

# Liquor License Requirements by License Type



Licenses issued by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board (PLCB) have specific requirements defined by state law and regulations. Below are the license requirements for which licensing analysts will evaluate an establishment's compliance.

## LICENSE REQUIREMENTS BY LICENSE TYPE

|   | Minimum Size of Licensed Premises       | Food & Seating Requirements   | Health License Requirements   | Room Requirements  |
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| <b>Restaurant (R)</b>                                   | 400 sq. ft.                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have at least 30 seats and food* for at least 30 patrons.</li> <li>• Bar stools are acceptable as seating.</li> <li>• Seating may not be stacked.</li> <li>• Must have dishes and silverware to accommodate at least 30 patrons.</li> </ul> | Must have current and valid health license issued by the governing municipal authority. | N/A  |
| <b>Eating Place (E)</b>                                 | 300 sq. ft.                             |   |   | Functioning kitchen or food preparation area must be on-site.  |
| <b>Hotel (H)</b>  | 400 sq. ft.                             |   |   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Functioning kitchen or food preparation area must be on-site.</li> <li>• Hotel rooms must be available for transient guests, unless an exemption waiver was granted.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Distributor (D) &amp; Importing Distributor (ID)</b> | 1,000 sq. ft. (D)<br>2,500 sq. ft. (ID) | N/A   | N/A   | Functioning bathroom must be available for employee use.   |

\* See [Licensee Food Guidelines](#).