

204 CMR 7.00: SPECIAL LICENSES

7.01: Notice by Local Authority

Not more than ten days after approving a license pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c. 138, s. 14 (Special License), the local licensing authority shall notify the Commission of such approval in writing. Such notice shall include the name of the city or town, the name and address of the licensee, date of the local authority's approval, the date or dates for which the license is effective, the hours during which sales are authorized, a description of the licensed premises, whether the license is for all alcoholic beverages, wines and malt beverages only, or either of them, whether the licensed activity or enterprise is for profit or nonprofit, whether the license is for a dining hall maintained by an incorporated educational institution authorized to grant degrees, and any restrictions attached to the license by the local authority. The Commission may require use of a form approved by the Commission for this purpose.

7.02: Licensee

A special license, other than a special license for a dining hall maintained by an incorporated educational institution authorized to grant degrees, may be issued only to a natural person, although the licensee may be a responsible manager acting on behalf of a corporation, partnership, or other entity.

7.03: Hours of Sale

The hours during which sales of alcoholic beverages may be made by a special licensee shall be fixed by the local authorities, but no special licensee may sell or deliver any alcoholic beverage between the hours of 2 A.M. and 8 A.M.

7.04: Duration

No special license, other than 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, nor may any person be granted special licenses permitting sales on an aggregate of more than 30 days in any calendar year.

7.05: Authorized Suppliers

No special licensee may sell any alcoholic beverage other than those purchased from a licensee under M.G.L. c. 138, §§ 18, 19, 19B, or 19C or from a holder of a special permit to sell issued under M.G.L. c. 138, § 22A.

7.06: Local Supervision

Whenever, in the opinion of the local licensing authorities, any applicant for a special license fails to establish to their satisfaction his compliance with the requirements of M.G.L. c. 138, duly promulgated state or local regulations, or any reasonable requirements which the local authorities may from time to time make with respect to such licenses or to the conduct of business by such licensees, said authorities may refuse to issue or reissue to any such applicant such license. Whenever in their opinion any special license holder fails to maintain compliance with the requirements of M.G.L. c. 138, regulations, and requirements, they may, after hearing or opportunity therefor, modify, suspend, cancel or revoke such license. The licensing authorities shall mail a notice of such action to the applicant or licensee, stating the reasons such action and shall at the same time mail a copy of such notice to the Commission.

7.07: Commission Supervision

The Commission may investigate the granting of any special license and the conduct of the business being done thereunder, and shall, after hearing, modify, suspend, or revoke or cancel such license if, in its opinion, circumstances warrant.

7.08: Severability

The provisions of 204 CMR 7.00 are severable, and if any provision or the application thereof is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any other provision of 204 CMR 7.00.