

(b) Proof of publication of the notice of application for license shall be furnished after the second publication with copies of the dated advertisements attached.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

In (b), added "with copies of advertisements attached"; deleted form.

13:2-2.6 Applicants for renewal of municipal licenses

Applicants for renewal of municipal licenses, other than seasonal retail consumption licenses, issued by municipal issuing authorities are not required to advertise notice of application. In lieu thereof, the Director shall cause a general notice of application to be published in the form set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:2-1.5 once a week from the week of April 1 through the week of June 1 in a newspaper printed in the English language and published and circulated in the counties in which the premises of applicants for such renewals are located.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).
Stylistic revisions; deleted Notice.

13:2-2.7 Objections; hearing

Each municipal issuing authority, upon receipt of a timely written objection duly signed by an objector shall set the matter down for a hearing and all parties shall be notified of the date, hour and place thereof. Said hearing shall be stenographically or electronically recorded.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).
Stylistic revisions.

Case Notes

Request to renew license; failure to prove ability to expeditiously activate license. In the Matter of Vaughn, 94 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 77.

Good cause; consideration of application for renewal; plenary retail consumption license. In the Matter of Donald T. Von Hagen Renewal Application Authorization, 94 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 74.

Good cause existed to activate liquor license. In the Matter of the Application of Salvatore Massamuto for Relief, 94 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 59.

Plenary Retail Consumption license would be granted to hotel where it met all criteria. Belleaire Resort Corp. v. Spring Lake Borough, 94 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 25.

Plenary retail consumption liquor license inactive for six years renewable upon conditions. In the Matter of the Application of Ocean Mile Development Group, Ltd. for Relief Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.39, 94 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 19.

Inactive liquor license renewed upon showing that public interest would be served and that applicant made continuous effort to develop project. In the Matter of the Renewal Application of the Pocket License of Branca Corp., 94 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 1.

13:2-2.8 Date of hearing

The date fixed for hearing shall not be sooner than five days (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays) after the second publication and should not be later than 14 days

thereafter. For good cause, each issuing authority in the exercise of sound and fair discretion may, subject to appeal to the Director by the applicant if he proves that he is aggrieved by the delay, fix a date for hearing later than said 14 days or may adjourn the hearing, upon notification to all parties.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).
Stylistic revisions.

13:2-2.9 Hearing not required; reasons

(a) If there is no timely written objection and the issuing authority determines to approve the application, no hearing is required; but this in no way relieves the issuing authority from the duty of making a thorough investigation on its own initiative.

(b) No application shall be approved unless the issuing authority affirmatively finds and reduces to resolution that:

1. The submitted application form is complete in all respects;
2. The applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all standards established by the New Jersey Alcoholic Beverage Control Act, the regulations promulgated thereunder, as well as any pertinent local ordinances or Division-approved conditions; and
3. The applicant has disclosed and the authority has reviewed the source of all funds used in the purchase of the license and the licensed business and all additional financing obtained in connection with the licensed business.

(c) No application shall be disapproved without the issuing authority first affording the applicant an opportunity to be heard, and providing the applicant with at least five days notice thereof. The hearing need not be of the evidentiary or trial type, and the burden of establishing that the application should be approved shall rest with the applicant. In every action adverse to any applicant or objector, the issuing authority shall state the reasons therefor.

Amended by R.1979 d.138, effective May 1, 1979.
See: 11 N.J.R. 143(a), 11 N.J.R. 257(c).
Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).
Stylistic revisions.

13:2-2.10 Decision on application; ad interim (temporary) permit

(a) A municipal issuing authority must render a decision within 45 days from the date of a duly filed application for issuance of a new license unless the applicant consents to an extension. Failure to act may be deemed a denial of application by the applicant for the purpose of allowing the applicant to appeal to the Director.

(b) If no action is taken on an application for renewal of license prior to the expiration of its term, the applicant may apply to the Director for issuance of an ad interim (temporary) permit authorizing the applicant to continue to conduct the licensed business until the application has been acted upon. If no action is taken on an application for renewal of a license within 90 days after the expiration of its term, the applicant may file an appeal with the Director from such failure to act on the renewal application.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Stylistic revisions.

13:2-2.11 Denial of application; refund of fees

If the application for new or renewal license is denied for any reason whatsoever or withdrawn, a statutory refund of 90 percent of the fee deposited with the municipality shall be made by the municipality to the applicant. The remaining 10 percent shall be deemed an investigation and processing fee and shall be retained by the municipality. The State filing fee required to accompany such applications shall be retained by the Director as a processing fee.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Added "State filing fee retained as processing fee".

13:2-2.12 Application granted; proration of fee; refund

If the application for a new license is granted, except in connection with the issuance of a new license upon failure to timely renew under N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.18, the license fee shall be prorated from the effective date of the license; and where the amount deposited exceeds the prorated fee, the applicant shall be entitled to a refund of the excess. Any new license issued for failure to timely renew pursuant to N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.18 will be effective immediately following the last day of the preceding license term, and no prorating of fee is warranted.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Added "for a new license", "except in connection for failure to timely renew" and "effective immediately following last day of preceding term".

13:2-2.13 Special conditions

If a resolution granting an application for license is adopted sooner than five business days (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays) after publication of the second notice of application, the resolution shall set forth in a special condition that the license will not be issued until the five business days have elapsed. If a written objection to issuance of the license is filed within such period, the license shall not be issued pending hearing and further determination of the issuing authority.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Stylistic revisions.

Case Notes

Liquor license requirements would be relaxed where local authority's refusal to modify special conditions imposed on licensee were found to be unreasonable. *Wil-Dam Corp. t/a Shakers v. Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt*, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 131.

Action of the local issuing authority which approved its person-to-person license transfer application "subject to" local zoning board approval of petitioner's request to operate as a discotheque was an impermissible condition precedent and should be reversed. *The Iliad & Odyssey, Inc. v. Northvale*, 9 N.J.A.R. 382 (1983).

Local government body has principal jurisdiction and primary authority over imposition of special conditions for liquor license renewal; conditions restricting service to patrons at tables and in conjunction with restaurant operation reasonable; condition banning rock music unreasonable and vague (Division's Final Decision). *A.H.S., Inc. v. Tp. Committee, Tp. of Wall*, 1 N.J.A.R. 284 (1979), reversed (App.Div. 1980).

Nunzio DeFalco v. West Caldwell, ABC Bulletin No. 2243, Item No. 2 (October 15, 1976).

13:2-2.14 Changes in facts; application

(a) Whenever any change shall occur in the facts as set forth in any application for a retail license, the licensee shall file with the municipal issuing authority an amendment to the license application on a form prescribed by the Director reflecting the change and not later than 10 days after the occurrence.

