Offenses that May Result in Refusal, Bar, or Termination of Permitting for Alcohol Beverages

Generally, the department may refuse to permit an initial applicant or bar or terminate from permitting a renewal applicant who was habitually been a law offender or who has been convicted of any felony, the circumstances of which substantially relate to the permitted activity. Wis. Stat. § 111.335(3). This applies to the following alcohol beverage permits:

- Industrial Alcohol
- Industrial Wine
- Medicinal Alcohol
- Out-of-State Shipper of Intoxicating Liquor
- Public Warehouse
- Sacramental Wine
- Limited Manufacturer
- Intoxicating Liquor Wholesaler
- Manufacturer
- Rectifier
- Wholesale Alcohol
- Winery
- Direct Wine Shipper
- Industrial Fermented Malt Beverages
- Out-of-State Shipper of Fermented Malt Beverages
- Fermented Malt Beverages Wholesaler
- Brewer
- Retail "Class B" Airport / Public Facility
- Retail Class "B" Vessel
- Retail "Class B" Vessel
- Retail Class "B" Sports Club
- Retail "Class B" Sports Club
- Brewpub
- Intoxicating Liquor Salesperson

Persons granted permits must act in cooperation with the Department and law enforcement to enforce the alcohol beverage laws, drunk driving laws, and assist with minimizing disturbances of the peace and maintaining the safety of the community. For that reason, examples of offenses that may substantially related to such permits include, but are not limited to:

- Violations of Chapter 125, which regulates alcohol licenses and permits
- Operating while intoxicated
- Manufacturing, distributing, delivering a controlled substance

- Maintaining a drug trafficking place; possessing with intent to manufacture, distribute, or deliver a controlled substance or a controlled substance analog. Sec. 111.335(1)(cs), Wis. Stats.
- Violent crimes against the person of another, including but not limited to battery, disorderly conduct, sexual assault, injury by negligent use of a vehicle, intimidation of victim or witness.
- Crimes involving cooperation (or lack thereof) with law enforcement officials, including but not limited to, resisting or obstructing a police officer, bribery of public officers/employees, eluding police, bail jumping, hit and run, perjury, or acts/threats of terrorism.