# Chapter 314-21 WAC

## CONTROLLED PURCHASE PROGRAMS

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### WAC 314-21-005 What is an in-house controlled purchase program?
(1) Per RCW 66.44.290, an in-house controlled purchase program is a program that allows retail liquor licensees to use eighteen, nineteen, or twenty year old persons to attempt to purchase alcohol for the purpose of evaluating the licensee's training program regarding the sale of liquor to persons under twenty-one years of age.

(2) The licensee's controlled purchase program must meet the requirements of RCW 66.44.290, WAC 314-21-015, and 314-21-025.

(3) Per RCW 66.44.290, violations occurring under an in-house controlled purchase program may not be used for criminal prosecution or administrative action by the liquor control board.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 66.08.030, 66.44.290. WSR 02-11-030, § 314-21-005, filed 5/7/02, effective 6/7/02.]

### WAC 314-21-015 How can liquor licensees receive approval to conduct an in-house controlled purchase program?
A retail liquor licensee must receive prior written approval from the liquor control board's enforcement and education division before conducting an in-house controlled purchase program.

(1) The board's approval will be based on the licensee submitting a written plan that meets the requirements outlined in RCW 66.44.290 and chapter 314-21 WAC.

(2) It will take up to twenty days for the licensee to receive written approval from the liquor control board's enforcement and education division once the licensee submits a properly completed written request, therefore the licensee must submit his/her request in writing to the board's enforcement and education division at least twenty working days prior to the first controlled purchase program.

(3) The written request must contain:
(a) The location(s) at which the licensee would like to conduct controlled purchase programs.
(b) The name and contact telephone number(s) of the person who will be on the premises supervising the control purchased program, who must be at least twenty-one years of age.
(c) The licensee's written procedures for their in-house controlled purchase program, which must address all of the guidelines in WAC 314-21-025.

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licensee's policies regarding the sale of alcohol during an in-house controlled purchase program.

(10) If a licensee's controlled purchase program fails to meet any of the requirements of RCW 66.44.290, WAC 314-21-015, or 314-21-025, the board may revoke its approval to conduct in-house controlled purchase programs. The licensee may reapply for approval to conduct in-house controlled purchase programs not less than one year following the board's revocation of approval.

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