(b) Corporate licensees shall file an amendment to reflect any stockholder change resulting in any person acquiring one percent or more of its stock. If the change affects less than one-third of the stock of the corporation, the licensee need only amend those pages that reflect the change in information. If the change affects one-third or more of the stock, a full application is required. Changes in limited partners shall be treated in the same manner as a stockholder change of a corporate licensee.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

In (a), added "an amendment to the license application on form promulgated by Director"; added (b).

Amended by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).

In (a), substituted "prescribed" for "promulgated".

13:2-2.15 Publication of notice of change in corporate structure; form

Every corporate licensee shall, in addition to filing written notice with the municipal issuing authority of changes in stockholdings, cause to be published a notice of change in corporate structure in the following form, not later than 10 days after the occurrence whenever the stockholder change involves a new individual acquiring one percent or more of the stock.

—NOTICE—

Take notice that on _____ a change
(Date)
occurred in the stockholdings of _____,
(Licensee)
trading as _____ holder of

(Trade Name, if any) _____ for premises located
 at _____
 (Type of License and Number)
 (No.) (Street) (Municipality)

resulting in the following persons, each acquiring in the aggregate one percent or more of the corporate licensee's stock:

Name	Residence Address

Any information concerning the qualifications of any of the above current stockholders should be communicated in writing to:

_____ of _____
 (Municipal Clerk) (Municipality)

 (Name of Licensee)

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.
 See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Added "not later than 10 days after the occurrence whenever the stockholder change involves a new individual acquiring one percent or more of the stock". Amended Notice.

13:2-2.16 Publication of notice of change in corporate structure

(a) The notice of change in corporate structure shall be published once in a newspaper printed in the English language, published and circulated in the municipality in which the licensed premises is located. If, however, there shall be no such newspaper, then the notice shall be published in a newspaper printed in the English language, published and circulated in the county in which the licensed premises is located.

(b) Proof of publication of such notice shall be furnished by the licensee to the municipal issuing authority within 10 days after the date of publication with a copy of the dated advertisement attached.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.
 See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

In (b), added "with copy of dated advertisement attached".

SUBCHAPTER 3. ISSUANCE OF RETAIL LICENSES BY MUNICIPAL ISSUING AUTHORITIES; SPECIAL REVIEW OF ATLANTIC CITY LICENSES

13:2-3.1 License certificate; form

The Director, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control shall establish the form and content of all license certificates and shall make certificates for licenses available to the municipal issuing authority in each municipality issuing licenses.

Repeal and New Rule, R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

13:2-3.2 Required records

The municipal issuing authority shall maintain full and complete records concerning each license in its municipality, including information relative to the license's issuance, renewal, transfer, disciplinary sanctions, special conditions, extension of license to a fiduciary, payment of fees and any other matter the director or municipal issuing authority may deem appropriate.

Repeal and New Rule, R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.
 See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

13:2-3.3 (Reserved)

Repealed by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.
 See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).
 Section was "Numbering license certificates".

13:2-3.4 License certificate signed by issuer

Each license certificate shall be signed either in the name of the municipality or its municipal board, whichever is the issuing authority. It shall also bear the actual signature, at the place indicated, of such municipal officer or agent as the governing board or body of the municipality or the municipal board, as the case may be, shall have designated to sign and to deliver such certificate on its behalf.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.
 See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Recodified from 13:2-3.6. Repealed section was "License certificate stubs".

13:2-3.5 Issuance of license certificate; resolution of issuing authority

(a) No license certificate shall be signed, issued or delivered by any person unless and until expressly directed to do so by a resolution of the issuing authority, which resolution shall, among other things, specifically set forth the name and trade name, if any, of the person, association, firm or corporation adjudged thereby to be entitled to a license, and the kind thereof, address of the licensed premises, and effective date of the license, and shall order issuance and delivery of such license by such municipal officer or agent as the issuing authority shall, thereby or by some previous resolution, designate to sign and deliver such certificate in its behalf.

(b) Unless another specific date is identified in the resolution concerning an application for issuance or transfer of a license, the effective date shall be the date of the adoption of the resolution by the issuing authority.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.
 See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Recodified from 13:2-3.7. Added (b). Repealed section was "Names on license certificates".

Case Notes

Liquor license limited to building area where alcohol served. The Quay, Inc. v. Sea Bright Borough Mayor and Council, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 15.

13:2-3.6 Certification of license activity

Each municipal issuing authority shall make or cause to be made daily certification to the Director of all licenses granted during the preceding business day, which certification shall include any license application filings or amendments, any fees to be remitted to the Director, and any resolutions adopted.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Recodified from 13:2-3.8. Added "license application filings, amendments, fees and resolutions". Deleted 1-9.

Amended by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).

Deleted enumeration of (a).

13:2-3.7 Atlantic City; alcoholic beverage licenses

(a) The Municipal Board of Alcoholic Beverage Control of the City of Atlantic City shall forward to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control a copy of all applications for issuance, renewal or transfer of any alcoholic beverage license.

(b) No action shall be taken by the Board with respect to any application until completion of an appropriate investigation by the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control or its designees.

(c) Upon completion of the investigation, the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control shall certify whether granting of the application is in the public interest.

(d) Upon a finding by the Division that granting of the application will not be contrary to the public interest, the Board may act upon the application in any way consistent with its legal authority.

(e) Upon a finding by the Division that the granting of the application would be contrary to the public interest, the Board shall deny the application.

(f) The applicant shall retain the right conferred by N.J.S.A. 33:1-22 to appeal to the Director from the denial of an application by the Board and shall be afforded a hearing.

R.1977 d.348, eff. September 16, 1977.

See: 9 N.J.R. 487(c).

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Recodified from 13:2-3.10. Stylistic revisions.

13:2-3.8 (Reserved)

Recodified to 13:2-3.6 by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Section was "Daily certification of licenses granted".

13:2-3.9 (Reserved)

Repealed by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Section was "Daily certification; accompanying resolution".

13:2-3.10 (Reserved)

Recodified to 13:2-3.7 by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

SUBCHAPTER 4. ISSUANCE, RENEWAL OR TRANSFER OF MUNICIPAL RETAIL LICENSES (OTHER THAN CLUB LICENSES) BY THE DIRECTOR

Subchapter Historical Note

All provisions of this subchapter were filed and became effective prior to September 1, 1969. This subchapter was readopted pursuant to Executive Order 66(1978) as R.1985 d.332, effective June 7, 1985. See: 17 N.J.R. 1052(a), 17 N.J.R. 1661(a). See chapter and section levels for further amendments.

13:2-4.1 Interest in issuance, renewal or transfer of license; application made to the division

(a) No municipal issuing authority may issue, renew or transfer a license to or from any of its members, or issue, renew or transfer a license to or from any corporation, organization, or association in which any of its members is interested directly or indirectly.

(b) No municipal issuing authority may transfer to other premises a license of any of its members, or transfer to other premises a license of any corporation, organization or association in which any of its members is interested, directly or indirectly.

