

**243.730 Reports by wholesalers and distributors or retailers -- Applicability of brewers' tax credit -- Due date of tax -- Advance payments -- Bond.**

- (1) (a) Wholesalers of distilled spirits and wine shall pay and report the tax levied by KRS 243.720(1) and (2) on or before the twentieth day of the calendar month next succeeding the month in which possession or title of the distilled spirits and wine is transferred from the wholesaler to retailers or consumers in this state, in accordance with rules and regulations of the Department of Revenue designed reasonably to protect the revenues of the Commonwealth.
- (b) Distributors or retailers of malt beverages, who purchase malt beverages directly from a brewer, shall pay and report the tax levied by KRS 243.720(3) on or before the twentieth day of the calendar month next succeeding the month in which the brewer sells, transfers, or passes title of the malt beverage to the distributor or retailer, in accordance with rules and regulations of the Department of Revenue designed reasonably to protect the revenues of the Commonwealth. The credit allowed brewers in this state, under the provisions of KRS 243.720(3)(b), shall flow through to the distributor or retailer who purchases malt beverages directly from the brewer. If a brewer sells, transfers, or passes title to malt beverages to any of its employees for home consumption or to any charitable or fraternal organization pursuant to the provisions of KRS 243.150, the brewer shall be responsible for paying and reporting the tax levied by KRS 243.720(3) in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c) of this section.
- (c) Every brewer selling, transferring, or passing title to malt beverages to any person in this state other than a distributor or retailer, and every other person selling, transferring, or passing title of distilled spirits, wine, or malt beverages to distributors, retailers, or consumers shall report and pay the tax levied by KRS 243.720(1), (2), or (3) on or before the twentieth day of the calendar month next succeeding the month in which possession or title of distilled spirits, wine, or malt beverages is transferred to a distributor, retailer, or consumer in this state, in accordance with rules and regulations of the Department of Revenue designed reasonably to protect the revenues of the Commonwealth.
- (d) Every distributor, retailer, or consumer possessing, using, selling, or distributing distilled spirits, wine, or malt beverages in this state upon which the tax levied by KRS 243.720(1), (2), or (3) and KRS 243.884 has not been paid shall be jointly and severally liable for reporting and paying the tax due, in accordance with rules and regulations of the Department of Revenue designed reasonably to protect the revenues of the Commonwealth. Such liability shall not be extinguished until the tax has been paid to the Department of Revenue.
- (e) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subsection, every owner of a small farm winery shall pay and report the tax levied by KRS 243.720 (1) and (2) on a quarterly basis, in accordance with administrative

regulations of the Department of Revenue designed reasonably to protect the revenues of the Commonwealth.

- (2) Every wholesaler of distilled spirits or wine before using, selling, or distributing by sale or gift distilled spirits and wine shall qualify with the Department of Revenue. In order to so qualify, each wholesaler shall furnish to the Department of Revenue a certified copy of the bond required to be filed with the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control under the provisions of KRS 243.400(2).
- (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of KRS 243.400(1), every brewer before selling or distributing by sale or gift malt beverages, or before importing malt beverages into the state, shall qualify with the Department of Revenue in such manner as the Department of Revenue may require.
- (4) The Department of Revenue shall have the power to require a bond from any other person liable for Kentucky distilled spirits, wine, or malt beverage taxes provided such person is not otherwise required to post a bond under the provisions of this section. The amount of the bond for persons liable for Kentucky distilled spirits or wine taxes shall be computed as provided in KRS 243.400(2). The amount of the bond for persons liable for Kentucky malt beverage taxes shall be in the minimum amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or an amount equal to three (3) times the person's average monthly Kentucky malt beverage tax liability, whichever is greater. The bond shall be on a form prescribed by the Department of Revenue and have corporate surety registered by the Department of Insurance. The person liable for the tax shall be the principal obligor and the state the obligee. The bond shall be conditioned upon the prompt payment by the person to the Department of Revenue of all malt beverage taxes due, with penalties and interest.

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