BAR MANUAL Bartender Training

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INTRODUCTION

Congratulations on your employment. This manual is your foundation for success. It's comprised of our standard operating procedures, guidelines and service sequences outlining our expectations. This framework is designed to streamline bar operations enabling you to produce high-qualitydrinks and deliver superior customer service.

Our bar's success is built on drink making and great bartenders are the foundation. Becoming a great bartender doesn't happen overnight. It requires training, product knowledge and dedication to drink making while embracing teamwork and maintaining integrity. This manual will accelerate your journey. **Read It. Learn It. Live It.** Welcome to our Team.

Let's begin with introductions.

- First name
- Last name
- Where are you from?
- Years bartending
- Where have you bartended?
- What do you like most about bartending?
- What do you find most difficult about bartending?
- Say something funny about yourself

TRAINING CANNOT DEVELOP

- 1. Personality...you either have it or you don't.
- Politeness...you either already say "please" and "thank you" or you don't. 2.
- 3. Integrity...people who steal will and those who don't won't.

TRAINING CAN DEVELOP

- 1. Drink making skills
- 2. Environmental awareness
- Cleaning routines 3.
- Product knowledge 4.
- Professionalism 5.
- Salesmanship 6.
- Drink consistency 7.
- Confidence behind the bar 8.
- 9. Teamwork





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ACCEPTABLE BARTENDING STANDARDS

- Early arrival is on time. On time arrival is late
- Know your schedule
- Clock in and out
- Approve schedule changes through management
- Make schedule requests two weeks in advance
- Request an ID from anyone under the age of 30
- Discontinue service and notify management immediately
- Make eye contact and speak clearly while taking drink orders
- Exceed guest expectations by providing superior service
- Exceed guest expectations by providing high-quality drinks
- Adhere to drink recipes
- Bartend with a sense of urgency
- Secure funds for the house prior to rendering service
- Ring in all drink orders
- Deliver receipts with every transaction
- Zone bartending
- Multi-task
- Clean as you serve
- Keep in mind "customer line of sight"
- Execute "gap placement"
- Be a team player
- Smile...have fun behind the bar

UNACCEPTABLE BARTENDING STANDARDS

- Exceed five percent cash handling variance per \$1,000 in sales
- Ask to be cut early
- Address a low or no tip with a customer
- Serve a visibly intoxicated, underage or non ID customer
- Not acknowledging or purposely making customers wait for service on
- Leaving the bar, during shift, without management approval
- Leaving prior to cleaning and bar inspection
- Not securing funds for the house
- Not providing receipts with every transaction
- Ignoring customers while engaged in conversation with another bartender
- Responding in-kind, antagonizing or engaging customers in an argument
- Telling off-color jokes, using coarse language or making racist remarks
- Storing personal belongings behind the bar
- Texting, receiving or making cell phone calls behind the bar
- Eating, drinking, chewing gum or brushing hair behind the bar
- Coming to work under influence of drugs or alcohol
- Drinking behind the bar
- Running cash tabs
- Not being a team player
- Not zone bartending
- Not cleaning
- Complaining to customers about bar operations, management or co-workers

BARTENDING TECHNIQUES RESULTING IN TERMINATION

- 1. Short ringing pouring call, ringing well and collecting call payment
- 2. Phantom walk off serving drinks, collecting cash payment but requesting management comp for walk off
- 3. Boot legging supplying, pouring and selling liquor not purchased by the bar
- 4. Pouring free drinks
- 5. Short pouring pouring less liquor than the recipe requires in an attempt to offset inventory to cover up free drinks
- 6. Service well collusion working in collusion with servers to manipulate tickets
- 7. Undercharging pouring premium and charging well in exchange for gratuity
- 8. Short changing collecting cash and purposefully returning incorrect change
- 9. Altering credit card receipts adjusting tips or forging customer signatures
- 10. Loading your register
- 11. Ringing off using another bartender's LAVU pin code to sign in, ring up and cash out a phantom transaction shorting their bank
- 12. Marking transactions using paperclips to mark loaded transactions
- 13. Overcharging serving drinks to one customer and charging another customer
- 14. Using a manager's LAVU pin code to perform comps and voids

THREE STRIKES RULE

Strike 1 – Verbal warning

Management issues verbal warnings when a bartender breaks company policy or exhibits unacceptable performance standards. All verbal warnings must be signed by bartenders and management to document discussion.

Strike 2 – Written warning

Management issues a written warning when a bartender continues breaking company policy or exhibiting unacceptable performance standards previously addressed by a verbal warning. All written warnings must be signed by bartenders and management to document discussion.

Strike 3 – Final written warning

Management issues final written warning when a bartender continues breaking company policy or exhibiting unacceptable performance standards previously addressed by a verbal and written warning. All final written warnings must be signed by bartenders and management to document discussion.

- **Termination** occurs when policy breaking and unacceptable performance continues after receiving a verbal warning, written warning and final written warning.
- However, **No Call No Show** and **Bartending Techniques Resulting In Termination** are not subject to verbal warnings, written warnings and final written warnings. They result in **Immediate Termination**.

Our **Three Strikes Rule** is fundamental to our training and development program. It's ok to make mistakes. Three Strikes is not about focusing on mistakes, it's about focusing on growth through documentation and discussion.

PERSONAL APPEARANCE

Your image is our image. The image you create either enhances or detracts from our bar. Every night, 30 minutes prior to opening, management will conduct a bartender pre shift and line up. Bartenders violating our personal appearance policy will be written up and sent home.

- It's your responsibility to clean your uniform
- Wearing a dirty uniform is not acceptable
- Nose rings or facial piercings are not allowed
- Arrive in full uniform. Do not get dressed at work
- Females refrain from wearing glitter make up and perfume
- Females hair washed, styled and pulled back
- Females moderate makeup and jewelry
- Females wear solid color nail polish
- Males well-groomed and clean shaven

BARTENDER UNIFORM

Male uniform

- 1. Black dress pants
- 2. Black dress belt
- 3. Black dress shirt
- 4. Black t-shirt
- 5. Black socks
- 6. Black dress shoes (polished)
- 7. Bar blade

Female uniform

- 1. Black and red corset
- 2. Black dress pants
- 3. Black dress belt
- 4. Black dress boots (polished)
- 5. Bar blade

PRO ACTIVE BARTENDING

We embrace proactive bartending to prevent intoxication. Our goal is to exceed customer expectations by providing superior service and great tasting drinks, not intoxication by over servicing. Serving a visibly intoxicated person is unlawful and it violates our alcohol awareness policy. Bartenders are responsible for recognizing visible signs of intoxication such as;

