



Date: December 8, 2009

To: All LCLB staff
All Industry Associations
All Local Government, First Nations, and Police Agencies

Re: Automatic extension to hours of service in communities where the
Olympic/Paralympic licence is available if authorised by local government

The purpose of this policy directive is to explain the effect on licensees of local government bylaws and resolutions permitting extended hours of liquor service during the Olympic Games in areas where the Olympic/Paralympic (O/P) licence is available.

The areas where the OP licence is available are:

- Burnaby
- Richmond
- Surrey
- Vancouver
- District of Squamish
- District of West Vancouver
- Regional District of Squamish-Lillooet
- Resort Municipality of Whistler
- UBC's Point Grey Campus

If a local government in an area where the O/P licence is available passes a bylaw or a Council resolution extending the hours of liquor service for food primary and/or liquor primary licences during all or part of the month of February, 2010, a food primary or liquor primary licence in that jurisdiction will be deemed to have been amended to extend its hours to what the bylaw or Council resolution allows between the dates in February, 2010, which are provided for in the bylaw or Council resolution.

A licensee does not have to apply for this extension of hours.

A licensee is not required to remain open for these extended hours.

Liquor inspectors will be advised by the Branch by email of each local government jurisdiction which adopts a bylaw or resolution allowing for extended hours of service, what the extended hours are and the dates between which those extended hours are permitted.

As of the date of publication of this policy directive, the following extended hours of liquor service have been approved by local government:

Location	Licence Type	Extended Hours	Dates
Whistler	Food & Liquor Primary establishments with current closing time of 1 a.m. or earlier*	1:30 a.m.	February 12-28, 2010
Whistler	Liquor Primary "nightclubs" with current closing time of 2 a.m.*	2:30 a.m.	February 12-28, 2010
Vancouver	Food and Liquor Primary establishments with current closing time of 2 a.m. or earlier	2 a.m. everyday day of the week	February 8 – 28, 2010
Vancouver	Liquor Primary establishments with current closing time of 3 a.m. on weekends	3 a.m. every day of the week	February 8 – 28, 2010

* No change to hours for food primary or liquor primary (other than "nightclubs") establishments with current closing time of 1:30 a.m. or later

Licensees not in Whistler or Vancouver should check to see if their local government in an O/P eligible area have provided for similar extended hours of liquor service.

Licensees who wish to start liquor service earlier than their regular time must apply in the usual manner for a temporary change to their licence (use Form LCLB 023).

Further Information

Further information regarding liquor control and licensing in British Columbia is available on the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch website at www.hsd.gov.bc.ca/lclb. If you have any questions regarding these changes, please contact the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch toll free in Canada at 1-866-209-2111 or 250-387-1254 if calling from the Victoria area.



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