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Internal Management Memorandum

TO:

All Division Personnel

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Division Growler Policy

Date:

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The Division recognizes that there has been an increase in questions relating to the filling of growlers in recent months. This bulletin is intended to provide guidance as to how to deal with these questions. Growlers cannot be filled by any license type that is limited to consumption on premise. This means that the following license holders cannot fill growlers:

SRX	HBX
SBX	Н
SAL	SPX
SCC	SCX
SAX	SA
11CX	ODP
CMBP	GC
FEX	11PA
11CS	11C
11CT	11AL
NMSP	11CG
Common Carriers	12RT
SODP	

According to s. 563.06 Florida Statutes (2012), the growler cannot be larger than 32 ounces unless it is a gallon or larger. The growler must be sealed by the licensee so that law enforcement personnel can determine whether the seal has been broken as provided by s. 316.1936. The licensee may want to consider the local ordinances and restrictions before beginning to fill growlers but as long as they follow these rules while filling growlers they will not violate any rules the Division is responsible for enforcing.