ABCC Training for New Local Board Staff

Feb 2025

Agenda

- Best Practices
- Website Navigation/Advisories/FAQ's
- Applications, Amendments and LLA Certification Form Review
- Uploading applications to eLicensing
- Renewals
- One Day Special Permits
- Quota
- Complaints/Investigations and Enforcement
- Appeals

Best Practices

"Alcohol Licensing is an open book test." Use the references and resources available to you.

Use your municipality's legal counsel. Do not become the applicant's legal counsel.

Establish communication and cooperation with local law enforcement, legal counsel and the ABCC. We are always available to you but in some cases the issue would require local action.

ŧ.	95 Fourth Street, Suite 3, Chelsea, MA 02150-2358 www.mass.gov/abcc APPLICATION FOR A NEW LICENSE
#Ban	Municipality
1. LICENSE CLA	ASSIFICATION INFORMATION S TYPE CATEGORY CLASS
	rative overview of the transaction(s) being applied for. On-premises applicants should also provide a description of e or concept of the business operation. Attach additional pages, if necessary.
Is this license applic	ation pursuant to special legislation?
	NTITY INFORMATION Il be issued the license and have operational control of the premises.
Entity Name	FEIN
DBA	Manager of Record
	manager or necord
Street Address	
Phone	Email
Alternative Phone	Website
3. DESCRIPTIC	IN OF PREMISES mplete description of the premises to be licensed, including the number of floors, number of rooms on each floor, any
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Question 3

- A detailed description of the entire proposed licensed premise for sales, storage and consumption.
- How many rooms, bathroom, bars etc.

5. CORPORATE STRUC	APPLICATION FOR A	A NEW LICENSE	
Entity Legal Structure	TOKE .	Date of Incorporation	
			Yes No
State of Incorporation	•	Is the Corporation publicly traded?	
5. PROPOSED OFFICER	S, STOCK OR OWNERSHIP INT	TEREST	
		I or financial interest in this license (E.g. Sto bage(s) provided, if necessary, utilizing Add	
The individuals and tit	les listed in this section must be identical	to those filed with the Massachusetts Seco	retary of State.
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Additional pages attached?			
CRIMINAL HISTORY			
Has any individual listed in que	stion 6, and applicable attachments, ever ? If yes, attach an affidavit providing the c		res 🖸 No
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Question 6

- Disclosure of Criminal history
- Completion of all fields
- Percentage of ownership must total 100%. Undisclosed ownership may require another public hearing.

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Question 6A

• Licenses that are currently owned.

Question 6B

• Former ownership.

Question 6C

• Disciplinary action concerning current and former ownership. This is a tool to consider character and fitness.



Question 8 – Financial Disclosure

• Total flow through cost of the transaction.

- Source of Financing
- Proof of where financing is originating from. Proof of funds are required if the total transaction cost exceeds \$50,000.

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Question 10 – Manager Application

- How many hours will the manager be on the licensed premise?
- Based off the operations of the proposed business type that a manager will be onsite.
- A manager's hours should be commensurate with type of proposed business operation.

Prior disciplinary action

• This is a tool to consider character and fitness of the proposed manager.

Amending Your Alcoholic Beverages Retail License (ABCC)

If you hold an alcoholic beverages retail license, you may find yourself i where you need to update details about your business, such as a chang or even a new name. The Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (AB you to file notice of these changes. This guide will walk you through the submitting what you need to keep your license up to date with the ABC

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- Change in Beneficial Interest
- Change of Business Entity Information
- Change in Hours
- Management Agreement Amendment

Amendments to an Existing License

- The various amendments may be found here, <u>https://www.mass.gov/guides/amending-</u> <u>your-alcoholic-beverages-retail-license-abcc</u>
- Please use the LLA Checklist found here, <u>https://www.mass.gov/doc/2021-lla-</u> <u>checklist/download</u>
- Licensees should discuss the transactions with their own legal counsel to ensure the application intends to address the amendment to the license.

LLA Certification Form Required for Approvals

Please ensure that a complete licensed premises description is included on all transactions.

