed beer garden or outside sports facility shall be notified of the pendency of application for a permit by first class mail.
- (f) **Outdoor Sports Activity Standards.** The following standards shall apply to any outdoor sports activity regulated under this Section:
- (1) Approval of an application shall not act to permit outdoor consumption of alcohol beverages on the property beyond the area specifically licensed.
 - (2) If the estimated number of participants and spectators shall bring the number of persons on the property above the number for which licensed premises' restroom facilities are rated adequate, the Licensee shall provide a number of portable temporary restrooms sufficient to serve the estimated number of persons.
 - (3) The Village Board shall not grant approval to any applicant whose property on which the activity or event is proposed is adjacent to any property zoned residential or on which a residential use exists as a nonconforming use, or within one hundred (100) feet of any property zoned residential or on which a residential use exists as a nonconforming use. Fencing may be required.
 - (4) The applicant shall provide parking adequate for the proposed activity or event, whether on-site or through agreements with property owners shown to the Village Board's satisfaction to permit their property to be used for parking for the proposed activity or event.

- (5) The applicant shall show the Village Board plans adequate to provide reasonable access to participants and spectators for the event, and to limit access for all other persons.
 - (6) The Licensee shall clean up all garbage and debris relating to the activity or event at least once per twenty-four hour (24) hours during the activity or event.
 - (7) The Licensee shall not permit the noise level of the sports activity or event to exceed seventy-five (75) db, measured at any border of the Licensee's real property.
 - (8) The Licensee shall specify times of operation, generally to terminate no later than 11:00 PM.
- (g) **Limitation on Issuance of Beer Garden Permits.** No permit shall be issued for a beer garden if any part of the beer garden is within fifty (50) feet of a structure used for residential purposes, except residential uses located in the same structure as the licensed premises. No permit shall be issued for a beer garden if the beer garden area is greater than fifty percent (50%) of the gross floor area of the adjoining licensed premises. Each applicant for a beer garden permit shall accurately describe the area intended for use as a beer garden and shall indicate the nature of fencing or other measures intended to provide control over the operation of the beer garden. Every beer garden shall be completely enclosed with a fence or wall not less than six (6) feet in height. No Amplified sound or music is permitted outside the enclosed (building) premises. Amplified sound or music is not permitted in the beer garden. There shall be a licensed operator with the beer garden at all times the beer garden is in operation.
- (h) **State Statutes Enforced Within Beer Garden.** Every permittee under this Section shall comply with and enforce all provisions of Chapter 125, Wis. Stats., applicable to Class "B" licensed premises, except insofar as such provisions are clearly inapplicable. Violation of the provisions of Chapter 125, Wis. Stats., shall be grounds for immediate revocation of the outdoor sports activity or beer garden permit by the Village Board.
- (i) **Violations.** Failure of the Licensee to comply with any of the provisions of this Section shall be grounds for suspension, nonrenewal or revocation of the Licensee's alcohol license or licenses.

(g) Updated by the Board B-13-13

Sec. 7-2-20 Special Event Beer Garden Permits.

- (a) **Permit.** The Village Board may, upon consultation with the Chief of Police, issue Special Event Beer Garden Permits to existing licensees permitting the consumption of alcohol beverages on a part of the licensed premises not enclosed within a building, upon application and subject to the terms of this ordinance. Such permits shall be deemed a privilege in which no rights vest and therefore may be revoked by the Village Board at its pleasure at any time. Such permits may be issued for periods not to exceed three (3) consecutive days. No such permit shall be issued to a licensed premises located in a district zoned as R-1 single family residential or R-2 single or double family residential. Such permit may be issued to allow modification of the conditions applicable to an existing beer garden permit during a special event or to allow establishment of a new beer garden at a licensed premises for the duration of a special event as permitted herein.
- (b) **Application.** Any applicant for a Special Event Beer Garden Permit shall submit a site plan describing the area which will constitute the beer garden. The applicant shall also state the planned hours of operation of the beer garden and proposed hours for outdoor music or entertainment.

- (c) **Conditions.** The size, location and layout of the beer garden as well as its hours of operation and the hours during which outdoor music or entertainment may be allowed shall be determined by the Village Board, upon consultation with the Police Chief. The beer garden area shall be adequately enclosed by a fence at least six (6) feet in height to prohibit or significantly restrict the ease with which alcohol beverages may be passed from within the beer garden area to anyone outside the beer garden area. If any portion of the proposed beer garden is located within fifty (50) feet of a structure that is either used for residential purposes or is located in a district zoned residential, no permit shall be issued unless the owner(s) of the structure indicates to the Village Board, in writing, his or her consent to the granting of the permit.
- (d) **Fee.** The fee for a Special Event Beer Garden Permit shall be \$50.
- (e) **Compliance With Applicable Laws.** Every permittee shall comply with all applicable provisions of Chapter 125, Wis. Stats. and the Municipal Code for the Village of Merrilan. Violation of any governing statute or ordinance provision shall be grounds for immediate revocation of the permit.
- (f) **Penalty.** Any person who violates any provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to the penalty provision of this chapter.