Excessive drowsiness Slurred speech • Swaying or staggering Lacking focus Difficulty remembering Stumbling gate • Rambling speech Bloodshot or glassy eyes Slow response to questions Overly animated speech ٠ Speaking loudly then quietly No response to questions • Drinking too fast Spilling drinks • Ordering doubles Difficulty handling money • • Careless with money • Difficulty handling credit card • Difficulty handling cell phone Buying drinks for strangers • ٠ • Purposefully annoying Difficulty standing up ٠ Complaining about drink strength Difficulty sitting up straight Difficulty turning corners Excessive cursing • Argumentative or confrontational Bumping into other customers • Aggressive or belligerent Leaning for support Obnoxious or mean spirited Falling down • ٠ Making off color comments Falling asleep • Crude, rude or vulgar Can't find mouth with glass ٠ • Inappropriate sexual advances Disheveled appearance • Making irrational statements Overly friendly • Depressed or sullen Aggressive or territorial ٠ Crying or screaming Aggressive speech Extreme changes in behavior Aggressive body language • Overly entertaining Aggressive eye contact

These signs are not all inclusive. Exhibiting one or two of these behaviors is not always indicative of intoxication. However, exhibiting a combination of these signs strongly indicates intoxication caused by alcohol consumption or drug use.

ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION AND TOLERANCE

- 1. Blood alcohol concentration is the amount of alcohol present in the bloodstream.
- 2. Alcohol goes directly to the bloodstream affecting every system in the body.
- 3. Alcohol is a nervous system depressant.
- 4. A 12-ounce beer, 5-ounce glass of wine and 1.5 ounce shot of liquor all has the same amount of alcohol.
- 5. It takes less than three drinks to affect motor skills and coordination.
- 6. The presence of food in the stomach slows the alcohol absorption rate.
- 7. Vomiting is a defense system to prevent more alcohol from being absorbed.
- 8. Mood changes occur when blood alcohol levels are between .02 g/100ml to .08.
- 9. Passing out and unresponsiveness are signs of alcohol poisoning. Call 911.
- 10. Blackouts are often associated with heavy drinking. During blackouts, a person may seem coherent but later have no recollection of events.
- 11. Blackouts are less likely to occur when blood alcohol levels rise slowly.
- 12. Women absorb alcohol into the bloodstream faster than men.
- 13. Women metabolize alcohol slower than men.



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With The Proper Systems and Procedures In Place, Your Business Will Start Working For You, Instead Of You Always Having To Work For Your Business.



ALCOHOL AWARENESS POLICY

Our alcohol awareness policy is simple and straightforward. We deny entrance to visibly intoxicated customers, under age minors and guests unable to provide valid ID. Our door staff is well trained and strictly enforces our alcohol awareness policy. Bartenders are prohibited from serving visibly intoxicated customers, under age minors or customers unable to produce ID. Our alcohol awareness policy promotes responsible service and encourages responsible drinking.

BARTENDER ALCOHOL AWARENESS SERVICE SEQUENCE

- Adhere to drink recipes and pour counts
- Recognize visible intoxication signs
- Monitor behavior and consumption
- Discontinue or deny service
- Notify management immediately
- Assist management in closing tab
- Provide witness statement

MANAGEMENT ALCOHOL AWARENESS RESPONSE SEQUENCE

- Confirm bartender observations
- Engage customer and discuss observations
- Resolve by cutting off
- Assist customer with closing tab
- Escort customer to the door
- Arrange safe ride
- Collect witness statement
- Complete incident report
- Xerox copy of customer tab

WORKING THE BAR

BARTENDER SEQUENCE OF SERVICE

- 1. Greet guests as they approach the bar.
- 2. Place a cocktail napkin down and take their drink order.
- 3. Upsell when the customer does not specify pouring brand.
- 4. Quote the price and secure funds for the house.
- 5. Make drinks according to our recipes.
- 6. Deliver drinks and receipt to the customer.
- 7. Say thank you, invite back and say goodbye.
- 1. Greet guests as they approach the bar. Immediately, while making eye contact and with a smile, greet the guest by saying, "welcome to our bar, my name is, and I will be taking care of you." If you are not in proximity to greet the guest, acknowledge their arrival with eye contact and a hand gesture.
- 2. Place a cocktail napkin down and take their drink order. Placing a cocktail napkin down, while taking a drink order, indicates the guest has been greeted letting other bartenders and management know service is being rendered.
- 3. Upsell when customer does not specify brand by name. Always upsell each time a customer places a drink order but does not specify a pouring brand. For example, when a customer orders a vodka tonic respond by saying, "Would you like Absolut or Stoli"?
- 4. **Quote price and secure funds for the house**. Upon receiving a drink order, after attempting to upsell, quote a price then secure funds for the house. Always secure payment before making drinks. Close cash payments immediately or pre-auth a credit card.
- 5. Make drinks according to our recipes. Begin by icing glassware to capacity but do not breech the rim. Always use a jigger and make drinks according to recipe then garnish accordingly. If you are not sure how to make a drink, ask another bartender or ask the customer. Telling the customer "no" or "I don't know" is not an option. It's better to ask and learn than remake and comp.
- 6. **Deliver drinks and receipt to customer**. Deliver by making eye contact and calling out drinks by name or brand. Always, place drinks on a cocktail napkin and provide a receipt. Attempt to serve ladies first. Never deliver by gripping glassware rim.
- 7. Say thank you, invite back and say goodbye. Address the customer by name.

WORKING THE BAR

UP SELLING

When a customer places a drink order, without specifying specific liquor, respond by offering brand names or up selling. For example;

- Customer order: I'll have a screwdriver.
- Bartender response: Would you like Absolut or Stoli?
- Requires product knowledge and pricing
- Takes less than 3 seconds
- Increases average check per person

SUGGESTIVE SELLING



Quite often, new customers are unfamiliar with our bar where as regular customers might not be familiar with our entire product line or night of the week specials. Making brand suggestions and providing drink information is your responsibility.

