To: Local Licensing Authorities
From: Ralph Sacramone, Executive Director
Subject: 2010 Calendar of Holidays
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The following is a list of legal holidays and the dates on which they will be observed for Calendar Year 2010.

Please save this calendar of holidays and holiday hours for 2010 and share it with your licensees. If there are any questions, please call the ABCC.

1. All licensees **MAY** sell or deliver alcoholic beverages on the following holidays:

   - New Year’s Day  
   - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
   - Presidents’ Day  
   - Evacuation Day*  
   - Patriots’ Day  
   - Bunker Hill Day*  
   - Independence Day  
   - Labor Day  
   - Columbus Day  
   - Veterans’ Day

   *Holiday in Suffolk County only

   Package stores **MAY** remain open until 11:30 p.m. on the day immediately before all holidays.

2. Package stores, manufactures*, wholesalers and importers* **MAY NOT** sell or deliver alcoholic beverages on the following holidays:

   - Memorial Day  
   - Thanksgiving Day*  
   - Christmas Day

   *Except to Section 14 licensees
Hotels, restaurants, taverns and clubs **MAY** sell alcoholic beverages during the regular hours on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 25, 2010.

Registered pharmacists **MAY NOT** sell alcoholic beverages (or alcohol) at any time during the day except upon the prescription of a registered physician on all mentioned holidays.

**SUNDAY SALES BY SECTION 15 LICENSEES**  
**ANNUALLY ON A STATEWIDE BASIS**

Effective April 5, 2004, pursuant to the provisions of Acts 2004, Chapter 65, Sections 21 and 22, any Section 15 (off-premise) licensee may make sales on Sundays, subject to the conditions that: there shall be no sales prior to the hour of 12:00 noon; that establishments which employ more than 7 persons shall compensate all employees a rate of not less than one and one-half of the employee’s regular rate; no employee shall be required to work on a Sunday and refusal to work on a Sunday shall not be grounds for discrimination, dismissal, discharge, deduction of hours or any other penalty. No additional permit or approval is required any longer from the local licensing authority. A municipality may prohibit the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sundays annually by Section 15 (off-premise) licensees by vote of the City Council or Board of Selectmen.

Any Section 15 (off-premise) licensee that conducts business on a Sunday as provided by the law may cease the conduct of business on 1 day of the week notwithstanding the provisions of Section 77 of Chapter 138. M.G.L. c.138, s.33(c), as inserted by Acts 2003, Chapter 141, Section 32.