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alcohol beverages on any unenclosed part of a licensed premises which is not described in a valid beer garden permit.

- (c) **Application.** If a Licensee shall conduct or sponsor any outdoor sports activity or event or beer garden on the Licensee's property, the Licensee shall file an application with the Clerk-Treasurer setting forth the following information:
- (1) The name, address and telephone number of the person or persons who will be responsible for the actual conduct of the activity or event;
 - (2) The date and duration of time for the proposed activity or event;
 - (3) An accurate description of that portion of the Licensee's property proposed to be used;
 - (4) A good faith estimate of the number of users, participants and spectators for the beer garden or proposed activity or event; and
 - (5) The Licensee's plan for maintaining the cleanliness of the licensed area.
- (d) **Time for Filing.** The Licensee shall file the application not less than fifteen (15) days before the date of the proposed activity or event. The Village Board may waive the fifteen (15) day time limit upon a Licensee's showing of exigent circumstances. The application shall be accompanied by payment of a fee of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for review of the application. The applicant may request that an annual permit be issued for the beer garden or outdoor sports activities.
- (e) **Review.** The Village Board shall review the applications in light of the standards of this Section. If the nature of the property or the event requires the imposition of additional regulations, the Village Board may impose these regulations upon an express finding detailing the reasons for additional regulation. All property owners within one hundred fifty (150) feet of the proposed beer garden or outside sports facility shall be notified of the pendency of application for a permit by first class mail.
- (f) **Outdoor Sports Activity Standards.** The following standards shall apply to any outdoor sports activity regulated under this Section:
- (1) Approval of an application shall not act to permit outdoor consumption of alcohol beverages on the property beyond the area specifically licensed.
 - (2) If the estimated number of participants and spectators shall bring the number of persons on the property above the number for which licensed premises' restroom facilities are rated adequate, the Licensee shall provide a number of portable temporary restrooms sufficient to serve the estimated number of persons.
 - (3) The Village Board shall not grant approval to any applicant whose property on which the activity or event is proposed is adjacent to any property zoned residential or on which a residential use exists as a nonconforming use, or within one hundred (100) feet of any property zoned residential or on which a residential use exists as a nonconforming use. Fencing may be required.
 - (4) The applicant shall provide parking adequate for the proposed activity or event, whether on-site or through agreements with property owners shown to the Village Board's satisfaction to permit their property to be used for parking for the proposed activity or event.

- (5) The applicant shall show the Village Board plans adequate to provide reasonable access to participants and spectators for the event, and to limit access for all other persons.
 - (6) The Licensee shall clean up all garbage and debris relating to the activity or event at least once per twenty-four (24) hours during the activity or event.
 - (7) The Licensee shall not permit the noise level of the sports activity or event to exceed seventy-five (75) db, measured at any border of the Licensee's real property.
 - (8) The licensee shall specify times of operation, generally to terminate no later than 11:00 p.m.
- (g) **Limitations on Issuance of Beer Garden Permits.** No permit shall be issued for a beer garden if any part of the beer garden is within one hundred (100) feet of a structure used for residential purposes, except residential uses located in the same structure as the licensed premises. No permit shall be issued for a beer garden if the beer garden area is greater than fifty percent (50%) of the gross floor area of the adjoining licensed premises. Each applicant for a beer garden permit shall accurately describe the area intended for use as a beer garden and shall indicate the nature of fencing or other measures intended to provide control over the operation of the beer garden. Every beer garden shall be completely enclosed with a fence or wall not less than six (6) feet in height. No amplified sound or music is permitted outside the enclosed (building) premises. Amplified sound or music is not permitted in the beer garden. There shall be a licensed operator with the beer garden at all times the beer garden is in operation.
- (h) **State Statutes Enforced Within Beer Garden.** Every permittee under this Section shall comply with and enforce all provisions of Chapter 125, Wis. Stats., applicable to Class "B" licensed premises, except insofar as such provisions are clearly inapplicable. Violation of the provisions of Chapter 125, Wis. Stats., shall be grounds for immediate revocation of the outdoor sports activity or beer garden permit by the Common Council.
- (i) **Violations.** Failure of the Licensee to comply with any of the provisions of this Section shall be grounds for suspension, nonrenewal or revocation of the Licensee's alcohol beverage license or licenses.

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Article B: Operator License

Sec. 7-2-30 Operator's License Required.