- Always allow customers to finish ordering before making suggestions
- People buy with their eyes, use bottles as props
- Avoid over selling
- Monitor voice inflection
- Avoid sounding like a robot
- Ensure guests understand what you are pouring

TERMINOLOGY

- Up refers to chilling then straining into glassware containing no ice
- Back refers to serving an additional mixer on the side
- Dirty means add olive juice
- Dash means a few drops
- Neat means poured into glassware with no ice
- Rocks means served over ice
- Splash refers to splash of water when pouring whiskey, bourbon or scotch
- Shaken refers to filling a shaker tin with ice and shaking until chilled
- Top shelf refers to super premium brands
- Training wheels refers to serving salt and lime with tequila
- Well refers to house brand spirits located in service well speed rail

REGISTER OPERATIONS

Each bartender will be issued a LAVU pin code. Do not disclose your pin code to anyone and never use another bartender's pin code. Each terminal is positioned beneath a camera. Each camera is recording and scrolling real time keystrokes monitoring every transaction.

You will be issued a \$600 bank and assigned a LAVU terminal with an individual cash drawer every shift. Never let anyone use your register and do not use another bartender's register. Sharing cash drawers and co mingling banks is strictly prohibited.

Each bar has four tip jars located on each back bar. Do not relocate or reposition these jars. Back bar tip jar placement provides tremendous distance between registers and tip jars. This prolonged distance helps everyone distinguish transactions from tips.

- Never make change with tip money
- Always ask management to break large bills
- Never remove money from tip jars during operating hours
- Do not pull tip jars until management conducts bar inspection
- Never count tips alone

PAYMENT METHODS

CASH

Immediately close all cash transactions. We do not run cash tabs.

CREDIT CARDS

- 1. We accept Visa, Master Card and American Express.
- 2. We do not accept money cards or pre loaded gift cards.
- 3. Always match credit cards with an ID to prevent identity theft.
- 4. Always pre-auth and return credit cards and ID.
- 5. Never hold onto credit card or ID.

CASH HANDLING

Good bartenders reduce transaction times by getting in and out of their register as fast as possible. Great bartenders reduce transaction times by getting in and out of their register, as fast as possible, while accurately handling cash and making fewer mistakes. Our bar holds each bartender individually responsible for cash handling.

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CASH HANDLING SEQUENCE

- 1. Quote drink order total.
- 2. Receive cash.
- 3. Count back bills or state denomination to the customer.
- 4. Immediately go to the register and ring in the drink order.
- 5. Press cash on the check out screen.
- 6. Place cash in drawer, make change and shut drawer.
- 7. Tear the receipt from the printer.
- 8. Hand-deliver change and receipt.
- 9. Count back change.
- 10. Prepare drinks.

CREDIT CARD PREAUTHORIZATION

- Bartenders are required to pre-auth tabs before rendering service
- Always request identification prior to pre-auth
- Do not pre-auth if ID and credit card information doesn't match
- Request matching ID or cash payment
- Swipe credit card with magnetic strip facing down through LAVU card reader
- LAVU will open and auto-populate a tab using the last name on the credit card
- Ring in the drink order and press save. Saving automatically prints a receipt
- Return the credit card and deliver a receipt prior to making drinks

CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FOR TOTAL AMOUNT

Credit card authorization for total amount increases the preauthorization by charging the guest check total amount to the credit card. Full authorization requires pressing the credit button not save and print. Save and print does not authorize a credit card. All it does is save and print a check. Checks cannot close until fully authorized.

Authorization For Total Amount Sequence

- 1. Open tab and go to check out screen.
- 2. Press credit and pop up box will appear.
- 3. Pop up will ask, "Do you want to fully authorize this check?"
- 4. Press yes and LAVU will print merchant, customer and itemized receipts.

GUEST CHECK PRESENTATION AND DELIVERY

- Place the merchant copy on top of the customer receipt
- Place both inside right pocket of the guest check presenter
- Place the itemized copy inside the left pocket of the guest check presenter
- Close and deliver the check presenter with a pen
- Ask the customer to sign the top copy while making eye contact and smiling

GUEST CHECK RETRIEVAL

Depending on volume, continue taking orders and making drinks while the customer signs the credit card receipt. Make yourself available, if the customer has a question or pen fails to write.

After the customer signs and closes the check presenter;

- 1. Retrieve the check.
- 2. Ensure the merchant copy has been signed.
 - Tip line tips exceeding 100% of total require management signature
 - Total line must be calculated correctly
 - Signature must be legible
- 3. Place the signed merchant copy in your bank bag.
- 4. Add tips and close checks at the end of your shift.
- 5. Do not close checks during your shift.

THANK YOU

After retrieving the signed guest check.

- 1. Say thank you, make eye contact and address the customer by name.
- 2. Invite back citing specific example of when and why to return.
 - "Please come back next Saturday. I'll be working the main bar."
 - "Please come back at 6pm on Friday for Power Hour."
 - "Please come back for Happy Hour on Thursday for \$2.50 domestic bottles."
- 3. Say goodbye.

CREDIT CARD TIP POLICY

There are no exceptions to our credit card tip policy. Management will audit your credit card receipts every shift to ensure charged tips are correct.

- 1. Tip line must be filled in.
 - Blank tip line = No tip charged to the credit card
- 2. Total line must be calculated correctly.
 - Blank total line = No tip charged to the credit card
 - Total line not calculated correctly = No tip charged to the credit card

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- 3. Legible signature.
 - Blank or illegible signature = No tip charged to the credit card



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COMPS

All comps must be rung in, printed and delivered to management for signature prior to drink preparation. You will never be reprimanded for requesting management comp signatures. It's their job to sign comp receipts but it's your responsibility to collect signatures.

VOIDS

Voids are administrative mistakes, such as miss rings and over rings, not affecting inventory. All administrative mistakes must be voided and signed by management. Do not split checks and ring off voids.

