

November 26, 2020

TO: Class A – F Liquor Licensees

RE: New restrictions on liquor licensed establishments

On November 24, 2020, the Alberta government announced new restrictions for all liquor licensed establishments. Effective November 27, all restaurants, bars, pubs and lounges in regions under government's enhanced status will be open with restrictions if they follow all public health guidance in place including:

- Maximum of six people from the same immediate household at a table and no movement between tables.
- People who live alone can meet with up to two non-household contacts as long as they are the same two throughout the duration of these restrictions
- Only seated eating and drinking is permitted. No other services or entertainment will be allowed, including billiards, games or darts.

These new restrictions are in addition to the restrictions announced on November 12 to all regions under government's enhanced status for licensees to cease liquor service by 10 p.m. Food service and all consumption must end at 11 p.m. and the licensed premises (with the exception of Class B licensees) must close to in-person service. Licensed establishments may continue to provide food and liquor pickup and delivery service after 11 p.m. – up to the end time on their licence. These restrictions will continue to be in place effective November 27. For full details on the November 12 announcement on reducing service hours affecting Class A-F licensees, please visit aglc.ca/covid-19.

Liquor stores and Class E manufacturers with a storefront may remain open with capacity limited to 25% occupancy.

AGLC appreciates all the efforts made by licensees thus far to follow the guidance in place and protect your patrons. Limiting the number of people from the same household, hours of liquor consumption, capacity and operating hours will support businesses in staying open, while limiting the duration of patron interactions associated with social gatherings.

AGLC is assigning additional resources to support compliance with this new restriction and will continue to work with all licensed venues. We ask all owners/operators to comply with public health guidance from Alberta's Chief Medical Officer of Health on the new restrictions.

Venues that contravene the direction of the Chief Medical Officer of Health risk immediate suspension of their licence.

For the most up-to-date information on recommendations for restrictions applicable to businesses and mass gatherings, please visit Alberta.ca/COVID-19.

If you have any questions, please contact AGLC's Compliance Branch at inspections.mailbox@aglc.ca. Include your operating name, licence number and city/town in the subject line of your email.

Sincerely,



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