

Planning and Zoning Commission – Regulations Text Amendment

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10.20 Farm Winery

10.20.1 Definitions and Standards

A farm winery shall be any place or premises located on a farm that includes at least five (5) acres of vineyards, in which wine is manufactured and sold. Wine shall mean any alcoholic beverage obtained by the fermentation of the natural sugar content of fruits, such as grapes or apples or other agricultural products, containing sugar. A Farm Winery permit issued pursuant hereto shall authorize the sale in bulk by the holder thereof from the premises where the products are manufactured pursuant to such permit and shall authorize the holder thereof to sell from such farm winery premises to a retailer wine manufactured by the farm winery permittee in the original sealed containers of not more than fifteen gallons per container and to sell or deliver such wine or brandy to persons outside the state. A Farm Winery permit issued hereunder shall also authorize: (1) The offering and tasting of free samples of such wine or brandy to visitors and prospective retail customers for consumption on the premises of the farm winery permittee; (2) The selling at retail from the premises sealed bottles or other sealed containers of such wine or brandy for consumption off the premises; and (3) The selling at retail from the premises wine by the glass and bottle to visitors on the premises of the farm winery permittee for consumption on the premises. No Farm Winery permitted hereunder may sell any such wine or brandy not manufactured in such winery. The farm winery permittee shall produce within the state an average crop of fruit equal to not less than twenty-five per cent of the fruit used in the manufacture of the farm winery permittee's wine. An average crop shall be defined each year as the average yield of the farm winery permittee's two largest annual crops out of the preceding five years, except that during the first seven years from the date of issuance of a farm winery permit hereunder, an average crop shall be defined as three tons of grapes for each acre of vineyard farmed by the farm winery permittee. A Farm Winery permitted hereunder shall be subject to the requirements of Section 10.9.3 of these Regulations. (4) To make and sell gelato on the premises in small batches for individual sales at an amount not to exceed thirty (30) gallons.

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