

§ 18B-1113.1. Authorization of optional nonresident spirituous liquor vendor permit.

(a) The following businesses may apply for and obtain a nonresident spirituous liquor vendor permit:

- (1) A business located outside the State that is licensed or permitted to manufacture spirituous liquor in the jurisdiction where the business is located and whose products are lawfully sold in this State.
- (2) A brokerage.
- (3) A liquor importer/bottler.

(b) The holder of a nonresident spirituous liquor vendor permit may sell, deliver, and ship spirituous liquor that has been approved for sale in this State to the permit holder's (i) employees in the State and (ii) brokerage if the brokerage also holds a nonresident spirituous liquor vendor permit for the purposes of conducting special events pursuant to G.S. 18B-1114.7. The permit holder may not ship or deliver more spirituous liquor to its employees or brokerage than is necessary for any consumer tasting event scheduled within one calendar month of the shipment or delivery. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to require a business to possess or obtain a nonresident spirituous liquor vendor permit to do business in the State or to obtain a spirituous liquor special event permit pursuant to G.S. 18B-1114.7.

(c) For purposes of this section, "brokerage" means a business that brokers the sale of spirituous liquor on behalf of a distillery or liquor importer/bottler, and "distillery" means the holder of a distillery permit issued under G.S. 18B-1105 or a business located outside the State that is licensed or permitted to manufacture spirituous liquor in the jurisdiction where the business is located and whose products are lawfully sold in this State. (2021-150, s. 6.2(a).)