(a) **Operator's License; Class "A" , Class "B" or Class "C" Premises.** Except as provided under Sec. 125.32 (3)(b) and Sec 125.07 (3)(a) 10, Wis. Stats., no premises operated under a Class "A", Class "B" or Class "C" license or permit may be open for business unless there is upon the premises the Licensee or permittee, the agent named in the license or permit if the Licensee or permittee is a corporation, or some person who has an operator's license and who is responsible for the acts of all persons serving any fermented malt beverages to customers. An operator's license issued in respect to a vessel under Sec. 125.27 (2), Wis. Stats., is valid outside the municipality that issues it. For the purpose of this Section, any person holding a manager's license under Sec. 125.18 Wis Stats., or any member of the Licensee's or permittee's immediate family who has attained the age eighteen (18), shall be considered the hold of an operator's license. No person including a member of the Licensee's or permittee's immediate family, other than the Licensee, permittee or agent, may serve fermented malt beverages in any place operated under a Calls "A", Class "B" or Class "C" license or permit unless he or she has an operator's license or is at least eighteen (18) years of again and is under the immediate supervision of the Licensee, permittee, agent or a person holding an operator's license, who is on the premises at the time of the service.

(b) Use by Another Prohibited.

- (1) No person may allow another to use his or her Class "A" or Class "B" license or permit to sell alcohol beverages.
- (2) The license or permit of a person who violates Subsection (b) (1) above shall be revoked.

(State Law Reference: Sections 125.17 and 125.32, Wis Stats.

Sec. 7-2-31 Procedure Upon Application

(a) The Village Board may issue an operator's license, which license shall be granted only upon application in writing on forms to be obtained from the Village Clerk-Treasurer or Deputy Clerk only to persons eighteen (18) years of age or older. Operator's licenses shall be operative only within the limits of the Village.

(b) All applications are subject to an investigation by the Village --designated law enforcement authorities and/or other appropriate authority to determine whether the applicant and/or premises to be licensed complies with all regulations, ordinances and law applicable thereto. The investigation authority shall conduct an investigation of the applicant including, but not limited to, requesting from the State, surrounding municipalities, and/or any community where the applicant has previously resided concerning the applicant's arrest and conviction record. Based upon such investigation, the investigation authority shall recommend, in writing, to the Village Board approval or denial of the application, If the investigating authority recommends denial, the investigating authority shall provide, in writing, the reasons for such recommendation.

Sec. 7-2-32 Duration.

License issued under the provisions of this Chapter shall be valid for a period of two(2) years and shall expire on the thirtieth (30th) day of June of the year of expiration.

Sec. 7-2-33 Operator's License Fee; Provisional or Temporary Licenses.

(a) **Fee.** The fee for an operator's license shall be as set by the Village Board for the term or part thereof. The non-refundable fee for a provisional license shall be as set by the Village Board . There shall be no fee for a temporary operator's license.

(b) **Provisional License.** The Village Clerk-Treasurer or Deputy Clerk may issue provisional operator's licenses in accordance with Sec. 125.17(5), Wis. Stats. The provisional operator's license shall expire sixty (60) days after its issuance or when an operator's license is issued to the holder, whichever is sooner. The Chief of Police shall submit to the Clerk-Treasurer or Deputy Clerk a report regarding the applicant's conviction history, if any. The applicant for such provisional license must present evidence to the Clerk-Treasurer or Deputy Clerk establishing that the applicant is enrolled in an Alcohol Awareness training Program established pursuant to sec. 125.17(a), Wis. Stats. The Village Clerk-Treasurer or Deputy Clerk may, upon an application for a temporary provisional license, issue such a license without requiring the successful completion of the approved program as described herein. However, such temporary license shall be used only for the purpose of allowing such applicant the privilege of being licensed as a beverage operator pending his/her successful completion of the approved program, and the applicant shall also apply for a regular operator's license. No such Provisional Operator's License shall be issued prior to a waiting period or less than ninety-six (96) hours [four (4) days], and the completion of a background check subject to limitations established by law. A provisional license *may* not be issued to any person who has been denied an operator's license by the Village Board, who has had his/her operator's license revoked or suspended within the preceding twelve (12) months, or who previously held an operator's license and who failed to complete the Alcohol Awareness training Program without first successfully completing the program. The Village Clerk-Treasurer or Deputy Clerk shall provide an appropriate application form to be completed in full by the applicant. The Village Clerk-Treasurer or Deputy Clerk shall provide an appropriate application form to be completed in full by the applicant. The Village Clerk-Treasurer or Deputy Clerk may revoke the provisional license issued if he/she discovers that the holder of the license made a false statement on the application. A provisional license shall not be renewed.

(c) **Temporary License.** The Village Clerk-Treasurer or Deputy Clerk may issue a temporary operator's license provided that:

(1) This license may be issued only to operators employed by, or donating their services to, nonprofit corporations.

