

over-consumption or underage drinking. Tastings by individuals is permitted.

## **6.1.12 MANUFACTURER'S RETAIL STORE GUIDELINES**

### **6.1.12.1 General Guidelines**

- 6.1.12.1.1 The Nova Scotia Liquor Commission may issue a permit and a contract to a Manufacturer to operate one store at its manufacturing plant site or each of its plant sites in Nova Scotia.
- 6.1.12.1.2 No person other than a Manufacturer, the NSLC or their agent will be permitted to engage in the retail sale of liquor in the province of Nova Scotia.
- 6.1.12.1.3 The store is to be owned or leased by the Manufacturer and located and operated at the plant site.
- 6.1.12.1.4 The store must operate under contract between the NSLC and the Manufacturer.
- 6.1.12.1.5 The store may only sell liquor products manufactured or blended and bottled at the plant site and such other related non-alcoholic products as the NSLC may approve.
- 6.1.12.1.6 The store shall engage in on-premises sales only and all sales will be by unopened container.
- 6.1.12.1.7 Stores shall be constructed and maintained at the Manufacturer's expense and in a manner and condition satisfactory to the NSLC.

### **6.1.13 HOURS OF SALE**

6.1.13.1 The Store shall comply with retail closing by-laws of the municipality in which the Store is located and as determined by the NSLC.

## 6.1.14 EMPLOYEES

6.1.14.1 Employees of the store will have no employment relationship whatsoever, direct or indirect, with the NSLC or the Nova Scotia Alcohol & Gaming Authority.

6.1.14.2 The Manufacturer shall comply with all applicable laws respecting employment, health & safety of store employees.

6.1.14.3 All store employees who handle or sell products on the store premises shall be at least the age of majority.

## 6.1.15 PERMIT AND CONTRACT

6.1.15.1 The NSLC will provide a Permit to the store and the Permit shall be displayed in the premises at all times;

6.1.15.2 The NSLC shall enter into a contract with a Manufacturer containing terms and conditions respecting operation of the store.

6.1.15.3 The Manufacturer may terminate the Contract and the Permit to operate a store by giving written notice by registered mail addressed to the General Manager, 93 Chain Lake Drive, Bayers Lake Business Park, Halifax, Nova Scotia B3S 1A5, at least sixty days before the date of the intended termination.

6.1.15.4 The NSLC may terminate the Contract and the appointment to operate a store at any time if, in its opinion, the operation of the store is unsatisfactory or if the Liquor Control Act or the Regulations and directives of the NSLC have been contravened. Notice will be given to the Manufacturer in the manner prescribed in the Contract.

6.1.15.5 The Contract will require the Manufacturer to indemnify the NSLC against all actions, suits, claims, and demands which may be brought against or made upon the NSLC from any loss, costs, charges, damages and expenses which may be incurred, sustained or paid by the NSLC in connection with the store.

## 6.1.16 SALES, PRICING AND LISTING

6.1.16.1 Liquor shall not be sold at a store unless first purchased from the NSLC.

6.1.16.2 Liquor not listed by the NSLC shall be sold at such prices as the NSLC may approve. Approval of the price shall be deemed to be a listing for the store only. Liquor listed by the NSLC shall not be sold for less than the NSLC's approved price.

6.1.16.3 Manufacturers must ensure that products are available in suitable quantities at Manufacturers Retail Store outlets.

6.1.16.4 Manufacturers Retail Stores may not sell liquor to licensees.

## 6.1.17 STORE OPERATIONS

6.1.17.1 The Manufacturer shall make returns to the NSLC on forms prescribed by the NSLC, showing accurately all information required thereon respecting the sale of products, proceeds from such sales, the inventory held in the store, including the monthly inventory report, and any other information which the NSLC may deem necessary.

6.1.17.2 Liquor shall not be consumed on the premises of the store, except as authorized by NSLC policy, or be given away, or, be sold in the storage area of the store.

6.1.17.3 The NSLC may approve a tasting area in the store for which a Hospitality Room Permit is issued.

6.1.17.4 The Manufacturer shall not sell products to a person who is intoxicated.

6.1.17.5 The Manufacturer shall not sell liquor to a person under the legal drinking age of majority.

6.1.17.6 The Manufacturer shall not sell food and beverage for consumption in the store without NSLC approval.

6.1.17.7 The Manufacturer is responsible for the recording and remittance of all Health Services Tax in accordance with the laws of the Province of Nova Scotia and compliance with the Excise Tax Act (Canada).

## 6.1.18 VIEWING AND MEASUREMENT

6.1.18.1 Public observation of the liquor making apparatus through a viewing window in the store is permitted. No one other than the Manufacturer's employees are allowed entry to the manufacturing area except persons touring the plant accompanied by Manufacturer's employees.