

**455C.5 Refund value stated on container — exceptions.**

1. *a.* Each beverage container sold or offered for sale in this state by a dealer shall clearly indicate the refund value of the container by embossing or by a stamp, label, or other method securely affixed to the container. The department shall specify, by rule, the minimum size of the refund value indication on the beverage containers.

*b.* The department of revenue shall require the registration of the universal product code for each beverage container using a method of registration determined by the department of revenue.

2. A person, except a distributor, shall not import into this state after July 1, 1979 a beverage container which does not have securely affixed to the container the refund value indication. The provisions of [this subsection](#) do not apply if:

*a.* For beverage containers containing alcoholic liquor as defined in [section 123.3, subsection 4](#), the total capacity of the containers is not more than one quart or, in the case of alcoholic liquor personally obtained outside the United States, one gallon.

*b.* For beverage containers containing beer as defined in [section 123.3, subsection 6](#), the total capacity of the containers is not more than two hundred eighty-eight fluid ounces.

*c.* For all other beverage containers, the total capacity of the containers is not more than five hundred seventy-six fluid ounces.

3. The provisions of [subsections 1 and 2 of this section](#) do not apply to a refillable glass beverage container which has a brand name permanently marked on it and which has a refund value of not less than five cents, to any other refillable beverage container which has a refund value of not less than five cents and which is exempted by the director under rules adopted by the commission, or to a beverage container sold aboard a commercial airliner or passenger train for consumption on the premises.

[C79, 81, §455C.5]

[85 Acts, ch 32, §113](#); [87 Acts, ch 22, §16](#); [2022 Acts, ch 1139, §7, 20](#)

Referred to in [§123.26](#), [455C.4](#), [455C.12](#), [455C.14](#)

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Subsection 1 amended