(c) Whenever the municipal issuing authority is prohibited from acting by this section, or is unable to reach a quorum due to individual conflicts of interest, application must be made to the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control and shall be governed by this subchapter.

(d) The provisions of (a) and (b) above shall not apply to club licenses.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

In (c), clarified when application to Division must be made.

Amended by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).

Provided for license renewal and made (a) and (b) inapplicable to club licenses.

Case Notes

Inactive liquor license was renewed where evidence indicated that license would soon be activated. In re Application of Alcestis Land Corporation, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 112.

Holder of inactive liquor license would be allowed to renew that license where good cause existed inactive status. *Medina v. Board of Commissioners of the City of Union City*, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 85.

License holder's failure to apply for renewal of alcoholic beverage license for 1994-1995 and 1995-1996 license years precluded renewal for 1993-1994. In the Application of Georgia's Liquors and Deli, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 69.

Local authority must deny the person-to-person application for transfer of liquor license where disqualifying person is involved in sale of business receiving transfer. *Doc Cross v. Township of Hamilton*, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 60.

Good cause was not shown for renewal of inactive liquor license where license was inactive for ten years and there were no prospects for activation. In the Matter of 126 Center Corporation, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 57.

Strong public interest supported denial of place-to-place liquor license transfer to site where prior license generated numerous violations and public complaints. *Jaya v. City of Union City*, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 53.

Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control lacks jurisdiction to grant renewal where licensee allowed license to lapse. *R. & G. 795 Sanford Avenue Corp. v. Newark*, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 51.

Poor business judgement by absentee owner was insufficient excuse for untimely filing of alcohol license renewal request. *Barba v. Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control*, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 39.

Failure to demonstrate good grounds for liquor licensee's failure to file timely renewal application precludes special ruling to file for new license. In the Matter of the Application of City Garden Associates, Inc., 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 34.

Restricting plenary retail consumption license to retail distribution license was contrary to law. *P.I.J.'s v. Montville Township Township Committee*, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 19.

City may not deny place-to-place liquor license transfer based on unsupported claim that new location is trouble spot or on licensee's prior history of minor violations or on belief that city had issued too many liquor licenses. *El Porto Alegre v. Union City Board of Commissioners*, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 8.

Plenary retail consumption license should not have been denied renewal as inactive. Appeal from Denial of Renewal of Plenary Retail License, 95 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 133.

Inactive license was not subject to renewal when prognosis for activation was speculative and not definitive. *Matter of Jamesburg Inn*, 95 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 121.

Liquor license for bar/restaurant, given relatively minor incidents, should have been renewed instead of denied. *Starbo Corp. v. City of Asbury*, 95 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 107.

Issue with respect to first license term was moot after expiration of second license term. *Stork Club v. Alcoholic Beverage Control*, 95 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 100.

Factors beyond licensee's control demonstrated good cause for ninth year renewal of inactive Class C liquor license. *Sarkissian v. Alcoholic Beverage Control*, 95 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 52.

Reasonable conditions were placed upon licensee in alcohol-abuse counseling to obtain renewal of liquor license. *Hilcar v. New Brunswick*, 95 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 49.

Revised floor plan for conversion of plenary retail consumption license required resubmission for noncompliance with regulations. *SSAR v. City of Long Branch*, 95 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 35.

Attempt to revoke liquor license by converting renewal proceedings into disciplinary proceedings was improper. *What's Your Beef v. Plainfield*, 95 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 24.

13:2-4.2 Application to the Director

(a) Application to the Director shall be made upon the same application forms used in all applications for municipal licenses (copies are obtainable from the clerk of the municipality wherein the premises sought to be licensed are situated).

(b) The application shall be fully executed and submitted in triplicate.

Amended by R.1985 d.332, effective July 1, 1985.

See: 17 N.J.R. 1052(a), 17 N.J.R. 1661(a).

Duplicate changed to triplicate.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Stylistic revisions.

13:2-4.3 New or renewal license fees; certification by issuing authority

(a) Applications for a new license or for a renewal of an existing license shall be accompanied by a fee of \$50.00 in cash, money order or check drawn to the order of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

(b) A certification shall also be submitted from the municipal clerk, board secretary, or other responsible municipal official stating that the appropriate municipal fee has been paid and the amount of such fee.

Amended by R.1973 d.234, effective August 30, 1973.

See: 5 N.J.R. 356(a).

Amended by R.1980 d.304, effective July 3, 1980.

See: 12 N.J.R. 343(b), 12 N.J.R. 494(b).

Amended by R.1985 d.332, effective July 1, 1985.

See: 17 N.J.R. 1052(a), 17 N.J.R. 1661(a).

Duplicate changed to triplicate.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

In (a), deleted submission of supplemental forms requirement; redesignated (a)2. as (b) and added "board secretary".

Amended by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).

Deleted requirement that checks be certified.

13:2-4.4 Fee for license transfer to other persons or other premises; certification

(a) Applications for transfer of license to other persons only, or applications for transfer of license to other premises only (not combined) shall be accompanied by:

1. A fee of \$50.00 in cash, money order or check drawn to the order of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control and retained by the Director whether or not the transfer is granted, and accounted for as are other license fees.

2. A certification shall be submitted from the municipal clerk, board secretary, or other responsible municipal official that 10 percent of the full municipal annual license fee for said license has been paid and the amount of the fee.

Amended by R.1985 d.332, effective July 1, 1985.

See: 17 N.J.R. 1052(a), 17 N.J.R. 1661(a).

Added text "to the municipality . . . shall be paid."

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

In (a), added text on license transfer to "other premises only"; 10 percent fee requirement revised and designated (a)2.

Amended by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).

Deleted requirement that checks be certified.

13:2-4.5 Fee for combined transfers; certification

(a) Transfers of license both as to person and place may be applied for simultaneously and in a single application, accompanied by a fee of \$50.00 in cash, money order or check drawn to the order of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

(b) A certification shall also be submitted by the municipal clerk, board secretary or other responsible municipal official stating that 20 percent of the full municipal annual license fee for said license has been paid and the amount of the fee.

(c) Where there is a combined transfer application, the Director shall not approve a person-to-person transfer of the license if the place-to-place transfer is denied.

Amended by R.1985 d.332, effective July 1, 1985.

See: 17 N.J.R. 1052(a), 17 N.J.R. 1661(a).

Added text "to the municipality . . . shall be paid."

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Recodified from 13:2-4.6. Twenty percent fee requirement revised and designated (b); Director's duties clarified. Prior text at 13:2-4.5, "Fee for license transfer to other premises", repealed. The following annotations pertain to that section:

Amended by R.1973 d.234, effective August 30, 1973.

See: 5 N.J.R. 356(a).

Amended by R.1985 d.332, effective July 1, 1985.

See: 17 N.J.R. 1052(a), 17 N.J.R. 1661(a).

Added text "to the municipality . . . shall be paid."

Amended by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).

Deleted requirement that checks be certified.

