

§ 18B-300.3. Possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages in the security-screened area of airports.

(a) During the hours of airport operation, any establishment permitted under subdivision (1), (3), (5), or (10) of G.S. 18B-1000 and operating in the Transportation Security Administration-screened portion of an airport may, with the written approval of the airport authority, sell the alcoholic beverages it is permitted to sell for consumption throughout the Transportation Security Administration-screened portion of the establishment's respective airport terminal.

(b) An alcoholic beverage served for consumption throughout an establishment's airport terminal shall be served in a container that meets all of the following requirements:

- (1) The container is not comprised of glass.
- (2) The container displays, in no less than 12-point font, the statement, "Drink Responsibly - Be 21."
- (3) The container shall not hold more than 16 fluid ounces.

(c) A customer may purchase and consume alcoholic beverages throughout the interior of the Transportation Security Administration-screened portion of the respective airport terminal, provided that the purchase is from an approved establishment permitted under subdivision (1), (3), (5), or (10) of G.S. 18B-1000.

(d) This section applies only to airports that service airplanes boarding at least 150,000 passengers annually. (2024-41, s. 31.)