# BEVERAGE ALCOHOL SUPPLIER SIGNAGE GUIDE

FISCAL YEAR 2026





## NSLC BEVERAGE ALCOHOL SUPPLIER SIGNAGE GUIDE

The NSLC is standardizing the process for receiving and approving all supplier-provided in-store assets, including standard signage and retail-tainment pieces.

The use of supplier assets in NSLC retail locations will be at NSLC's discretion and must be approved and supplied by the marketing deadlines indicated.

All proposed in-store retail-tainment programs and supporting creative must be applied for and approved by the NSLC.

Approved signage and retail-tainment pieces will be included in the NSLC's Execution Guide each promotional period.

## SUPPLIER SIGNAGE APPLICATION PROCESS

- 1. Suppliers must apply for all promotional opportunities and activities through the NSLC promotional application process located under the *Program Information & Applications* tab of **myNSLC.com/TrademyNSLC**.
  - ✓ Any proposed tactics and creative should be included as part of the application.
- 2. An NSLC Promotions team member will inform successful and unsuccessful applicants.
  - ✓ Suppliers with successful applications will be requested to provide a participation confirmation of signage piece(s).
- 3. Suppliers to send proposed creative assets to **Alex.Noonan@myNSLC.com** for review and approval after programs and associated offers are formally approved by the Promotions team. Marketing deadlines indicated below.
  - X If proposed creative assets are not received by the deadline, the NSLC will assume you are not participating in the period programming.
- 4. NSLC will review creative assets (approximately 10 business days) and provide any edits.
- 5. Suppliers to incorporate edits into signage design and share back to **Alex.Noonan@myNSLC.com** for final approval by deadline outlined below.

## SUPPLIER SIGNAGE DEADLINES: FY26

P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	<b>P8</b>	P9	
27-Jan-25	3-Mar-25	7-Apr-25	16-May-25	23-June-25	1-Aug-25	15-Sep-25	27-Oct-25	15-Dec-25	

PLEASE NOTE: All proposed supplier artwork, assets, images, or lifestyle photography must be submitted to Alex.Noonan@myNSLC.com by the due date as indicated above.

## LATE SIGNAGE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.



## SIGNAGE SPECS AND CONTENT REQUIREMENTS

## 22" x 17" SIGNAGE

The standard sign that is placed on an end cap or floor display.

#### **CREATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

- ✓ 22" W x 17" H
- ✓ File type: Final artwork must be submitted as a .PDF file
- Black text for printing should be 100% black
- Bleed: 0.125"
- Cropmarks: Offset must be 0.25" on cropmarks
- ✓ Spot colours: Jobs that print only CMYK should be output with no spot colours
- Image Resolution: 300 dpi

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✓ 6" W x 17" H

#### CONTENT REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ NSLC promotional period dates (dates in-market)
- Article #
- Price Point (including discounts)
- ✓ Product and/or package size (e.g., 750ml, 473ml, 12x355ml, etc.)
- Image of product with correct size shown on signage (e.g. showing a 12-pack vs single can image for a 12-pack product)
- ✓ Adhere to NSLC Responsible Advertising Standards
- Contesting details\* see page 7

## **EXTENDER**

Promotional signage that is attached to right hand side of 22" x 17" signage.

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## SIGNAGE

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## LARGE SHELF TALKER

8.5" x 11" creative space that is inserted into a product stack out on the floor.

#### **CREATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

- 8.5" W x 14" H
  NOTE: leave 3" blank space at top, 8.5" x 11" usable space
- ✓ File type: Final artwork must be submitted as a .PDF file
- Black text for printing should be 100% black
- ✓ Bleed: 0.125"
- Cropmarks: Offset must be 0.25" on cropmarks
- Spot colours: Jobs that print only CMYK should be output with no spot colours
- Image Resolution: 300 dpi

## SHELF CARD/ SHELF TALKER

A mini sign placed with or over top of a bin tab to promote an additional offer, such as a contest or AIR MILES<sup>®</sup> Scan to Win.

#### **CREATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

- ✓ 4.25" W x 4.25" H
- File type: Final artwork must be submitted as a .PDF file
- Black text for printing should be 100% black
- ✓ Bleed: 0.125"
- Cropmarks: Offset must be 0.25" on cropmarks
- Spot colours: Jobs that print only CMYK should be output with no spot colours
- Image Resolution: 300 dpi

#### **CONTENT REQUIREMENTS**

- NSLC promotional period dates (dates in-market)
- Article #
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### **NECK TAG**

### Neck tags provide an opportunity for suppliers to give information of value to the shopper, such as tasting notes, recipe information, or contesting.

#### **CREATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

- ✓ 2.65" W x 6.25" H
- ✓ File type: Final artwork must be submitted as a .PDF file

#### **CONTENT REQUIREMENTS**

- ✓ NSLC promotional period dates (dates in-market)
- ✓ Adhere to NSLC Responsible Advertising Standards
- Contesting details\* see page 7



**NOTE:** Suppliers are responsible for the printing and distribution of NSLC-approved neck tags.

# DUMP BIN & CASE STACKERS

A dump bin is a container used to hold and display non-liquor added value that cannot be attached to a participating product. A case stacker is a display unit used to merchandise products on the floor.

## **CREATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

Maximum size:
 24" W x 60" H x 24" D

#### **CONTENT REQUIREMENTS**

- ✓ NSLC promotional period dates (dates in-market)
- Include what the free product is and how to retrieve it (e.g. free glass with purchase of 6x355ml)
- Adhere to NSLC Responsible Advertising Standards
- Contesting details\* see page 7

**NOTE:** Suppliers are responsible for the printing and distribution of NSLC-approved dump bins and case stackers.





## **CONTESTING SIGNAGE GUIDELINES**

If your signage has been approved for contesting, please include the following details on your signage:

#### **CONTESTING REQUIREMENTS**

#### ✓ Prizing details

- What prize can shoppers win?
- Dates for the promotion
- Image of the prize(s)
- Website to go to for more details/legal requirements (Suppliers must host rules and regulations online)

#### ✓ Details on how a shopper can enter

- "Scan pin code inside to win"
- "Scan the QR Code and enter to win"

#### ✓ Include all details of promotional offers if relevant

• "Buy a 6x355mL of product X and get a 473mL of product Y to receive X AIR MILES® Bonus Miles."

## **AIR MILES**®

#### Running an AIR MILES® Scan to Win contest?



Please visit **myNSLC.com/TrademyNSLC** for a list of Scan to Win signage requirements. (AIR MILES<sup>®</sup> Scan to Win Supplier Package and Rules & Regulations are listed under Program Information and Applications > Annual Guides > FY26.)

Email Alex.Noonan@myNSLC.com for details.

## RESOURCES



## **CONTACT THE NSLC**



If you have questions regarding signage, please reach out to:

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