(2) No person may hold more than one (1) license of this kind per year.

(3) The license is valid for any period from one (1) day to fourteen (14) days, and the period for which it is valid shall be stated on the license.

Sec. 7-2-34 Issuance or Denial or Operator's License.

- (a) After the Village Board approves the granting of an operator's license, the Village Clerk-Treasurer shall issue the license. Such licenses shall be issued and numbered in the order they are granted and shall give the applicant's name and address and the date of the expiration of such license.
- (b) (1) If the application is denied by the Village Board, the Village Clerk-Treasurer shall, in writing, inform the applicant of the denial, the reasons therefore, and of the opportunity to request a reconsideration of the application by the Village Board in a closed session. Such notice must be sent by registered mail to, or served upon, the applicant at least ten (10) days prior to the Board's reconsideration of the matter. At such reconsideration hearing, the applicant may present evidence and testimony as to why the license should be granted.
- (2) If, upon reconsideration, the Board again denies the application, the Village Clerk-Treasurer shall notify the applicant in writing of the reasons therefore. An applicant who is denied any license upon reconsideration of the matter, may apply to Circuit Court pursuant to Sec. 125.12(2)(d), Wis. Stats., for review.
- (c) (1) Consideration for the granting or denial of a license will be based on:
 - a. Arrest and conviction record of the applicant, subject to the limitations imposed by Sections 111.321, 111.322, and 111.335, Wis. Stats.;
 - b. The financial responsibility of the applicant;
 - c. The appropriateness of the location and the premises where the licensed business is to be conducted; and
 - d. Generally, the applicant's fitness for the trust to be reposed.
- (2) If a Licensee is convicted of an offense substantially related to the licensed activity, the Village Board may act to revoke or suspend the license.
- (d) An application may be denied based upon the applicant's arrest and conviction record if the applicant has been convicted of a felony (unless duly pardoned) or if the applicant has habitually been a law offender. For purposes of this licensing procedure, "habitually been a law offender" is generally considered to be an arrest or conviction of at least two (2)

offenses which are substantially related to the licensed activity within the five (5) years immediately preceding the license application. Because a license is a privilege, the issuance of which is a right granted solely to the Village Board, the Village Board reserves the right to consider the severity, and facts and circumstances of the offense when making the determination to grant, deny or not renew a license. Further, the Village Board, at its discretion, may, based upon an arrest or conviction record of two (2) or more offenses which are substantially related to the licensed activity within the five (5) years immediately preceding, act to suspend such license for a period of one (1) year or more.

Sec. 7-2-35 Training Course.

- (a) Except as provided in Subsection (b) below, the Village Board may not issue an operator's license unless the applicant has successfully completed a responsible beverage server training course at any location that is offered by a vocational, technical and adult education district and that conforms to curriculum guidelines specified by the board of vocational, technical and adult education or a comparable training course that is approved by the educational approval board or unless the applicant fulfills one of the following requirements:
 - (1) The person is renewing an operator's license.
 - (2) Within the past two (2) years, the person held a Class "A", Class "B", "Class A", "Class B", or "Class C" license or permit or a manager's or operator's license.
 - (3) Within the past two (2) years, the person has completed such a training course.
- (b) The Village Board may issue a provisional operator's license to a person who is enrolled in a training course under Subsection (a) above and shall revoke that license if the applicant fails successfully to complete the course in which he or she enrolls.
- (c) The Village Board may not require that applicants for operators' licenses undergo training in addition to that under Subsection (a), but may require applicants to purchase, at cost, materials that deal with relevant local subjects not covered in the course under Subsection (a).

Sec. 7-2-36 Display of License.

Each license issued under the provisions of this Chapter shall be posted on the premises whenever the operator dispenses beverages or be in his/her possession, or carry a license card.

Sec. 7-2-37 Revocation of Operator's License.

Violation of any of the terms or provisions of the State law or of this Chapter relating to operator's licenses by any person holding such operator's license shall be cause for revocation of the license

Article C: Penalties.

Sec. 7-2-40 Penalties

- (a) Forfeitures for violations of Sections 125.07(1)-(5) and 125.09(2), Wis. Stats., adopted by reference in Section 7-2-1 of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Merrilan, shall conform to the forfeiture penalty permitted to be imposed for violations of the comparable State Statute, including any variations or increases for subsequent offenses.
- (b) Any person who shall violate any provision of this Chapter of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Merrilan, except as otherwise provided in Subsection (a) herein or who shall conduct any activity or make any sale for which a license is required without a license, shall be subject to a forfeiture as provided in the general penalty section of this Code of the Village of Merrilan.
- (c) Nothing herein shall preclude or affect the power of the sentencing court to exercise additional authorities granted by the Wisconsin Statutes.