



Ohio Revised Code

Section 4303.209 F-9 permits to nonprofit corporation for events on park property.

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(A)(1) The division of liquor control may issue an F-9 permit to any of the following:

(a) A nonprofit corporation that operates a park on property leased from a municipal corporation;

(b) A nonprofit corporation that provides or manages entertainment programming pursuant to an agreement with a nonprofit corporation that operates a park on property leased from a municipal corporation;

(c) A nonprofit corporation that provides or manages entertainment programming at a municipal park pursuant to an agreement with the municipal corporation.

An F-9 permit holder may sell beer or intoxicating liquor by the individual drink at specific events conducted within the park property and appurtenant streets, but only if, and only at times at which, the sale of beer and intoxicating liquor on the premises is otherwise permitted by law.

(2) The division may issue separate F-9 permits under division (A)(1)(a), (b), or (c) of this section for the same location to be effective during the same time period. However, the permit privileges may be exercised by only one of the holders of an F-9 permit at specific events. The other holder of an F-9 permit shall certify to the division that it will not exercise its permit privileges during that specific event.

(3) The premises on which an F-9 permit will be used shall be clearly defined and sufficiently restricted to allow proper supervision of the permit's use by state and local law enforcement officers. Sales under an F-9 permit shall be confined to the same hours permitted to the holder of a D-3 permit.

(4) The fee for an F-9 permit is one thousand seven hundred dollars. An F-9 permit is effective for a



period not to exceed nine months as specified in the permit. An F-9 permit is not transferable or renewable. However, the holder of an F-9 permit may apply for a new F-9 permit at any time. The holder of an F-9 permit shall make sales only at those specific events about which the permit holder has notified in advance the division of liquor control, the department of public safety, and the chief, sheriff, or other principal peace officer of the local law enforcement agencies having jurisdiction over the premises.

(B)(1) An application for the issuance of an F-9 permit is subject to the notice and hearing requirements established in division (A) of section 4303.26 of the Revised Code.

(2) The liquor control commission shall adopt rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code necessary to administer this section.

(C) No F-9 permit holder shall sell beer or intoxicating liquor beyond the hours of sale allowed by the permit. This division imposes strict liability on the holder of an F-9 permit and on any officer, agent, or employee of that permit holder.

(D) Nothing in this section prohibits the division from issuing an F-2 permit for a specific event not conducted by the holder of an F-9 permit provided that the holder of the F-9 permit certifies to the division that it will not exercise its permit privileges during that specific event.