



## Guide to Bonded Space and Separation of Legal Entities

**Changes to your Distillery Store footprint-** Changes to your distillery store footprint, including the addition of new storage or outdoor tasting area must be approved by your ABC Compliance Agent and a drawing of the proposed changes must be submitted to [distillerygroup@virginiaabc.com](mailto:distillerygroup@virginiaabc.com) for record. If the change alters the TTB bonded space, the distiller must also obtain TTB approval and send record of that approval to their ABC Compliance agent.

**Making changes to your TTB bonded space-** The Federally Bonded area should be separate from the Distillery Store area by a physical barrier. These separately licensed areas may not overlap. Changes to the layout of your bonded area must be approved by the TTB. Proof of TTB approval must be provided to your ABC Compliance Agent for approval by Virginia ABC.

**Separation of licensed entities-** The Distillery Store must remain separate (including conducting tastings) from other licensed entities on the property such as a winery, brewery, or cidery. Please ask your compliance agent for guidance for your specific situation.

**Sales to Licensees-** When conducting a sale to a mixed beverage licensee, product must be moved from Federal Bonded space into the Distillery Store before the sale can be made. The inventory movement must be recorded. This practice helps maintain accurate records for Distillery Store sales, inventory movements, and avoiding inventory errors, as well as maintaining the legal boundaries of the sale of alcohol.

### Tied House Rules-

VA Code: <https://law.lis.virginia.gov/admincode/title3/agency5/chapter30/>

TTB: <https://www.ttb.gov/trade-practices/laws-and-regulations>

### Compliance Agent Contacts

Please reach out to your agent with any questions about changes to your space, event licenses, and separation of licensed areas. Your local agent's contact information can be found using the link below!

<https://www.abc.virginia.gov/enforcement/bureau-of-law-enforcement/compliance-unit>