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Re: Special Order Shipping License and Broker License

You are receiving this letter because the Georgia Department of Revenue has identified you as a holder of a Wine Special Order Shipper license and an Alcohol Broker's license. Georgia rules and regulations state that if you are classified as a Special Order Shipper you must be a Manufacturer (Winery) or a Farm Winery. A Broker you cannot hold a Special Order Shipper License.

You are required to change your license classification for your current Broker's license to one of the below License Types.

Manufacturer - GA Code 3-1-2.14 - **Fee: \$1,000 plus \$100 Initial Investigation Fee**

"Manufacturer" means any maker, producer, or bottler of an alcoholic beverage. The term also means:

- (A) In the case of distilled spirits, any person engaged in distilling, rectifying, or blending any distilled spirits;
- (B) In the case of malt beverages, any brewer; and
- (C) In the case of wine, any vintner.

Farm Winery - GA Code 3-6-21.1 - Fee:\$50 plus \$100 Initial Investigation Fee

"Farm winery" means a winery which makes at least 40 percent of its annual production from agricultural produce grown in the state where the winery is located and:

- (A) Is located on premises, a substantial portion of which is used for agricultural purposes, including the cultivation of grapes, berries, or fruits to be utilized in the manufacture or production of wine by the winery; or
- (B) Is owned and operated by persons who are engaged in the production of a substantial portion of the agricultural produce used in its annual production.

For purposes of this paragraph, the commissioner shall determine what is a substantial portion of such winery premises or agricultural produce.

Please send your response to the email atdiv@dor.ga.gov.