Void Sequence

- 1. Re-ring the mistake.
- 2. Circle the mistake on the original receipt.
- 3. Provide void reason on the original receipt.
- 4. Provide the re-rung check number on the original receipt.
- 5. Request management void and signature
- 6. Staple voided receipt to closed out check

MAKE COPIES

At the end of your shift;

- Copy and staple all of your signed comps and voids
- Deliver signed comp and void copies when closing out
- Failure to produce management signature is a strike
- Forging management signatures results in termination

CATEGORY AND PRICING

- Well = \$4.00
- Call = \$5.00
- Premium = \$6.00
- Super = \$7.00
- Super Premium = \$8.00
- Deluxe = 9.00
- Deluxe Premium = 10.00
- Domestic Beer = \$5.00
- Import Beer = 6.00
- Wine = \$6.00
- Champagne = \$6.00
- Multi liquor drinks with three liquors = \$8.00
- Red Bull = 2.00
- Doubles are true double pricing

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The True Science In Operating A Successfull Bar Or Nightclub Is -Hire A Qualified Professional Or Purchase The Necessary Tools To Be Able To Do It Yourself



Vodka	Price	Tier
Absolut	\$7.00	Super
Absolut Citron	\$7.00	Super
Absolut Mandarin	\$7.00	Super
Absolut Pepper	\$7.00	Super
Absolut Vanilla	\$7.00	Super
Crystal Head	\$9.00	Deluxe
Depp Eddy	\$5.00	Call
Deep Eddy Cranberry	\$5.00	Call
Deep Eddy Lemon	\$5.00	Call
Deep Eddy Ruby	\$5.00	Call
Deep Eddy Tea	\$5.00	Call
Dripping Springs	\$5.00	Call
Frio Texas	\$5.00	Call
Grey Goose	\$8.00	Super Premium
Ketel One	\$7.00	Super
Smirnoff Cherry	\$5.00	Call
Smirnoff Grape	\$5.00	Call
Smiths	\$5.00	Call
Starlight	\$5.00	Call
Stoli	\$6.00	Premium
Stoli Orange	\$6.00	Premium
Stoli Razz	\$6.00	Premium
Stoli Vanilla	\$6.00	Premium
Takka	\$4.00	Well
Texas Tail	\$5.00	Call
Titos	\$6.00	Premium
Troubadour	\$5.00	Call
Western Son	\$5.00	Call
Western Son Blueberry	\$5.00	Call
Western Son Pear	\$5.00	Call
GIN	Price	Tier
Hendricks	\$8.00	Super Premium
Tanqueray	\$7.00	Super
Takka	\$4.00	Well

Tequila	Price	Tier
1800 Reposado	\$7.00	Super
Jose Cuervo Gold	\$5.00	Call
Don Julio Blanco	\$9.00	Deluxe
Dulche Vida Blanca	\$9.00	Deluxe
Herrdura Reposado	\$9.00	Deluxe
Patron Anejo	\$9.00	Deluxe
Patron Silver	\$9.00	Deluxe
Torrado Gold	\$4.00	Well
Republic Texas	\$9.00	Deluxe
Rum	Price	Tier
Bacardi Silver	\$5.00	Call
Captain Morgan	\$6.00	Premium
Malibu	\$5.00	Call
Ron Pontabo	\$4.00	Well
BOURBON / WHISKEY	Price	Tier
1792	\$7.00	Super
Bookers	\$9.00	Deluxe
Buffalo Trace	\$6.00	Premium
Bulleit	\$8.00	Super Premium
Crown	\$7.00	Super
Fireball	\$6.00	Premium
Herman Marshall	\$9.00	Deluxe
Herman Marshall Rye	\$9.00	Deluxe
Jack Daniels	\$6.00	Premium
Jim Beam	\$5.00	Call
Knob Creek	\$8.00	Super Premium
Makers Mark	\$7.00	Super
Rebecca Creek	\$8.00	Super Premium
Seagram's 7	\$5.00	Call
Silver Star	\$7.00	Super
Southern Comfort	\$5.00	Call
ТХ	\$8.00	Super Premium
Woodford Reserve	\$8.00	Super Premium
Samuels	\$4.00	Well

IRISH	Price	Tier
Bushmills	\$7.00	Super
Jameson	\$7.00	Super
Tullamore Dew	\$6.00	Premium
Scotch	Price	Tier
Dewar's	\$7.00	Super
Glenlivet 12	\$9.00	Deluxe
J&B	\$6.00	Premium
JW Black	\$8.00	Super Premium
Cordials	Price	Tier
Baileys	\$6.00	Premium
Goldschlager	\$6.00	Premium
Grandmariner	\$8.00	Super Premium
Jager	\$6.00	Premium
Midori	\$5.00	Call
Rumchata	\$5.00	Call
Rumpleminz	\$6.00	Premium
Tuaca	\$6.00	Premium
Beer	Price	Tier
Bud Light	\$4.00	Domestic
Budweiser	\$4.00	Domestic
Coors Light	\$4.00	Domestic
Miller Lite	\$4.00	Domestic
Mich Ultra	\$4.00	Domestic
Dos XX	\$5.00	Import
Corona	\$5.00	Import
Corona Light	\$5.00	Import
Wine	Price	Tier
CK Chardonnay	\$6.00	House
CK Merlot	\$6.00	House
CK Cabernet	\$6.00	House
CK Zinfandel	\$6.00	House
Wine	Price	Tier
Andre	\$6.00	House

WELL SET UP

THE WELL

We have eight service wells. Each well is strategically placed and set up to streamline drink production. Each well has identical bottle placement. All wells have double speed rails consisting of a top rail and bottom rail. Bottle placement is labeled inside each rail.

Top Rail From Right To Left

- 1. Takka Vodka
- 2. Takka Gin
- 3. Ron Rio Rum
- 4. Finest Call triple sec
- 5. Finest Call lime juice
- 6. Finest Call grenadine

Bottom Rail From Right To Left

- 7. Absolut
- 8. Tanqueray
- 9. Bacardi Silver
- 10. Jack Daniels
- 11. Jim Beam
- 12. Crown Royal

WELL SET UP

- Three ice buckets per well
- Two drink mats on the bar top centering the well
- Four rail mats on the bar rail centering the well
- Two shaker tins, rim down, on the right side of the drink mat
- Two strainers on the right rail mat directly above the soda gun
- One ice scoop handle up in the ice
- One fruit tray to the right of the drink mat
- One napkin caddy, filled to capacity, left of the drink mat
- One sugar and salt rimmer, filled to capacity, beside the napkin caddy
- One lined garbage can to the right of the well

BACK BAR SET UP

BACK BAR BOTTLE PLACEMENT DIAGRAM

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42
43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56

- 1 Bushmills
- 2 Jameson
- 3 Tullamore Dew
- 4 Dewars
- 5 Glenlivett 12
- 6 J&B
- 7 JW Black
- 8 1800
- 9 Cuervo Gold
- 10 Don Julio Blanco
- 11 Herradura
- 12 Patron Anejo
- 13 Patron Silver
- 14 Republic
- 15 1792
- 16 Bookers
- 17 Buffalo Trace
- 18 Herman Marshall
- 19 Herman Marshall Rye
- 20 Knob Creek
- 21 Makers Mark
- 22 Rebecah Creek
- 23 Seagram's 7
- 24 Silver Star
- 25 тх
- 26 Woodford Reserve
- 27 Hendricks
- 28 Tanqueray