13:2-4.6 Submission of issuing authority's resolution

There shall also be submitted to the Director a certified copy of a resolution adopted by the issuing authority of the municipality wherein the premises sought to be licensed are situated, setting forth that said issuing authority has no objection to the issuance, renewal or the transfer, as the case may be of the license applied for and consents thereto, and, furthermore, is not aware of any circumstances or provisions of law or local ordinance which would prohibit the issuance, renewal or the transfer, as the case may be of the license.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Recodified from 13:2-4.7. Submission "to the Director" clarified.

Prior text at 13:2-4.6, "Combined transfers", recodified to 13:2-4.5.

Amended by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).

Provided for license renewal.

13:2-4.7 Advertising notice of application

The rules applicable to the application, advertising and hearing rights concerning a municipal license or the transfer thereof (N.J.A.C. 13:2-2 and N.J.A.C. 13:2-7) shall apply when application is made to the Director. However, the notice of application, as published, shall state that such application has been made to, and objections if any should be addressed to: Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, PO Box 087, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0087.

Amended by R.1985 d.332, effective July 1, 1985.

See: 17 N.J.R. 1052(a), 17 N.J.R. 1661(a).

Change of address.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Recodified from 13:2-4.8. Added "hearing rights" and change of address. Prior text at 13:2-4.7, "Submission of issuing authority's resolution", recodified to 13:2-4.6.

Amended by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).

Changed Director's address.

13:2-4.8 Refund of fees

If the application for license issuance or transfer is denied for any reason whatsoever or withdrawn, a statutory refund of 90 percent of the fee deposited with the municipality shall be made by the municipality to the applicant. The remaining 10 percent shall be deemed an investigation and processing fee and shall be retained by the municipality. If an application for a renewal of license is denied, refund of fees shall be in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:2-11. The \$50.00 State fee required to accompany the application shall be retained as a processing fee by the Director.

Amended by R.1973 d.234, effective August 30, 1973.

See: 5 N.J.R. 356(a).

Amended by R.1980 d.304, effective July 3, 1980.

See: 12 N.J.R. 343(b), 12 N.J.R. 494(b).

Amended by R.1985 d.332, effective July 1, 1985.

See: 17 N.J.R. 1052(a), 17 N.J.R. 1661(a).

Fee changed from \$55.00 to \$50.00.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Recodified from 13:2-4.9. Added "processing fee" language. Prior text at 13:2-4.8, "Advertising notice of application", recodified to 13:2-4.7.

Amended by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).

Provided for refund of fees upon denial of license renewal application.

13:2-4.9 Proration of fee

If the application for a new license is granted, except in connection with the issuance of a new license upon failure to timely renew under N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.18, the license fee shall be prorated from the effective date of the license and where the amount deposited exceeds the prorated license fee, the applicant shall be entitled to a refund of the excess. Any renewal or new license issued pursuant to N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.18 will be effective immediately following the last day of the preceding license term, and no prorating of fee is permitted.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Recodified from 13:2-4.10. Added N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.18 exceptions.
Prior text at 13:2-4.9, "Refund of fees", recodified to 13:2-4.8.

13:2-4.10 Notice of change in facts in application

The rules applicable to filing a notice of change in the facts set forth in the application for a retail license and to publishing a notice of change in corporate structure and furnishing proof thereof (N.J.A.C. 13:2-2.14 through 2.16) shall apply to all retail licensees holding licenses issued by the Director. However, the licensee shall file such notice with and furnish such proof directly to the division; and where the notice concerns a change in corporate structure, the notice as published shall state that information concerning the qualifications of any of the stockholders of the corporate licensee shall be addressed to the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, PO Box 087, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0087.

Amended by R.1985 d.332, effective July 1, 1985.

See: 17 N.J.R. 1052(a), 17 N.J.R. 1661(a).

Address changed.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Recodified from 13:2-4.11. Deleted filing "with a municipal issuing authority" and stipulated filing of notice "directly to the Division"; cross-references correction; change of address. Prior text at 13:2-4.10, "Proration of fee", recodified to 13:2-4.9.

Amended by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).

Changed Director's address.

13:2-4.11 (Reserved)

Recodified to 13:2-4.10 by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Section was "Notice of change in facts in application".

SUBCHAPTER 5. ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PERMITS BY DIRECTOR

Subchapter Historical Note

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Subchapter 5 was re-adopted as R.1984 d.175, effective April 26, 1984. See: 16 N.J.R. 492(a), 16 N.J.R. 1277(a). See also Chapter Historical Note and section annotations.

13:2-22.4 Dates and location of training

The educational training programs required under this subchapter shall be available and reasonably accessible to all plenary and limited retail distribution licensees in the State. The training programs shall be offered at least once every three months, subject to need, in the geographical area covered by each of the current three telephone area codes in New Jersey; as well as at least once annually on a Statewide basis.

13:2-22.5 Designation of entity to conduct the training programs

In order to satisfy the training requirements on the most cost efficient basis, and in furtherance of the authority set forth in N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.45, the Director, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control may contract with a non-profit educational organization in this State to administer and conduct all or part of the educational training programs required by this subchapter.

13:2-22.6 Training program curriculum

(a) The Director, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, shall establish and revise annually the course content and shall approve the individual instructors or lecturers who will conduct the training programs, in consultation with any non-profit educational organization he or she may have contracted with in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:2-22.5.

(b) The curriculum for the initial training programs shall include, but is not limited to, an explanation and development of the following:

1. The provisions of the New Jersey Alcoholic Beverage Control Act, N.J.S.A. 33:1-1 et seq., as it relates to the distribution, transportation, sale, and marketing of alcoholic beverages by retail distribution licensees; with detailed emphasis placed on the provisions of law governing the sale and delivery of alcoholic beverages to persons under the legal age;

2. The rules and regulations promulgated by the Director, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, N.J.A.C. 13:2, governing the sale, advertising, transportation, required records, promotion and marketing of alcoholic beverages, the disciplinary and adjudicatory procedures and consequences attendant to violative activity, and the permitted and prohibited conduct and use of the license and the licensed premises;

3. The application of municipal ordinances and regulations concerning the licensure, hours of sale, location, restrictions and permitted use of retail licenses and licensed premises established by municipal governing bodies or municipal boards of alcoholic beverage control;

4. Relevant administrative policies and determinations of the Director, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, the requirements and procedures for the collection and remittance of New Jersey taxes, and other State and

Federal laws and regulations that impact upon the retail alcoholic beverage industry of the State of New Jersey; and

5. The relationship and application of the 10 point legislative declaration of policy and purpose set forth in N.J.S.A. 33:1-3 to the conduct and use of retail liquor licenses.

(c) The curriculum for the supplemental training program shall include, but not be limited to, any changes in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act or other related laws affecting retail licensed businesses, new or amended regulations of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, administrative and judicial policy changes, prevailing market or societal conditions and reinforcement or further expansion of matters addressed in the initial training program or revisions thereto.