Verify that your board or designee signs the <u>LLA Certification</u>

Ê		Alcoholic Be	onwealth of Massa verages Control Co AUTHORITY CERT	ommission	For Reconsideration
лЭbr			City/Town		ABCC License Number
TRANSACTION TYPE The license appli			ies to approve the fo	llowing transaction	
New License Transfer of Licens Change of Mana	se Alteratio	of Location on of Licensed Premises Corporate Name	Change of Class (i.e. Ann Change of License Typ Change of Category (ii	De (Le. club / restaurant)	Change Corporate Structure (Le. Corp / LLC) Pledge of Collateral (Le. License/Stod) Management/Operating Agreement
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Name of Licensee				DBA	
Street Address					Zip Code
Manager <u>Type</u> (Le. restaurant, paci	kage store)	Class (Annual or Seasonal)	Category (Le. Wines and Malts / Ai	II Alcohol)	Granted under Yes No
DESCRIPTION OF PR	EEMISES Comp	lete description of th	e licensed premises		
LOCAL LICENSING AL Application filed wit	th the LLA: Da	TION ate: ate Published:		Time:	
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Date APPR	OVED by LLA		Decision of	the LLA	•
Additional remarks (E.g. Days and hours	5)				
For Transfers ONLY: Seller License Numb		Seller N	ame:		
The Local Licensing At	uthorities By:				Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission Balph Sacramone Executive Director

LLA Certification Form Required for Approvals

Please list information provided by the applicant that your Board has approved. This area should reflect new or changing information that will be reviewed by the ABCC.

Please list all information relevant to your Board's approval of the transaction. Refer to the <u>LLA Checklist</u> and <u>MGL 138 Section 15A</u> for advertisement/abutters notification requirements for each transaction.

	Ô	The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission LICENSING AUTHORITY CERTIFICATION	For Reconsideration
		City/Town	ABCC License Number
		<u>(Please check all relevant transactions):</u> ant petitions the Licensing Authorities to approve the following transactions:	
	New License	Change of Location Change of Class (i.e. Annual / Seasonal)	Change Corporate Structure (Le. Corp / LLC)
	Transfer of Lice	e Alteration of Licensed Premises Change of License Type (Le. club / restaurant)	Pledge of Collateral (Le. License/Stock)
	Change of Man	er Change Corporate Name Change of Category (i.e. All Akcohol/Wine, Malt)	Management/Operating Agreement
	Change of Office Directors/LLC N	Change of Ownership Interest (LLC Members/LLP Partners, Trustee)	Change of Hours
	Outdoor Only	Other:	Change of DBA
	Alteration of Pro		
	APPLICANT INFORM		
	Name of Licensee	DBA	
	Street Address		Zip Code
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			If Yes, Chapter
			of the Acts of (year)
	(Le. restaurant, pa	ige store) (Annual or Seasonal) (i.e. Wines and Malts / All Alcohol)	
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Upload Approvals to eLicensing

- Please scan and upload all applications or amendments approved by your board to our eLicensing system.
- This is an immediate and secure way to get applications to the ABCC for review.
- Your Board will be notified via email of approvals and transactions Returned No Action.

Here is the link to the login.

Guide to submitting to eLicensing.

https://www.mass.gov/doc/how-to-submit-a-retail-record-ineplace/download

Annual/Seasonal Renewals

All retail liquor licensees must renew their license every year with the Local Licensing Board.

Retail renewal packets are sent by the ABCC to LLA's ahead of the renewal period to allow Boards time to prepare renewal information.

Renewal information should be completed by the licensee, returned to the LLA, voted on by the Licensing Board, and returned to the ABCC.

Renewal Timelines

Action	Annual	Seasonal
Renewal Packets Sent to LLA's	Mid-September	Early February
Renewal Forms Signed	November Only	March Only
Return Paperwork to ABCC	By mid-January	By mid-May

Renewal Certification Form

- Licensees who failed to renew or were disapproved should be listed on this page.
- Even if all licensees completed their renewals, please complete this form.
- This form should be signed or stamped by your Board like they would any application or amendment.

RENEWAL CERTIFICATION 2024

CITY/TOWN:

A. LICENSEES WHO FAILED TO RENEW FOR 2024:

LICENSE #:	LICENSEE CORPORATE NAME AND ADDRESS:

B.LICENSEES DISAPPROVED BY THE CITY/TOWN FOR 2024:



We hereby certify that the premises described in 2024 renewal applications for the above mentioned municipality are now occupied, used, or controlled by the licensee and will be on January 1, 2024. The renewal applications have been approved by the Local Licensing Authorities and forwarded to the ABCC.



Retail License Renewal

- This form should be filled out by the licensee only in the month of November/March depending on the license Class.
- The month the licensee should sign is provided on the form. The licensee should not sign before or after the month provided.
- Any corrections to this form can be made in red ink along with a copy of the LLA Certification or ABCC approval showing the needed correction.