- 29 Absolut
- 30 Absolut Citron
- 31 Absolut Mandrin
- 32 Absolut Pepper
- 33 Absolut Vanilla
- 34 Crystal Head
- 35 Deep Eddy
- 36 Deep Eddy Cran
- 37 Deep Eddy Lemon
- 38 Deep Eddy Ruby
- 39 Deep Eddy Tea
- 40 Dripping Springs
- 41 Frio Texas
- 42 Grey Goose
- 43 Ketel One
- 44 Smirnoff Cherry
- 45 Smirnoff Grape
- 46 Smiths
- 47 Starlight
- 48 Stoli
- 49 Stoli Orange
- 50 Stoli Razz
- 51 Stoli Vanilla
- 52 Texas Tail
- 53 Titos
- 54 Troubadour
- 55 Western Blueberry
- 56 Western Pear

BACK BAR SET UP

- 1. Back bar bottle risers are labeled.
- 2. Laminated diagrams are behind the bar.
- 3. Bottle placement mirrors the diagram.
- 4. There should never be gaps between bottles.
- 5. Close gaps by replenishing bottle (gap placement).
- 6. Labels facing out.
- 7. Pour spouts facing right.

There is a place for every bottle. However, that place isn't wherever you decide to leave it. Our bars are designed for speed and efficiency. Every well, speed rail and back bar has identical bottle placement. Pour and return bottles to their designated location. There is nothing more frustrating than reaching for a bottle and grasping air.

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Don't Turn Your Back On A Failing Business Turn To The Bar Experts



PREPARING DRINK ORDERS

DRINK MAKING

- 1. Retrieve, set up and group glassware according to liquor.
 - Never retrieve glassware by the rim. Always grip the base or stem
 - Grouping, same liquor glassware side by side expedites production
- 2. Ice glassware to capacity but do not breach the rim.
 - Never use glassware as an ice scoop. Always use the ice scoop
 - Failing to ice glassware to capacity produces a weaker drink
 - Less ice doesn't equal more liquor. Less ice equals more mix
 - More mix melts ice quicker causing drinks to become watered down
- 3. Always bartend using both hands.
 - One hand pouring and one hand holding the jigger
 - Hold the jigger slightly above glassware or shaker tin
 - Never free pour. Always use a jigger
- 4. Prepare entire order before distributing drinks.
- 5. Preparation is not complete without garnish and stir straw.

Collectively setting up, grouping and icing glassware streamlines drink production where as making one drink at a time exponentially slows service.

Employ a stir straw technique when faced with a large drink order comprised of similar drinks, in identical glassware with the same garnish, but different mixers or possibly different liquors.

Use one stir straw for Coke, two for Diet Coke and three to identify specific liquor. The key to marking drinks is to always use the same amount of straws to identify the same mixer or certain liquor.

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PREPARING DRINK ORDERS

DRINK SERVICE AND DELIVERY

Always place a cocktail napkin in front of each customer. Napkin placement notifies bartenders and management customers have been approached and are receiving service.

- Serve ladies first
- Handle glassware by base or stem, never by the rim
- Place drinks on napkin used to mark service
- Replace soiled napkins
- Call out drinks by name or pouring brand
- Make eye contact and speak clearly
- Multi-task by cleaning the bar top while delivering drinks
- Conclude delivery by asking, "Can I get you anything else?"
- Attempt a reorder prior to drink completion
- Ask for reorder by product name, "Can I get you another Jack and Coke?"
- Replace the customer's cocktail napkin upon reorder
- Discard the empty glass and napkin together, replace cocktail napkin
- Provide the type of service you would like to receive if you were across the bar

BARTENDER TRANSACTION TIME

- 1. Meet, greet and seat the customer
- 2. Take drink order
- 3. Attempt up sell
- 4. Quote price
- 5. Secure funds for the house
- 6. Close cash tab or preauthorize credit card
- 7. Return credit card and ID.
- 8. Drink production
- 9. Drink and receipt delivery

CUSTOMER TRANASCTION TIME

Customer transaction time is skewed by the customer's perception of service received not the actual time elapsed during the transaction. Although both transactions are identical, the customer's perception can be manipulated.

- Never under estimate the power of eye contact and a smile
- Immediately acknowledge customers as they approach the bar
- Remember and call out drink orders as customers approach for 2nd round
- Always attempt a reorder prior to drink depletion

ANATOMY OF A COCKTAIL

Customer expectations demand drink consistency each round. In order to achieve consistency and exceed customer expectations, we codified our recipes including;

- Glassware
- Ice
- Garnishes

PROPER GLASSWARE

Each recipe includes specific glassware instructions. Using specific glassware ensures consistent liquor to mixer ratios while providing the flair required for presentation. Prior to tasting, customers can be visually stimulated into consumption.

DIRTY GLASSWARE

A drink is destroyed and presentation is purposeless when drinks are created then served in dirty, chipped, cracked or broken glassware. Each bar is equipped with a glass washing machine. A 3rd dish machine is located in the kitchen.

GLASSWARE RULES

- Always use prescribed glassware
- Discard all broken, cracked or chipped glassware
- Never use glassware as an ice scoop
- Never re-use glassware upon reorder
- Always serve room temperature glassware
- Never use glassware straight out of the dishwasher. It's not room temperature.
- Never place glassware in ice bins
- Never chill glassware by placing and spinning inside ice bin

ANATOMY OF A COCKTAIL

ICE

Ice should be translucent and hard. Ensure ice beneath the soda gun remains translucent. Soda lines can disconnect from the holster resulting in contaminated ice due to drainage. If this occurs, immediately reattach the drain line, burn your well, and replenish with new ice.

- Ice must remain dry. If your well begins to hold standing water, burn your well and check the drain for debris obstructing drainage
- Ice must be clean and remain contaminate free. Never store anything in your ice bin other than an ice scoop with its handle facing out. Keep bottles, speed pourers, fruit trays and red bull cans out of the ice bin
- Fill glassware to capacity with ice but do not breech the rim
- Use new ice when making a new drink
- Discard old ice along with used glassware
- Immediately burn your ice if glass breaks in proximity to your well. Do not attempt to find and remove broken glass from your ice
- Use ice scoops when handling ice, never hands, glassware or shaker tins
- Place ice scoops shovel down with handle facing up
- Never contaminate ice by storing liquor bottles in the well

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ANATOMY OF A COCKTAIL

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Garnishes

Correctly garnishing a drink enhances its appearance while elevating its appeal. However, when done incorrectly, becomes a distraction sometimes making drinks difficult to consume. Our recipes include garnishes and we expect all drinks be garnished before going across the bar. Drinks are not complete until garnished.

