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Message from Patrick Whitehead Regarding July 16, 2020 TABC Industry Notice - Temporary Modification of Licensed Premises -

Last night the TABC issued guidance to retail and manufacturing permit holders regarding TABC Form L-TMLP (Temporary Modification of Licensed Premises). See TABC information [here](#).

We know that many wineries have been submitting new diagrams of their permitted premises. The reason that some permit holders might choose to do this would be to allow individuals that have purchased wine to sit on adjoining non-permitted property and consume wine.

Nothing in the language of the memo should be construed as permission for a tasting room to resume service for on-premise consumption. At this time Governor Abbott's [executive order of June 26th](#) remains in place and tasting rooms are only to offer wine for sale for off premise (carry out and delivery). See additional TABC information [here](#) outlining requirements.

If you think your business may benefit by way of modifying your permitted premises, please follow the directives in the memo and contact your [regional TABC office](#).

Please remember that ALL TABC permitted establishments still have an obligation to adhere to state and local occupancy and sanitation guidelines.

TWGGA members, while this may only be of limited benefit to some, please be assured your executive committee and several of our members continue to work *every day* to bring all of our tasting room privileges more in line with those being extended to restaurants. We remain in ongoing dialogue with both the agency, the governor's office and the lawmakers that have stepped up on our behalf.

Respectfully,

Patrick Whitehead, President
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