Dock Sales
Dock sales happen when a licensee wishes to pick up product from a beer wholesaler or table wine distributor instead of having the product delivered to their licensed premises.

Allowed
● An all-beverages licensee or employee may pick up beer or table wine in any quantity as agreed upon with any wholesaler/distributor in any part of the state.
● Other licensed retailers’ licensees or employees may pick up beer or table wine in any quantity as agreed upon with the wholesaler or distributor as long as the licensed retailer is within the territory of the wholesaler/distributor.
● Agency liquor stores may pick up table wine in any quantity as agreed upon with the distributor as long as the agency liquor store is within the territory of the distributor.

Alternate Delivery
An alternate delivery may happen when beer wholesaler or table wine distributor trucks are incapable of delivering beer or wine products to the licensed premises due to the unique physical location of the retail licensee’s premise, such as on an island or atop a mountain.

Prior approval must be received before the retail licensee and wholesaler/distributor licensee commence this arrangement
● Submit the Alternative Delivery Arrangement form to the Department with both the retail licensee and wholesaler/distributor licensee signatures.
● The Department will provide both licensees a written summary of the conditions of the approved delivery arrangement and keep the summary on file on both of the licensees’ accounts.

Amended Sections of Title 16 Effective Date
Effective April 14, 2021 with the passage of House Bill 226 during the 2021 Legislative Session.

AMENDING SECTIONS 16-3-219, 16-3-418, MCA. Newly amended sections to Title 16 will not be available for print until approximately October 2021. Click here to read full version of HB226.

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