

Liquor / Bar Licence Guide

Food Service, Restaurants & Cloud Kitchens

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This guide explains what the tool produces, how to use the output, and what to watch for. The actual output (draft/report) is generated on the tool page.

Background

Produces a guide to obtaining a liquor/bar licence for a restaurant — licence types, eligibility, the state excise process, conditions and costs. Use it to serve alcohol legally. For overall compliance use the Licensing Roadmap.

Purpose of this tool & output

Navigate the state liquor licence

How the output is used

Use the guide to navigate the state liquor licence for serving alcohol.

Who receives it

The State Excise Department.

How to submit / file it

Apply per state excise rules with the premises, NOC and category documents; approvals can be slow.

Fees & charges

High state excise licence fees (vary widely by state and category).

Who should vet it

An excise/liquor-licence consultant.

Important cautions

Liquor licensing is a state subject with hugely varying rules, high fees and strict conditions — some states/areas prohibit alcohol entirely. Costs and eligibility differ sharply by state. Confirm current requirements with the state excise department and a specialist before planning a bar.

Companion documents

- Food Business Licensing Roadmap
- FSSAI Licence Guide (Food Service)
- Health Trade Licence Guide
- Fire NOC & Safety Compliance Guide
- Restaurant GST Setup Guide
- Shops & Establishment Registration Guide

This is AI-assisted guidance. Verify with a qualified professional before any binding decision. Fees, authorities and processes vary by state and change over time — confirm with your state authority.