

## Article - Alcoholic Beverages

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§11-524.

(a) In Worcester County, notwithstanding any other provisions of this subtitle, no holder of any retail alcoholic beverage license shall be permitted to sell, barter, deliver or give away, or otherwise dispose of any alcoholic beverages, or permit any alcoholic beverages to be consumed on the licensed premises, except as hereinafter provided.

(b) (1) Except as provided in subsections (c) and (d) of this section, no alcoholic beverages may be sold between the hours of 2:00 a.m., prevailing time, on Sunday, and 9:00 a.m., prevailing time, on Monday; nor between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. on the remaining days of the week.

(2) However, where sales are permitted until 2:00 a.m., alcoholic beverages may not be consumed later than 2:30 a.m., at which time, the licensed premises shall be vacated by all patrons.

(c) In the sections of this article set forth in this subsection, the hours for sale in Worcester County shall be:

(1) Section 3-101 — Class A beer

(i) 6-day license — 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning, but there shall be no sales between 2:00 a.m. Sunday and 6:00 a.m. Monday.

(ii) 7-day license — 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning, except that on Sundays the licensee may reopen at 6:00 a.m. and remain open until 2:00 a.m. the following Monday.

(2) Section 3-201 — Class B beer

(i) 6-day license

(A) (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning.

(B) (on-sale) 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning.

(C) There may be no sales between 2 a.m. Sunday and 6:00 a.m. or 9:00 a.m. Monday, respectively.

(ii) 7-day licenses

(A) Countywide (exclusive of tenth election district) as stated in § 3-201 — (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning and on Sundays (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Monday; (on-sale) 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following

morning and on Sundays 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. Monday.

(B) Tenth election district, as stated in § 3-201 — (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2 a.m. the following morning and on Sundays (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Monday morning.

(C) (on-sale) 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning.

(3) Section 3-301 — Class C beer

The hours for sale shall be from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 a.m. the following morning, except that there be no sales on Sundays between 2:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. Monday mornings.

(4) Section 3-401 — Class D beer

(i) 6-day license

(A) (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning.

(B) (on-sale) 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning.

(ii) 7-day license

(A) Countywide (exclusive of tenth election district) as stated in § 3-401 — (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning and on Sundays (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Monday; (on-sale) 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning and on Sundays 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. Monday.

(B) Tenth election district, as stated in § 3-401(n) — (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning and on Sundays (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Monday.

(C) (on-sale) 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning.

(5) Section 5-101 — Class A beer and light wine

(i) 6-day license — 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning, but there shall be no sales between 2:00 a.m. Sunday and 6:00 a.m. Monday.

(ii) 7-day license — 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning, except that on Sundays the licensee may reopen at 6:00 a.m. and remain open until 2:00 a.m. the following Monday.

(6) Section 5-201 — Class B beer and light wine

(i) 6-day license

(A) (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning.

(B) (on-sale) 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning.

(C) There may be no sales between 2:00 a.m. Sunday and 6:00 a.m. or 9:00 a.m. Monday, respectively.

(ii) 7-day licenses

(A) Countywide (exclusive of tenth election district) as stated in § 5-201 — (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning and on Sundays (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m., Monday morning.

(B) Tenth election district, as stated in § 5-201 — (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning and on Sundays (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Monday morning.

(C) (on-sale) 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning.

(7) Section 5-301 — Class C beer and light wine

The hours for sale shall be from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 a.m. the following morning, except that there shall be no sales on Sundays between 2:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. Monday mornings.

(8) Section 5-401 — Class D beer and light wine

(i) 6-day license

(A) (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning.

(B) (on-sale) 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning.

(ii) 7-day license

(A) Countywide (exclusive of tenth election district) as stated in § 5-401 — (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning and on Sundays (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Monday.

(B) Tenth election district, as stated in § 5-401 — (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning and on Sundays (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Monday.

(C) (on-sale) 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning.

(9) Section 6-201 — Class B beer, wine and liquor

(i) 6-day license

(A) (off-sale) — 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning for the sale of beer and light wine only — 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning for

the sale of liquor also

(B) (on-sale) — 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning

(ii) 7-day license

(A) (off-sale) — 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning for the sale of beer and light wine only — 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning for the sale of liquor also

(B) (on-sale) — 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning

(C) Sundays — (on-sale) — 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Monday morning (off-sale) — 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning.

(iii) Section 6-201(y) licensees may sell during the hours specified in (ii), or during whatever lesser hours specified by the Ocean City Convention Hall Commission.

(10) Section 6-301 — Class C beer, wine and liquor

(i) 6-day license — 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m., the following morning

(ii) 7-day license — 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m., the following morning

(iii) Sundays — 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m., the following Monday

(11) Section 6-401 — Class D beer, wine and liquor

(i) 6-day license

(A) (off-sale) — 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning for the sale of beer and light wine only — 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning for the sale of liquor also

(B) (on-sale) — 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning

(ii) 7-day license

(A) (off-sale) — 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning for the sale of beer and light wine only — 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning for the sale of liquor also

(B) (on-sale) — 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning

(C) Sundays — (on-sale) — 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Monday morning and (off-sale) 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following morning.

(d) Holders of seven day licenses under §§ 6-201(y) and 6-401(j) of this article

also may serve alcoholic beverages to conventions or any other groups approved by the Board of License Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of § 7–101(t) of this article.

(e) In Worcester County Sunday sales when December 31 or January 1 fall on a Sunday shall be governed by § 11–402(y) of this article.

(f) (1) In order to qualify for all “on–sale” Class B, C, and D licenses, the licensed premises shall be equipped with public restrooms with a minimum of at least one for each sex, and shall be connected to a health department approved public or private water and waste system.

(2) If the Worcester County Board of License Commissioners finds that the requirements of paragraph (1) of this subsection will impose an undue hardship on the applicant, the Board may waive the requirements.

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