Amended by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.
See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).

13:2-22.7 Registration fees

(a) Each attendee shall be required to pay a registration fee in an amount to be established by the Director, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, giving due consideration to the actual expenses required to properly operate and maintain the educational training programs. The cost of registration shall be reviewed annually by the Director against the actual operational expenses and adjusted accordingly. In no event shall the registration fee for each attendee be less than \$50.00 nor more than \$150.00.

(b) A schedule of registration fees and any subsequent amendments thereto shall be set forth and published in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Bulletin, and otherwise disseminated to all affected licensees.

(c) For purposes of administration, if the Director contracts with a non-profit educational organization pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:2-22.5, the full registration fee shall be remitted to the contracting educational organization. That organization shall forward 20 percent of the fee to the Director, within seven business days after receipt for deposit in the State Treasury. The balance of the fee shall be retained by the educational organization to reimburse it for the costs associated with the conduct and maintenance of the educational training programs, including the scheduling, notice and promotional expenses, site expenses, instructional expenses (other than personnel of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control or other State employees), course materials, and other related expenses.

(d) The non-profit educational organization shall maintain true and accurate books of account concerning all aspects of the operation and maintenance of the educational training program, which records shall be made available for inspection by the Director upon demand. The organization shall provide the Director with a full and complete fiscal

and operational report detailing the program's activities on an annual basis; and it shall post an adequate performance bond if required by the Director.

13:2-22.8 Certification of educational training or order of deferment

(a) Upon the satisfactory completion of an initial or any supplemental educational training program required under this subchapter, the holder of a plenary or limited retail distribution license shall receive from the Director, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, a Certificate of Educational Training. The certificate shall include the date and location of the completed training program, the name of the attendee or attendees on behalf of the licensee, and the licensee's name, address and license number. The Certificate of Educational Training may be displayed on the licensed premises and must be made available to the licensing issuing authority at the time of any application for renewal of the license.

(b) Any holder of a plenary or limited retail distribution license who is unable to attend an initial or supplemental training program within the required time period, may apply to the Director, no later than 30 days before the expiration of the requisite training time period, for a deferment of the requirement for attendance in the educational program. The request for deferment shall be made to the Director on a form to be prescribed by the Director and accompanied by a non-refundable processing fee of \$25.00. If the Director is satisfied that there is good cause for the deferment, the Director shall issue an Order of Deferment of the training requirement, subject to conditions thereon as may be appropriate.

Amended by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.
See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).

13:2-22.9 Sanctions for noncompliance

(a) Any holder of a plenary or limited retail distribution license who fails to attend and successfully complete the required initial or supplemental educational training program within the time period set forth in this subchapter, and who has not received a currently valid Order of Deferment, shall be subject to the following administrative sanctions to be imposed by the Director, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

1. The first failure to attend or successfully complete the training program within the time periods set forth in this subchapter shall constitute a first offense and shall subject the licensee to a monetary penalty of \$250.00 in lieu of institution of formal disciplinary proceedings, with a requirement that the training be completed within the following three months.

2. Failure to attend or successfully complete the training program within the three month extension after a first offense shall constitute a second offense and subject the licensee to a monetary penalty of \$500.00 in lieu of institution of formal disciplinary proceedings, with a requirement that the training be completed within the following three months.

3. Failure to attend or successfully complete the training program within the additional three month extension granted a second offender shall constitute a third offense and subject the licensee to a monetary penalty of \$1,000 in lieu of institution of formal disciplinary proceedings, with a requirement that the training be completed within the following three months.

4. Any failure to comply with the final three months extension afforded a third offender shall subject the licensee to formal administrative charges that can lead to an indefinite suspension of license, with leave granted to lift the suspension upon payment of a monetary penalty of \$2,000 and proof of satisfactory completion of the educational training program.

(b) False or misleading representations by a licensee in its petition for a deferment are grounds for suspension or revocation of its license.

Amended by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.
See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).

13:2-22.10 (Reserved)

Repealed by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.
See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).
Section was "Subchapter operative date".

SUBCHAPTER 23. CONDUCT OF LICENSEES AND PERMITTEES AND USE OF LICENSED PREMISES

Subchapter Historical Note

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Subchapter 23 was re-adopted as R.1984 d.51, effective February 14, 1984. See: 16 N.J.R. 29(a), 16 N.J.R. 428(a). See also Chapter Historical Note and section annotations.

13:2-23.1 Prohibition against serving persons under the legal age and intoxicated persons

(a) No licensee shall sell, serve or deliver or allow, permit or suffer the sale, service or delivery of any alcoholic beverage, directly or indirectly, to any person under the legal age to purchase or consume alcoholic beverages, or allow, permit or suffer the consumption of any alcoholic beverage by any such person in or upon the licensed premises.

(b) No licensee shall sell, serve or deliver or allow, permit or suffer the sale, service or delivery of any alcoholic beverage, directly or indirectly, to any person actually or apparently intoxicated, or permit or suffer the consumption of any alcoholic beverage by any such person in or upon the licensed premises.

Amended by R.1973 d.234, effective August 30, 1973.
See: 5 N.J.R. 356(a).

Amended by R.1980 d.304, effective July 3, 1980.

See: 12 N.J.R. 343(b), 12 N.J.R. 494(b).

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

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Law Review and Journal Commentaries

Dram Shop Act—Administrative Regulations—Alcohol—Comparative Negligence—Instructions. Steven P. Bann, 137 N.J.L.J. No. 3, 49 (1994).

Torts—Dram Ship Liability—Under New Jersey Law a Casino Patron Would Not Be Permitted to Recover Gambling Losses From a Casino That Served the Patron Free Alcohol and Allowed Him to Continue Gambling After He Became Visibly Intoxicated—Hakimoglu v. Trump. Anthony Fernandez, 26 Seton Hall L.Rev. 941 (1996).

Case Notes

Casino patron could not recover damages from casinos under dram shop liability doctrine for gambling losses allegedly caused by casinos' conduct in serving free alcoholic beverages to patron and allowing him to continue to gamble. Hakimoglu v. Trump Taj Mahal Associates, C.A.3 (N.J.)1995, 70 F.3d 291.

Casino Control Commission did not have exclusive primary jurisdiction over claims for gambling losses. Greate Bay Hotel & Casino v. Tose, C.A.3 (N.J.)1994, 34 F.3d 1227, rehearing and rehearing in banc denied.

Losses incurred by patron allowed to gamble while drunk were proximately caused by casino's negligence. Tose v. Greate Bay Hotel and Casino Inc., D.N.J.1993, 819 F.Supp. 1312.

Contributory negligence based on intoxication of patron is not available to casino. Tose v. Greate Bay Hotel and Casino Inc., D.N.J.1993, 819 F.Supp. 1312.

