## **CHAPTER 297C**

# LIQUOR TAXATION

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### 297C.03 PAYMENT OF TAX; WINE AND DISTILLED SPIRITS.

Subdivision 1. Manner and time of payment; failure to pay. The tax on wines and distilled spirits on which the excise tax has not been previously paid must be paid to the commissioner by persons liable for the tax on or before the 18th day of the month following the month in which the first sale is made in this state by a licensed manufacturer or wholesaler. Every person liable for the tax on wines or distilled spirits imposed by section 297C.02 must file with the commissioner on or before the 18th day of the month following first sale in this state by a licensed manufacturer or wholesaler a return in the form prescribed by the commissioner, and must keep records and render reports required by the commissioner. The commissioner may certify to the commissioner of public safety any failure to pay taxes when due as a violation of a statute relating to the sale of intoxicating liquor for possible revocation or suspension of license.

A person liable for an excise tax of \$240,000 or more during a fiscal year ending June 30 must remit all excise tax liabilities in the subsequent calendar year by means of a funds transfer as defined in section 336.4A-104, paragraph (a). The funds transfer payment date, as defined in section 336.4A-401, must be on or before the date the excise tax is due. If the date the excise tax is due is not a funds transfer business day, as defined in section 336.4A-105, paragraph (a), clause (4), the payment date must be on or before the funds transfer business day next following the date the excise tax is due.

Subd. 6. Informational returns. Manufacturers, wholesalers, and importers licensed to ship distilled spirits or wine into Minnesota shall file with the commissioner a monthly informational report on a form prescribed by the commissioner. No payment of any tax is required to be remitted with this report. The report must be filed on or before the tenth day following the end of each calendar month, regardless of whether or not any shipments were made into Minnesota during the previous month, unless the commissioner determines that a longer filing period is appropriate for a particular manufacturer, wholesaler, or importer. A person failing to file this report is subject to the provisions of section 297C.14, subdivision 8.

**History:** 1991 c 291 art 9 s 29; art 17 s 9

#### 297C.04 PAYMENT OF TAX; MALT LIQUOR.

The commissioner may by rule provide a reporting method for paying and collecting the excise tax on fermented malt beverages. The tax is imposed upon the first sale or importation made in this state by a licensed brewer or importer. The rules must require reports to be filed with and the excise tax to be paid to the commissioner on or before the 18th day of the month following the month in which the importation into or the first sale is made in this state, whichever first occurs. The rules must also require payments in June of 1987 and subsequent years according to the provisions of section 297C.05, subdivision 2.

A distributor who has title to or possession of fermented malt beverages upon which the excise tax has not been paid and who knows that the tax has not been paid, shall file a return with the commissioner on or before the 18th day of the month following the month in which the distributor obtains title or possession of the fermented malt beverages. The return must be made on a form furnished and prescribed by the commissioner, and must contain all information that the commissioner requires. The return must be accompanied by a remittance for the full unpaid liability shown on it.

A licensed brewer, importer, or distributor having an excise tax liability of \$240,000 or more during a fiscal year ending June 30 must remit all excise tax liabilities

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History: 1991 c 291 art 17 s 10

#### 297C.10 ENFORCEMENT.

[For text of subds 1 and 2, see M.S. 1990]

Subd. 3. Physical inventory. The commissioner of revenue or the commissioner's authorized agents may, upon request but not more than twice annually, require a brewer, manufacturer, wholesaler, or retailer to furnish a physical inventory of all wine and distilled spirits in stock. The inventory must contain the information that the commissioner requests and must be certified by an officer of the corporation.

History: 1991 c 291 art 9 s 30