



*Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission
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DECISION

**BLAZIN WINGS INC. D/B/A BUFFALO WILD WINGS
321 SCHOOL STREET, SUITE A-110
MANSFIELD, MA 02048
LICENSE#: 00066-RS-0652
VIOLATION DATE: 12/27/2019
HEARD: 10/5/2021**

Blazin Wings Inc. d/b/a Buffalo Wild Wings (the "Licensee") holds an alcohol license issued pursuant to M.G.L. c. 138, § 12. The Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission ("ABCC" or "Commission") held a remote hearing via Microsoft Teams on Tuesday, October 5, 2021, regarding an alleged violation of 204 CMR 2.05 (2) Permitting an Illegality on the Licensed Premises, to wit: M.G.L. Ch. 138, § 34C Possession of an alcoholic beverage by a person under twenty-one years of age (1 Count). Prior to the commencement of the hearing, the Licensee stipulated to the facts alleged in Investigator Keefe's Report.

The following documents are in evidence:

1. Investigator Keefe's Investigative Report;
2. ABCC Form 43 New License Approval, 5/13/2013;
3. Copy of Fraudulent Driver's License;
4. Receipt #90052;
5. Licensee Stipulation of Facts.

There is one (1) audio recording of this hearing.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On Friday, December 27, 2019, at approximately 9:20 p.m., Investigators Temple and Keefe ("Investigators") conducted an inspection of the business operation of Blazin Wings Inc. d/b/a Buffalo Wild Wings to determine the manner in which its business was being conducted.
2. Upon entering the licensed premises, Investigators observed a youthful appearing individual in possession of what appeared to be an alcoholic beverage. Investigators identified themselves and asked to see proof of legal age.

3. Underage #1 admitted to Investigator Keefe he was not 21 years of age.
4. Underage #1, actual date of birth 2/18/1999(age 20), was in possession of a Bud Light beer. He stated when asked by the Licensee for identification, he presented a fraudulent Maine driver's license.
5. Investigators spoke to the waitress and the manager to notify them of the violation.
6. Steven Brodeur, District Manager for Blazin Wings, Inc., Niko Minakakis, Regional Vice President of Blazin Wings, Inc., and Jesse Giuffrida, the new General Manager at the licensed premises, appeared at the Commission hearing. The Commission was informed of the extensive steps taken to prevent such an occurrence in the future.
7. The Licensee has held a license under M.G.L. c. 138, § 12 since 2013 with no prior violations.

CONCLUSION

Based on the evidence, the Commission finds the Licensee violated of 204 CMR 2.05 (2) Permitting an Illegality on the Licensed Premises, to wit: M.G.L. Ch. 138, § 34C Possession of an alcoholic beverage by a person under twenty-one years of age (1 Count). Therefore, the Commission **suspends the license for a period of one (1) day which is hereby deemed served.**

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION

Jean M. Lorizio, Chairman



Crystal Matthews, Commissioner



Deborah Baglio, Commissioner



Dated: October 6, 2021

You have the right to appeal this decision to the Superior Courts under the provisions of Chapter 30A of the Massachusetts General Laws within thirty (30) days of receipt of this decision.

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