Tavern violated regulations requiring that premises be maintained in safe and orderly condition by continuing to serve unruly intoxicated patrons, even after its security guard had to break up altercation between patrons and another customer. Cassanello v. Luddy, 302 N.J.Super. 267, 695 A.2d 325 (N.J.Super.A.D. 1997).

Negligence under statute is not definable by reference to administrative regulations. Fisch v. Bellshot, 135 N.J. 374, 640 A.2d 801 (1994).

Prerequisites to establish tavern owner's negligence in serving alcoholic beverages to a patron noted. Geherty v. Moore, 238 N.J.Super. 463, 570 A.2d 29 (A.D.1990), certification granted 122 N.J. 148, 584 A.2d 219, appeal dismissed as improvidently granted 127 N.J. 287, 604 A.2d 110.

Finding that automobile accident was not proximately caused by motorist's intoxication, so that tavern owner was not liable supported by evidence. Geherty v. Moore, 238 N.J.Super. 463, 570 A.2d 29 (A.D. 1990), certification granted 122 N.J. 148, 584 A.2d 219, appeal dismissed as improvidently granted 127 N.J. 287, 604 A.2d 110.

Parents had duty to public to exercise reasonable care to arrange for competent supervision of their teenagers. Morella v. Machu, 235 N.J.Super. 604, 563 A.2d 881 (A.D.1989).

Insurer did not have duty to defend and indemnify bar in action by barmaid for wrongful termination in violation of public policy. John's Cocktail Lounge, Inc. v. North River Ins. Co., 235 N.J.Super. 536, 563 A.2d 473 (A.D.1989).

Licensee who sells package-alcoholic beverages to visibly intoxicated patron who thereafter negligently operates motor vehicle, is liable for injuries inflicted upon third party as a result thereof. Tilton v. Brombacher, 232 N.J.Super. 374, 556 A.2d 1337 (L.1989).

Tavern could be held 75% responsible for deaths and injuries caused by fire, in dram shop action wherein it was alleged that underage drinker negligently set house on fire. Finney v. Ren-Bar, Inc., 229 N.J.Super. 295, 551 A.2d 535 (A.D.1988).

Statute prohibiting underage person from entering casino imposed strict liability. State, Dept. of Law and Public Safety, Div. of Gaming Enforcement v. Boardwalk Regency Corp., 227 N.J.Super. 549, 548 A.2d 206 (A.D.1988).

Record supported the determination that the licensee delivered, either directly or indirectly, or "permitted or suffered" the delivery of beer to a person under legal age, even if a person of legal age had paid for the beer. N.J. Div. of Alcoholic Beverage Control v. H & H Wine and Spirit Shop, 216 N.J.Super. 532, 524 A.2d 466 (App.Div.1987).

Issue of whether owner of liquor store should reasonably have foreseen that underage purchaser would share liquor with minor injured in one car collision was question for jury. Thompson v. Victor's Liquor Store, Inc., 216 N.J.Super. 202, 523 A.2d 269 (App.Div. 1987).

Licensee's action dismissed against minor for lost profits due to license suspension caused by licensee's sale of liquor to minor who orally misrepresented age; licensee's failure to obtain written representation of minor's age was proximate cause of suspension. Faces, Inc. v. Kennedy, 185 N.J.Super. 113, 447 A.2d 592 (Law Div.1981), affirmed per curiam 185 N.J.Super. 77, 447 A.2d 572 (App.Div.1982).

Charges of serving liquor to intoxicated minors were dismissed where credible testimony established that minors had not been in bar on night in question. Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control v. Dom Sup Bar, Inc., 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 159.

Bar's liquor license was suspended for 30 days based upon minor's credible testimony that bartender sold him beer. Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control v. Hilcar, Inc., t/a Hilda's Place, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 115.

Monetary penalty in lieu of license suspension was appropriate for large hotel facility charged with sales of alcoholic beverages to minors. Governor Morris Association v. Township Committee of the Township of Morris, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 103.

Licensee that admitted selling alcohol to underage patron was not entitled to monetary penalty in lieu of license suspension. Alibi Inn v. Woodbridge Township, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 90.

Suspension of liquor license warranted where licensee allowed underage persons to frequent its tavern in violation of city ordinance. J-Kal v. City of Trenton, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 31.

Failure to require underage person to present identification warranted thirty-day suspension of liquor license. Montville Enterprises v. Township Council, 95 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 55.

Two concurrent suspensions imposed upon bar that served alcohol to minor and intoxicated person. Martin and Pearl Springman, Inc. v. Midland Park Borough, 94 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 90.

Failure to prove that liquor store owner sold alcohol to minors who were subsequently involved in a fatal car accident. Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control v. Chatfield and Connolly, Inc., 94 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 51.

Service to underage persons; allowing them to carry beer out of store after another person had paid for it. Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control v. Mr. G's, Inc., 92 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 52.

Suspension of license; sale of alcoholic beverages to a person under the legal age. De Cesare, Inc. v. City of Vineland, 92 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 37.

Fine in lieu of suspension of plenary retail consumption license. N.J.S.A. 33:1-31, 33:1-77. W.A.M. Night Clubs, Inc. v. Township Committee of the Township of Teaneck, 92 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 17.

Respondent guilty of selling alcoholic beverages to an underage individual (Decision of Div. of A.B.C.). Div. of Alcoholic Beverage Control v. H & H, 11 N.J.A.R. 478 (1986) affirmed 216 N.J.Super. 532, 524 A.2d 466.

Finding of not guilty of serving intoxicated person; conduct observed by licensee's employees did not give rise to conclusion by reasonable

person that customer was intoxicated. Div. of Alcoholic Beverage Control v. Harry M. Stevens, Inc., 5 N.J.A.R. 141 (1981).

13:2-23.2 Prohibiting sales or consumption of alcoholic beverages during elections; municipal option

No licensee shall sell or offer for sale at retail or deliver to any consumer any alcoholic beverage, or allow, permit or suffer the consumption of any alcoholic beverage in or upon the licensed premises while the polls are open for voting in any municipality in which an election is being held and the sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited during such election by municipal ordinance.

Amended by R.1970 d.101, effective August 24, 1970.

See: 2 N.J.R. 76(a).

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

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13:2-23.3 Closing premises during public emergency or crime investigation

No licensee shall sell, serve or deliver or allow, permit or suffer the sale, service or delivery of any alcoholic beverage, at retail, or allow, permit or suffer the consumption of any alcoholic beverage on the licensed premises, or allow, permit or suffer the retail licensed premises to be open, during any period for which any duly constituted State, county or municipal law enforcement authority, because of a public emergency or investigation of crime, has ordered the licensed premises to be closed, unless excepted by such authority to permit continuing conduct of business other than the sale of alcoholic beverages.

13:2-23.4 House-to-house solicitation forbidden

No licensee shall solicit from house-to-house, personally or by telephone, the purchase of any alcoholic beverage, or allow, permit or suffer such solicitation.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Stylistic revision.

