

Bringing your own bottle of wine onto a licensed premises

Licensees or concessionaires may open and serve wine to patrons 21 years of age or older from a sealed bottle brought by the patrons to consume on the premises. This service may not constitute a violation of [16-3-301](#) for the licensee or concessionaire.

Allowed:

- Bringing your own sealed bottle of wine with the licensee's permission. It is not the right of the patron.
- Sealed bottles of wine.
- Licensees or concessionaires may charge a corkage fee.
- Licensees or concessionaires must serve the wine each time the patron wants a refill.
- Patrons may take the rest of the bottle of wine home if they have not consumed the whole bottle of wine.
- Only at establishments with an active on-premises consumption retail license.

Not Allowed:

- No wine in boxes, cans, or other packaging materials.
- No partially full wine bottles may not be allowed on the premises. The bottle of wine must be new and unopened.
- Patrons may not refill wine glasses.
- No liquor or beer products brought by patrons.
- Not at places that do not have an active on-premises consumption retail license.

All licensees must comply with all Federal and Montana alcoholic beverage laws and rules.

SECTIONS [16-3-301](#), [16-6-306](#), MCA

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