

# PRE-MADE LIQUOR INFUSIONS

The DABS Commission adopts federal regulations and incorporates them by reference:  
27 CFR 31.201, and 26 USC Section 5301) & R82-5-104

1. Is it legal to Infuse fruits, herbs, and/or spices into large batches for later sale?  
or
2. Infuse herbs or spices etc. into the original alcoholic beverage bottle.



**Nothing can be Infused into these Liquor Bottles**



**NOT LEGAL FOR RETAIL SALES**

- ✓ The answer to the above questions is NO!

**TTB's regulations prohibit pre-bottling of cocktails at restaurants and bars:**

- No re-using or refilling of liquor bottles with any substance whatsoever.
- Additionally, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (IRC), as amended, processing distilled spirits (including mixing) may be conducted only on the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant by a person who maintains a registration as a distilled spirits plant proprietor. (See 26 U.S.C. 5171.)
- Retail licensees such as restaurants and bars are prohibited from intermixing different kinds of products or brands in the liquor bottles from which they are being dispensed.

**FOR RETAILERS:** The simple thing to remember is, if an alcoholic product or beverage cocktail must be pre-mixed, pre-made, infused ahead of time, re-bottled into a different container, or infused into the original liquor bottle, you can't do it.

**Dispense alcohol and mix flavorings only at the time of the alcohol beverage order.**