13:2-23.5 Prohibited patrons; narcotics or other unlawful drugs; illegal activity or enterprise

(a) No licensee shall allow, permit or suffer in or upon the licensed premises the habitual presence of any known prostitute, gangster, racketeer, notorious criminal, or other person of ill repute.

(b) No licensee shall allow, permit or suffer in or upon the licensed premises any unlawful possession of or any unlawful activity pertaining to:

1. Narcotic drugs;
2. Controlled dangerous substances as defined by the New Jersey Controlled Dangerous Substances Act (N.J.S.A. 24:21-1 et seq.);

3. Controlled dangerous analogs as defined by the Comprehensive Drug Reform Act of 1987 (N.J.S.A. 2C:35-1 et seq.);

4. Any prescription legend drug, in any form, which is not a narcotic drug or a controlled dangerous substance or analog, as so defined; or

5. Drug paraphernalia as defined by N.J.S.A. 2C:36-1.

(c) No licensee shall allow, permit or suffer the licensed premises to be accessible to any premises upon which any illegal activity or enterprise is carried on, or the licensed premises or business to be used in furtherance or aid of or accessible to any illegal activity or enterprise.

Amended by R.1972 d.67, effective April 6, 1972.

See: 4 N.J.R. 50(a), 4 N.J.R. 105(c).

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

In (b), added numbered paragraphs, "Controlled dangerous analogs ..." and "Drug paraphernalia ...".

Case Notes

Revocation of liquor license was improper. County Hearth, Inc., v. Old Bridge Twp. Council, 221 N.J.Super. 293, 534 A.2d 424 (App.Div. 1987).

Law enforcement officers could not search the nonpublic areas of a licensed tavern for evidence of general criminality, unrelated to the operation of the licensed activity, without a search warrant. State v. Williams, 168 N.J.Super. 359, 403 A.2d 31 (App.Div.1979), affirmed 84 N.J. 217, 417 A.2d 1046 (1980).

Illegal drug activity on licensed premises with licensee's knowledge warranted revocation of license. Township of Nutley v. Rockyn Juke Box, 95 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 81.

Stockholder's crime of distribution of a controlled dangerous substance was one of moral turpitude; retail consumption license properly revoked. Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control v. Doug-Kar Corp., 92 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 21.

Employees selling drugs and guns and delivering liquor for off-premises consumption after legal hours of sale; suspension of license. N.J.S.A. 33:1-3.1. Director of the Div. of Alcoholic Beverage Control v. Vanmar Liquors, Inc., 92 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 9.

Sale of cocaine on premises warranted revocation of liquor license. Fischer v. Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, 92 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 1.

Violation found for unlawful sale of cocaine upon the premises; respondents offered transcribed record in lieu of producing witnesses at the hearing de novo (Division's final decision). T.L.S. Inc. v. City of Bayonne, 9 N.J.A.R. 403 (1985).

Violation found for employee's possession of narcotics paraphernalia on premises. Canal Street Pub, Inc. v. Municipal Bd. of Alcoholic Beverage Control, City of Paterson, 6 N.J.A.R. 221 (1982).

License suspended due to employee's sale of marijuana on premises; licensee must bear responsibility for employee's action; penalty mitigated by licensee's serious efforts to stop during trafficking on premises; 30 day suspension ordered (Division's Final Decision). Div. of Alcoholic Beverage Control v. Red Klotz Enterprises, Inc., 6 N.J.A.R. 13 (1982).

License revoked for cocaine trafficking on premises by majority stockholder; minority stockholders' lack of knowledge of activity not excusable in mitigation of penalty. Valdivia's Bar, Inc. v. Elizabeth City Council, 6 N.J.A.R. 161 (1981).

License suspended for allowing, permitting and suffering possession of controlled dangerous substance on premises; good faith effort to stop activity not found. Div. of Alcoholic Beverage Control v. Ty-Dan Corp., 5 N.J.A.R. 273 (1980), affirmed.

**13:2-23.6 Prohibition against immoral activities;
disturbance; nuisance on premises**

(a) No licensee shall engage in or allow, permit or suffer in or upon the licensed premises:

1. Any lewdness or immoral activity;
2. Any brawl, act of violence, disturbance, or unnecessary noise;
3. Nor shall any licensee allow, permit or suffer the licensed place of business to be conducted in such a manner as to become a nuisance.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

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Case Notes

Tavern owner duty-bound to summon police if reasonably foreseeable that patron may otherwise be harmed by criminal acts of another. *Dubak v. Burdette Tomlin Memorial Hosp.*, 233 N.J.Super. 441, 559 A.2d 424 (A.D.1989), certification denied 117 N.J. 48, 563 A.2d 817.

Violation finding upheld against challenge that regulation invalid due to lack of standard for lewdness; contested case decisions provide conduct illustrations or precedents for lewdness available to any licensee. *G. & J.K. Enterprises, Inc. v. Div. of Alcoholic Beverage Control*, 205 N.J.Super. 77, 500 A.2d 43 (App.Div.1985).

Violation of regulation by tavern owner does not give rise to action by policeman for injuries sustained in answering call for assistance. *Entwistle v. Draves*, 200 N.J.Super. 1, 490 A.2d 313 (App.Div.1985), affirmed 102 N.J. 559, 510 A.2d (1986).

Prior suspension of club's plenary retail consumption license for acts of lewdness by club's dancers supported new license suspension for repeat violation. *Jensa, t/a Club Phoenix v. The City of Asbury Park*, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 76.

Suspension of club's liquor license was warranted by multiple and flagrant violations of state law, including alleged incidents of lewd conduct by club's dancers and patrons. *Alcoholic Beverage Control v. Jayson, Inc.*, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 71.

Incidents of lewdness on business premises warranted suspension of liquor license. *D & Z Realty v. City of Asbury Park*, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 41.

Liquor license renewal denied where bar owners failed to comply with special condition and operated bar as a public nuisance. In the *Matter of Nathan's Realty, Inc.*, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 25.

Lewd conduct by dancers within sight of licensee warranted revocation of liquor license. *Alcoholic Beverage Control v. Quesada*, 95 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 88.

Illegal drug activity on licensed premises with licensee's knowledge warranted revocation of license. *Township of Nutley v. Rockyn Juke Box*, 95 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 81.

Lewdness of female go-go dancer warranted 45-day suspension of liquor license. *Jonilo v. Municipal Board*, 95 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 1.

Go-go bar's license revoked upon showing of lewd or immoral activity. *Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control v. Wemar, Inc.*, 94 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 82.

License suspended for allowing lewd and immoral conduct on premises ("Go-Go" dancers); good faith effort to stop activity not found. *State of N.J. v. G. & J.K. Enterprises, Inc.*, 8 N.J.A.R. 588 (1985).

