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# **Bartending**

What is Bartending?

Bartending is the profession of serving drinks at a bar, usually alcoholic. Either mixing varies liquours together into a glass or serving beer, what kind of drinks and how to make them depend on the establishment they're created in. A bartenders job can revolve around serving beers, wines, mixed drinks and cocktails, with large amount of variety in each group.

### Varying rules depending on place of work.

Some places require a bartending license, which are given out by schools after taking classes on bartending. Not all places have the same rules, and can vary on things like:

#### Measuring.

Some places allow for free pouring, which you eyeball how much liquor goes into the drink, while other places require you use a measuring tool like a "jigger", which is a measuring cup that has two "cups" on it of varying sizes.

#### Checking the guest for their ID to ensure they're of legal age to consume alcohol.

Depending on the establishment you may have varying rules on who to ID before serving. Some places require you to ID everyone regardless of age, some follow state laws which can vary.

#### **House vs Common Drinks**

Some drinks like a Long Island Ice Tea can vary depending on the establishment, while the core of the drink remains the same (gin, vodka, tequila, rum), they can change on other ingredients like triple sec, sweet and sour juice, and what kind of soda to use.

## How to make a Long Island Ice Tea

A very common drink to make as a bartender is a Long Island Ice Tea, which consists of five different kinds of liquor.

Knowing how to make a Long Island will help you be on your way to a bartender.

To make a Long Island:

- 1. Gather the ingredients for the drink.
- 2. Setup mixing glass and tin, put small amount of ice in mixing glass.
- 3. Pour one part of gin, vodka, tequila, rum in any order...
- 4. Add one part triple sec.
- 5. Add two part sweet and sour.
- **6.** Put mixing tin on the glass, then shake drink.
- 7. Strain drink into ice filled serving glass.
- 8. Fill the rest with coke.
- 9. Add a lemon as a garish and a straw.