

COVID-19 UPDATE



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Dear licensees

The Office of Liquor and Gaming Regulation has received a range of questions from licensees in relation to the response to the COVID-19 pandemic. I have dealt with a number of the matters raised in the following Q&As and will continue to keep you informed as the situation evolves.

Q: Are golf clubs allowed to continue to operate?

A: Licensed golf clubs are permitted to allow people to play golf. However golf clubs are not permitted to sell alcohol or food for on-premises consumption. Clubs must adhere to the following:

- The club house and external food and drink areas are to remain closed.
- While you are permitted to sell alcohol for home consumption, it cannot be consumed on-premises or on a golf course that forms part of licensed premises.
- The requirements of social distancing are to be adhered to while playing, i.e. at least 1.5m from the nearest person.

Members, guests and reciprocal members may purchase alcohol for home consumption where the venue is operating a takeaway service.

Q: Can licensees offering takeaway now advertise outside their venue?

A: There is no restriction in the Liquor Act for advertising for takeaway alcohol or alcohol ordered online or by phone.

However, licensees should note that they cannot participate in unacceptable practices or promotions that encourage irresponsible consumption.

Q: Can I sell my alcohol through a third-party site?

A: No. Only persons who hold a liquor licence have the authority to sell or supply liquor. You can't order alcohol through a third party. All orders have to go to the licensee but you can get the alcohol delivered through a third party.

All licensed premises should have a system of control in place to ensure liquor is not sold to minors or intoxicated persons.

Regards

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