License suspended for allowing lewd and immoral conduct on premises (topless dancers); while constitutionality of ordinance and regulation must be reviewed by court of plenary jurisdiction, regulation examined and found constitutional; violative activity not protected free speech. *Canal Street Pub. Inc. v. Municipal Bd. of Alcoholic Beverage Control, City of Paterson*, 6 N.J.A.R. 221 (1982).

13:2-23.7 Prohibition against lottery and gambling; exceptions

(a) No licensee shall engage in or allow, permit or suffer in or upon the licensed premises:

1. The conduct of any lottery;
2. Any ticket or participation right in any lottery to be sold or offered for sale;
3. Any pool-selling, bookmaking or any unlawful game or gambling of any kind;
4. Any slot machine or device in the nature of a slot machine which may be used for the purpose of playing for money or other valuable thing;
5. Nor shall any licensee possess, have custody of, or allow, permit or suffer in or upon the licensed premises any gambling paraphernalia including, but not limited to, any slip, ticket, book, record, document, memorandum or other writing pertaining in any way to any lottery, pool-selling, bookmaking or unlawful game or gambling of any kind.

(b) This rule shall not apply to bingo, raffles or New Jersey State Lottery, or tickets or participation rights therein, being conducted pursuant to appropriate license under the Bingo Licensing Law (N.J.S.A. 5:8-24), Raffles Licensing Law (N.J.S.A. 5:8-50), State Lottery Law (N.J.S.A. 5:9-11) or other activity authorized by State law. However, in any instance of bingo at licensed premises, no licensee, during the period between the commencement of the first and the conclusion of the last game, shall sell, serve, or deliver or allow, permit or suffer the sale, service, delivery or consumption of any alcoholic beverage in or upon any part of the licensed premises where the bingo or any part thereof is being conducted.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Revised heading.

Amended by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).

Prohibited gambling paraphernalia on licensed premises.

Case Notes

Video poker, blackjack, dice, roulette and other electronic forms of traditional gambling games or devices are slot machines within the meaning of this regulation and, therefore, are prohibited on licensed premises. *Rosenkranz v. Vassallo*, 193 N.J.Super. 319, 473 A.2d 991 (App.Div.1984) on remand 9 N.J.A.R. 297 (1984).

Warrant needed to search the nonpublic areas of a licensed tavern for evidence of general criminality, unrelated to the operation of the licensed activity. *State v. Williams*, 168 N.J.Super. 359, 403 A.2d 31 (App.Div.1979), affirmed 84 N.J. 217, 417 A.2d 1046 (1980).

Warrantless searches of persons and tavern for lottery slips upheld (citing former N.J.A.C. 13:2-21.7). *State v. Carangelo*, 151 N.J.Super. 138, 376 A.2d 596 (Law Div.1977).

Liquor license was suspended for various violations, including possession of illegal gambling device on premises. *Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control v. Deleon Inc.*, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (ABC) 95.

Video machine easily adapted to actual gaming cannot be placed upon liquor-licensed premises unless exception to the proscription have been issued for the machine. *Rosenkranz v. Div. of Alcoholic Beverage Control*, 9 N.J.A.R. 297 (1984).

13:2-23.8 Eastern Standard Time change

(a) On the first Sunday of April of each year, at 2:00 A.M., the clocks in each licensed premises will be advanced one hour in observance of Eastern Daylight Savings Time. The official time will then become 3:00 A.M., and in any municipality having a closing time later than 2:00 A.M., the remaining hours of sale will be calculated accordingly.

(b) On the last Sunday of October of each year, at 2:00 A.M., the clocks in each licensed premises will be turned one hour back in observance of Eastern Standard Time. The official time will be 1:00 A.M., and in any municipality having a closing hour later than 2:00 A.M., remaining hours of sale will be calculated accordingly.

(c) In either case, (a) or (b) above, licensed premises having closing hours of 2:00 A.M. or earlier, will be unaffected.

Amended by R.1980 d.304, effective July 3, 1980.

See: 12 N.J.R. 343(b), 12 N.J.R. 494(b).

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

In (a), "first Sunday" was "last Sunday".

Amended by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).

Added provisions for the "Official Time".

13:2-23.9 Prohibition against adulterated alcoholic beverages

(a) No licensee shall manufacture, transport, possess, sell, barter, give away, offer for sale or furnish any alcoholic beverages adulterated with any foreign or harmful substance.

(b) Nothing in this section shall prohibit licensees from storing and temporarily retaining such beverages for purposes of returning same to a manufacturer or wholesaler provided the container is immediately resealed and labeled with the name and address of the customer and the date of return by the customer.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Added (b).

13:2-23.10 Restriction upon receiving prohibited deliveries of alcoholic beverages

No licensee shall receive, possess or sell any alcoholic beverage transported into this State in violation of N.J.A.C. 13:2-20 and 13:2-21.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Added reference to 13:2-20.

13:2-23.11 Consumption of alcoholic beverages and possession of open containers prohibited upon retail distribution licensee's premises; exception

(a) No retail distribution licensee shall allow, permit or suffer any alcoholic beverage to be consumed in or upon the licensed premises nor shall such licensee possess or allow, permit or suffer any open containers of alcoholic beverage in or upon the licensed premises.

(b) Nothing in this provision shall prohibit opened bottles of alcoholic beverages returned by a customer as allegedly defective from being possessed by such licensee pending return to the manufacturer or wholesaler; provided the container is immediately resealed and labeled with the name and address of the customer and the date of return by the customer.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Revised and designated existing text as (a) and (b).

13:2-23.12 Receiving alcoholic beverages from prohibited source

(a) No retail licensee shall purchase or obtain any alcoholic beverage except from the holder of a New Jersey manufacturer's or wholesaler's license or pursuant to a special permit first obtained from the Director.

(b) The purchase of alcoholic beverages by one retailer from another and sale of alcoholic beverages by one retailer to another are prohibited; provided, however, that the passage of title in any alcoholic beverages from transferor to transferee of a license may be authorized by special permit obtained from the Director.

Amended by R.1990 d.412, effective August 20, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 1811(a), 22 N.J.R. 2508(c).

Designated existing text as (a) and (b).

Amended by R.1995 d.450, effective August 21, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 2051(a), 27 N.J.R. 3177(a).

Stylistic changes.

13:2-23.13 Maintaining copies of current license certificate; application, list of employees; availability for inspection

(a) No licensee shall conduct the licensed business unless:

1. The current license certificate is at all times conspicuously displayed on the licensed premises in such plain view as to be easily read by all persons visiting such premises;

2. A photostatic or other true copy of the application for the current license as well as the last filed long-form application (if current application is the short form), is kept on the licensed premises; and

3. A list, on a form prescribed by the Director, containing the names and addresses of, and required information with respect to, all persons currently employed on retail licensed premises, is kept on the licensed premises.

(b) Such application copy and such list shall be available for inspection by the Director, the Director's deputies, inspectors and investigators, and by any officer defined by N.J.S.A. 33:1-1(p).