- 1. Always wash fruit with cold water before cutting.
- 2. Always cut fruit with clean knife and cutting board.
- 3. Always cut fruit to garnish specifications.

Orange slices

- Cut off the ends
- Cut in half
- Lay on side
- Cut 1" deep from end to end
- Turn over and cut 3/8" slices from side to side
- Par level 18 oranges

Lemon wedges

- Cut off the ends
- Cut in half.
- Cut a1" slit across 1/2" deep
- Cut each half into 6 even wedges
- Par level 42 lemons

Lime wedges

- Cut off the ends
- Cut in half
- Cut a 1" slit across ¹/₂ " deep
- Cut each half into 6 even wedges
- Par level 60 limes
- 1. Store cut fruit in containers with corresponding color lid.
- 2. Discard fruit trays at closing. Cut new fruit daily to ensure freshness.

SHOT RECIPES

			Ingredients	Ounces
Price		1	Absolut	0.5
\$8.00	Absolut Bitch	2	Baileys	0.25
\$0.00		3	Kahlua	0.25
		4	Tuaca	0.25
			Ingredients	Ounces
Price		1	Absolut Citron	1.25
\$8.00	Anti Freeze	2	Midori	0.25
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			Ingredients	Ounces
Price		1	Jager	1.25
\$7.00	Barney on Acid	2	Blue Curacao	0.25
	·	3	Cranberry	Splash
			Ingredients	Ounces
Price		1	Grandmariner	1.25
\$8.00	B - 52	2	Baileys	0.5
		3	Kahlua	0.5
			Ingredients	Ounces
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			Ingredients	Ounces
Price		1	Western Blueberry	1.25
\$5.00	Blueberry Muffin	2	Rumchata	.25
\$5.00		3	Butterscotch	0.25
			Ingredients	Ounces
Price		1	Jameson	1.25
\$7.00	Breakfast	2	Butterscotch	0.5
\$1100		3	Orange Juice	Splash
Price			Ingredients	Ounces
\$6.00	Buttery Nipple	1	Butterscotch	1.25
		2	Baileys	0.25
			Ingredients	Ounces
Price		1	Takka Vodka	1.25
\$5.00	Cherry Bomb	2	Grenadine	0.25
	·	3	Red Bull	Splash
			Ingredients	Ounces
Price		1	Stoli	1.25
\$7.00	Chocolate Cake	2	Frangelico	0.25
		3	Lemon wedge	Sugar
			Ingredients	Ounces
Price		1	Fireball	1.25
\$6.00	Cinnamon Toast Crunch	2	Rumchata	0.25
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Price		1	Crown Royal	1.25
\$8.00	Crown Bomb	2	Amaretto	0.5
		3	Red Bull	Splash
		4	Sweet and Sour	Splash

SHOT RECIPES

			Ingredients	Ounces
Price		1	Takka Vodka	1.25
\$5.00	Gummy Bear	2	Peach Schnapps	0.25
\$5.00	Guinny Dear	3	Pineapple	Splash
		3	Sprite	Splash
Price			Ingredients	Ounces
\$7.00	Jager Bomb	1	Jager	1.25
\$7.00	Jager Domb	2	Red Bull	Splash
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Price		1	Patron	1.25
\$9.00	Johnny Vegas	2	Watermelon	0.5
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		4	Cranberry	Splash
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Price		1	Absolut Citron	1.25
\$7.00	Lemon Drop	2	Sweet and Sour	Splash
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Price		1	Jager	0.5
		2	Rumpleminz	0.5
\$8.00	Liquid Cocaine		1	

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Sprite

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Splash
			Ingredients	Ounces
		1	Takka Vodka	0.25
		2	Takka Gin	0.25
Price		3	Ron Tablo Rum	0.25
£9.00		4	Triple Sec	0.25
\$8.00	AMF	5	Blue Curacao	0.25
		6	Sweet and Sour	Fill
		7	Sprite	Splash
		8	Collins	Glass
		9	Cherry	Garnisł
			Ingredients	Ounce
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\$8.00	Bahama Mamma	3	Bacardi Silver	0.25
		4	Pineapple	Fill
		5	Orange	Fill
		6	1/2 orange	Squeeze
		7	Grenadine	Float
		8	Collins	Glass
		9	3 Cherries	Garnisl
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		1	Absolut Pepper	1.25
р.		2	Zing Zang	Fill
Price		2 3	Zing Zang Worcestershire	Fill 3 dash
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			Ingredients	Ounces
		1	Bacardi Silver	1.25
		2	Myers Rum	0.25
Price		3	Orange	Fill
\$8.00	Hurricane	4	Cranberry	Fill
\$0.00	nurricane	5	Lime	Splash
		6	Grenadine	Splash
		7	Collins	Glass
		8	Orange	Garnish
			Ingredients	Ounces
		1	Captain Morgan	0.5
		2	Malibu	0.5
Price		3	Midori	0.25
\$8.00	Liquid Marijuana	4	Blue Curacao	0.25
\$0.00		5	Pineapple	Fill
		6	Sweet and Sour	Splash
		7	Collins	Glass
			Ingredients	Ounces
		1	Takka Vodka	0.25
		2	Takka Gin	0.25
		3	Rontablo Rum	0.25
Price		4	Triple Sec	0.25
60 00	Long Island	5	Sweet and Sour	Fill
\$8.00	Long Island	6	Coke	Float
		7	Collins	Glass
		8	Lemon	Garnish
			Ingredients	Ounces
Price	\checkmark	1	Bacardi Silver	0.5
\$8.00	Mai Tai	2	Myers	0.5
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		5	Orange	Fill
			Pineapple	Fill
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Collins

