

Existing law requires applicants for state and local permits for low and high alcoholic content to meet the following qualifications and conditions:

- (1) Be a person of good character and reputation and over 18 years of age.
- (2) Be a citizen of the U.S. and the state of La. for a certain period of time.
- (3) Be the owner of the premises, have a bona fide written lease therefor, or be a commercial lessor or a noncommercial lessor licensed pursuant to existing law, exclusively for the sole purpose of conducting charitable gaming.
- (4) Have not been convicted of a felony.
- (5) Have not been convicted of soliciting for prostitution, pandering, letting premises for prostitution, contributing to the delinquency of juveniles, keeping a disorderly place, or illegally dealing in controlled dangerous substances.
- (6) Have not had a license or permit to sell or deal in alcoholic beverages revoked within two years prior to the application or been convicted or had a judgment of court rendered against the applicant involving alcoholic beverages for two years prior to the application.
- (7) Have not been adjudged by the commissioner or convicted by a court of violating any of the provisions of existing law.
- (8) Have not been convicted of violating any municipal or parish ordinances adopted pursuant to existing law.
- (9) Not be the spouse of a person who does not meet the requirements of existing law.
- (10) Not owe the state or the local governmental subdivisions in which the application is made any delinquent sales taxes, penalties, or interest.

New law adds a lifetime prohibition against the applicant having a conviction of distribution or possession with intent to distribute any controlled dangerous substance classified as a Schedule I, as defined in existing law, on any premises licensed where the applicant held or holds an interest in the licensed business.

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