Jean M. Lorizio, Eso Commission Chairman	95 Fourth Street, Suite 3 Chelsea, MA 02150-2358				
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	Retail Licens	e Renewal			
License Number:	00011-CL-0002	Municipality: ABINGTON			
License Name :	Columbus Club Of Abington Inc	License Class: Annual			
DBA :	Knights Of Columbus	License Type: Club			
Premise Address:	254 Hancock Street Abington, MA 02351	License Category: All Alcoholic Beverages			
Manager:	William Sampson				
3. The	renewed license is of the same class, type, cate licensee has complied with all laws of the Com premises are now open for business (if not, exp	monwealth relating to taxes; and			
	Signature	November,			
	Printed Name	Title			

FAX: (617)797-1958

http://www.mass.gov/abco

(A) TELEPHONE: (617)727-3040

Sending Renewals Back to ABCC

What to Send

- Signed Renewal Certification
 Form
- Signed Retail License Renewals by licensees
- Backup documentation for needed corrections
- Seasonal Population Increase Estimate Forms

What NOT to Send

- Copies of License Certificates Issued to Licensees
- Proof of Liquor Liability Insurance
- Fire Inspection information
- Paper copies of amendments an applicant submitted with their renewal

One Day Special Permits

MGL 138 Section 14

For a One Day Special Permit you must contact the Local Licensing Authority of the city or town the event is held in.

The Local Licensing Authorities may issue special licenses for the sale of wines and/or malt beverages to any enterprise however, special licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages may be issued to non-profit organizations only. The license is to be utilized for a single day.

The Local Licensing Authorities cannot grant special licenses to:

a. any person for more than a total of 30 days per calendar year,b. to any person that has an on premises license application pending before it,c. any premises that has an alcoholic beverages license.

Special licensees CANNOT purchase alcoholic beverages from a package store.

A "Special License" to pour liquor at an indoor or outdoor activity or enterprise may be issued to the responsible manager of the indoor or outdoor activity or enterprise. Such a license is issued by the LLA in the city or town in which the activity or enterprise will be conducted.

This type of license may be issued only to a natural person, although this natural person may be a person acting on behalf of a corporation, partnership, or other entity. No person may be granted such licenses permitting sales on an aggregate of more than 30 days in any calendar year.

No special license, with only very limited exceptions (i.e. a special license for a dining hall maintained by an incorporated educational institution authorized to grant degrees) shall permit sales on more than 30 days. A special license for a municipal golf course may permit sales on an aggregate of not more than 245 days in any calendar year, in or from any municipally owned building that is operated in conjunction with an 18-hole regulation golf course.

Quota

Section 17 places a restriction commonly referred to as a "quota" on the number of § 12 pouring licenses and § 15 package store licenses a city or town can issue. The quota is based on the municipality's population enumerated in the most recent federal census.

In calendar year 2020, the most recent federal census was taken. Each city and town was notified by the ABCC what the quota of licenses was as determined by this most recent census. Questions about this quota and any newly available licenses may be directed to either the ABCC or to the LLA in any city or town.

Special Legislation

Municipalities may work with their state legislative delegation, local board and legal counsel to petition for additional licenses.

These licenses are issued outside of the quota.

The criteria for issuance of such licenses is determined by the legislative act.

Establish a line of communication with your municipality's legal counsel and law enforcement.

Investigations/Enforcement

- Here at the Enforcement Division, we offer law enforcement training classes for law enforcement officers. We offer two training seminars for Law Enforcement Officers:
- "Enforcement of the Massachusetts Liquor Control Act"
- "False Identification / Fraudulent Document Detection"
- These classes are free of charge to participating agencies.

If you are interested in this training, please contact Chief Ted Mahony at:

- 1. By e-mail at fmahony@tre.state.ma.us or
- 2. By phone at (857) 453-2714.

Appeals

The LLA must issue a written statement of reasons to an applicant or licensee when it takes the following actions:

- Denies a license application;
- Refuses to issue/renew a license; or
- Suspends, revokes, cancels, or forfeits a license;

The applicant or licensee may appeal the action of the LLA to the ABCC but must do so within **5 business days** of receipt of the LLA's written decision. For new license applications, the applicant can also appeal if the LLA does not act within 30 days of the application's receipt, within **5 business days** of the expiration of the 30-day period.