Orange

Glass

Garnish

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			Ingredients	Ounces
Price		1	Cuervo Gold	1.25
\$6.00	Margarita	2	Triple Sec	0.25
30.00	iviai gai ita	3	Sweet and Sour	Fill
		4	Rocks	Glass
		5	Lime	Garnish
			Ingredients	Ounces
Price		1	Takka Vodka	1.25
\$4.00	Screwdriver	2	Orange	Fill
54.00	Screwariver	3	Rocks	Glass
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Price		1	Takka Vodka	1.25
\$4.00	Sex on the Beach	2	Peach Schnapps	0.25
		3	Cranberry	Fill
		4	Orange	Fill
		5	Rocks	Glass
		6	Orange	Garnish
			Ingredients	Ounces
		1	Stoli Razz	0.5
	4 67 9 7	2	Stoli Orange	0.5
Price		- 3	Triple Sec	0.25
		4	Cranberry	Fill
\$8.00	G2	5	Pineapple	Fill
		7	Collins	Glass
		8	Cherry	Garnish
			Ingredients	Ounces
Price	/	1	Jack Daniels	1.25
\$6.00	Lynchburg Lemonade	2	Lemonade	Fill
\$0.00	Lynchburg Lemonade	3	Rocks	Glass
		4	Cherry	Garnish
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			Ingredients	Ounces
Price		1	Cuervo Gold	1.25
\$6.00	Tequila Sunrise	2	Orange	Fill
		3	Grenadine	Float
		4	Collins	Glass
		5	Cherry	Garnish

			Ingredients	Ounces
		1	Stoli Orange	1.25
		2	Disaronno	0.25
Price		3	Tangerine Puree	Fill
\$10.00	Tangerine Crush	4	Sprite	Тор
\$10.00		5	Collins	Glass
		6	Tangerine	Garnish
			Ingredients	Ounces
		1	Makers Mark	1.25
		2	Blackberry Pure	0.25
Price		3	Raspberry Pure	Fill
\$10.00	Berry Maker	4	Cranberry	Splash
\$10.00	Derry Marci	6	Rocks	Glass
		8	Frozen Bluberry	Garnish
			Ingredients	Ounces
		1	Stoli Blueberry	1.25
Price		3	Lemonade	Fill
\$10.00	Stoli Smurf	4	Blueberry Pure	Splash
\$10.00	Ston Smull	6	Collins	Glass
		8	Blueberries	Garnish
			Ingredients	Ounces
		1	Crown Royal	1.25
Price				
Frice		2	Disarano	0.25
	Roya) Labstar	2 3	Disarano Cranberry	0.25 Fill
\$10.00	Royal Lobster			
	Royal Lobster	3	Cranberry	Fill
	Royal Lobster	3 4	Cranberry Rocks	Fill Glass
	Royal Lobster	3 4	Cranberry Rocks Cherry	Fill Glass Garnish
	Royal Lobster	3 4 5	Cranberry Rocks Cherry Ingredients	Fill Glass Garnish Ounces
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\$10.00	Royal Lobster Buffalo Peach	3 4 5 1 2	Cranberry Rocks Cherry Ingredients Buffalo Trace Peach Puree	Fill Glass Garnish Ounces 1.25 Fill
\$10.00 Price	82	3 4 5 1 2 3	Cranberry Rocks Cherry Ingredients Buffalo Trace Peach Puree Sprite	Fill Glass Garnish Ounces 1.25 Fill Splash
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SERVICE WELL

COCKTAIL SERVER RESPONSIBILITIES

Operating a dedicated service well requires teamwork. Cocktail servers and bartenders must work in tandem to ensure seamless drink production, presentation and delivery.

COCKTAIL SERVER RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE

- Providing table service
- Taking drink orders
- Ringing drinks
- Delivering drinks
- Securing funds for the house

SERVICE WELL BARTENDER RESPONSIBILITIES

- Drink preparation
- Garnishing
- Providing drink information
- Assisting cocktail servers with product knowledge and pricing
- Assisting management with server comp and void explanations

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OPENING SHIFT RESPONSIBILITIES

The two opening bartenders are the designated service well bartenders. They are responsible for setting up service wells and preparing the bar to open and operate.

- 1. Cut fruit and distribute eight fruit trays.
- 2. Remove well, speed rail, and back bar pour spout covers.
- 3. Set up primary and back up glassware stations.
- 4. Bleed soda guns to rid lines of overnight soda trapped in lines.
- 5. Set up bar, rail and drink mats.
- 6. Mix puree to par. (1) Pouring (1) Back up per flavor per well.
- 7. Ensure Red Bull cooler is stocked to capacity.
- 8. Ensure reach in is filled to capacity.
- 9. Ensure reach in thermometers reads 38 degrees.
- 10. Ensure reach in chilled shot bottle.
 - 4 Jager
 - 4 Patron Silver
 - 2 Don Julio Blanco
 - 2 Tuaca
 - 1 Rumpleminz
 - 1 Goldschlager
 - 1 Baileys
- 11. Ensure well, speed rail and back bar bottles are mirrored.
- 12. Ensure each LAVU has two back up rolls of single side thermal paper.
- 13. Par, set up and polish 36 wine glasses and 12 champagne flutes for each bar.
- 14. Ensure both dishwashers are working and have proper chemical levels.
- 15. Fold and place six clean bar towels beneath each POS.

MID SHIFT RESPONSIBILITIES and MULTI-TASKING

- Return speed rail and back bar bottles to designated locations
- Replace and replenish all 86 bottles
- Maintain bar top, bar floor and floor drains free of all debris
- Prevent hand sinks from becoming dump sinks
- Immediately remove any debris from hand sink
- Wipe, clean and dry bar top spills immediately
- Monitor ice bin levels and request ice as needed
- Monitor glassware depletion and request as needed
- Monitor beer levels and request as needed
- Monitor fruit tray and puree levels, request as needed
- Maintain your zone while providing assistance to adjacent zones
- Serve multiple customers by taking additional orders
- Take additional orders while making drinks
- Remove debris and wipe down the bar top while taking orders or serving drinks

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- Attempt drink reorders prior to depletion
- Answer questions with as much detail as possible
- Provide solutions to service problems or notify management
- Discard used towels into the designated bus tub beneath the bar

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END OF SHIFT RESPONSIBILITIES

Cleaning does not begin until banking out. Do not clean before closing out.

- 1. Wipe, clean and dry using clean towel, hot water and bleach.
 - Back bar risers, bottles and surface area
 - Speed rails, bottles and surrounding wall
 - Service well and bottles
 - Soda gun, holster and line
 - LAVU terminal and printer
 - Reach in exterior and chilled shot bottles
- 2. Wash in kitchen dishwasher, dry, replenish and reset.
 - Napkin and straw caddies
 - Salt and sugar rimmer
 - Shaker tins and strainer
 - Jiggers
 - Bar mesh, rail and drink mats
 - Puree bottles and speed pourers
- 3. Ensure hand and dump sinks, and floor drains are free of all debris.
- 4. Clean hand and dump sinks, and floor drains with hot water and bleach.
- 5. Restock your well, speed rails, reach in and back bar with liquor.
- 6. Restock hand sinks with paper towels and soap.
- 7. Discard fruit trays and any open Red Bull cans.
- 8. Deliver used towel bus tubs to used towel storage bins.

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SERVICE WELL DEEP CLEANING GUIDELINES

- 1. Burn ice.
- 2. Deep clean inside, outside and beneath well.
- 3. Remove, clean and reattach speed rail.
- 4. Clean soda gun, holster and nozzle but do not disconnect nozzle from gun.
- 5. Dry entire well, speed rail and soda gun using clean towel.
- 6. Wipe down, clean, dry and restock liquor bottles.

BACK BAR DEEP CLEANING GUIDELINES

- 1. Remove all bottles from the back bar.
- 2. Wipe down, clean and dry back bar.
- 3. Wipe down, clean and dry liquor bottles.
- 4. Return clean bottles to assigned location.
- 5. Restock missing liquor bottles (gap placement).
- 6. Ensure correct bottle placement with labels facing out (customer line of sight).

WEEKLY INTENSIVE CLEANING UNIT GUIDELINES

- Monday night: deep clean, rotate and replenish reach in beer cooler
- Tuesday night: clean pour spouts using kitchen dish washing machine
- Wednesday night: clean all walls adjacent to wells and speed rails
- Thursday night: wipe down the front of the bar removing scuff marks
- Friday night: remove, clean, dry and reattach reach in compressor vent cover
- Saturday night: run all glassware through kitchen dishwasher
- Sunday night: pull out, clean and mop behind reach in beer cooler

HEALTH DEPARTMENT COMPLIANCE

- 1. Ensure hand sinks have hand towels and soap.
- 2. Ensure hand sinks are free of all debris.
- 3. Ensure lined trashcan is adjacent to each hand sink.
- 4. Fill four health department buckets with ster-bac-blue.
- 5. Ster-bac-blue ratio is one cap per one gallon of water.
- 6. Place one red health department bucket at each end of both bars.
- 7. Ensure ster-bac-blue test strips are located inside each LAVU cabinet.
- 8. Check soda gun holster for build up by swabbing napkins to remove debris,
- 9. Ensure floor drains are free of all debris.
- 10. Do not place anything in the ice well accept for ice scoop with handle facing out.
- 11. Immediately report fruit flies, insects or gnats to management.
- 12. Ensure each reach in has a thermometer.
- 13. Verify each thermometer reflects 38 degrees.
- 14. Ensure pens, money, credit cards nor paper clips are stored in glassware.
- 15. Ensure fruit trays are not cracked or broken.
- 16. Wipe off condensation inside reach in cooler.
- 17. Ensure bar mesh is beneath all glassware.

GARBAGE CANS

- Avoid shattering glass by not throwing bottles into garbage cans
- Remove garbage cans before garbage impedes customer line of sight
- Dragging garbage cans, across the floor, destroys the bottom of the can causing it to break and bleed liquid. Ask for assistance or use the dolly to move garbage cans

BREAKING BOTTLES

- Notify management when bottles break to ring in and comp shots
- Burn ice bin if a bottle breaks in proximity
- Do not pick up broken glass with your hands
- Use broom and dustpan to clean up broken glass

TIP POOL

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Our bartenders use house pooling to establish hourly pay rates and tip distribution by;

- 1. Pooling total cash and credit tips.
- 2. Calculating pouring hours.
- 3. Establishing gross tips.
- 4. Tipping the bar back 15 percent
- 5. Establishing net tips.
- 6. Dividing net tips by pouring hours to determine hourly pay rate.
- 7. Multiplying individual pour hours by hourly pay rate.

Total Cash: \$1250

Bartender 1 Total Credit Card Tips: \$250 with 4 Total Pouring Hours bartending 8pm -12am Bartender 2 Total Credit Card Tips: \$399 with 6 Total Pouring Hours bartending 8pm -2am Bartender 3 Total Credit Card Tips: \$278 with 6 Total Pouring Hours bartending 8pm -2am Bartender 4 Total Credit Card Tips: \$433 with 6 Total Pouring Hours bartending 8pm -2am Bartender 5 Total Credit Card Tips: \$410 with 8 Total Pouring Hours bartending 6pm -2am Bartender 6 Total Credit Card Tips: \$348 with 8 Total Pouring Hours bartending 6pm -2am

- Total Gross Tips: \$3,368
- Bar Back Tip out: (15%) = \$505
- Total Net Tip Bar Back = \$2863
- Total Hours: 38
- Hourly Tip Rate = \$75

Bartender 1 Total Pouring Hours: $4 \ge 75 = 300$ Bartender 2 Total Pouring Hours: $6 \ge 75 = 450$ Bartender 3 Total Pouring Hours: $6 \ge 75 = 450$ Bartender 4 Total Pouring Hours: $6 \ge 75 = 450$ Bartender 5 Total Pouring Hours: $8 \ge 75 = 600$ Bartender 6 Total Pouring Hours: $8 \ge 75 = 600$

CONCLUSION

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Although this is the conclusion, it's not the end. This is just the beginning. Everything we discussed barely scratches the surface of what it takes to become a bartender. This training manual provides a tremendous amount of information. However, teamwork and integrity is the most.

TEAMWORK

Our bar is a team. Our bartenders are team players who embrace teamwork by opening, operating, closing, cleaning, counting tips and leaving the bar together. Our bar staff is no different than a sports team. We are both comprised of multiple players, with different strengths and weaknesses, working towards a common goal. Our goal is superior service and great tasting drinks. Achieving this requires;

- Returning bottles after pouring (bottle placement)
- Replenishing bottles after depletion. (gap placement)
- Cleaning as you go (multi-tasking)
- Recommending drinks (up selling)
- Well, rail and back bar set up (opening responsibility)
- Mirroring back bars (customer line of sight)

Some bartenders are phenomenal in service, but struggle at mid, while others feel caged in both positions but thrive at the Point. Regardless, all bartenders should be of equal value in terms or production and work ethic.

Teamwork isn't about who makes the least mistakes or who rings the most. It's about coming to work, doing your job and providing assistance to the bartender beside you.

INTEGRITY

Integrity is everything. Without it, you have nothing and no place behind our bar. You will encounter opportunities and make decisions throughout your shift. No matter what, maintain your integrity. Build a reputation beyond reproach by establishing your cash handling accuracy, honesty and work ethic.



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