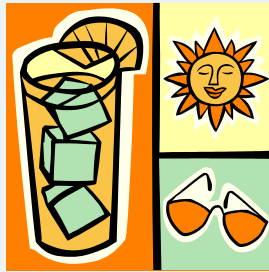


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Summer time...summer time...summer time...

We sure hope that summer time is finding all of you having a great year so far. We have been extremely busy in the City Clerk's office. With the economy the way it is, Liquor Licensing never slows down. We have seen movement, new openings, transfers, and lots of miscellaneous questions. Remember there is never a question that we don't want you to ask, we want all of you to stay in compliance.

What's new....SB 14-054 concerning the ability of an alcohol beverage licensee to petition the licensing authority to pay a fine in lieu of a license suspension ordered by the licensing authority. The bill allows liquor licensees who have multiple violations within a 2 year period of time to offer to pay a fine rather than have their license suspended for a liquor law violation. The acceptance of a fine would remain within the discretion of the licensing authority. The bill passed both houses unanimously and was signed into law by the Governor of April 11, 2014. This bill became effective of 4/11/2014.

## ***Don't Let Your License Expire!!***

During the past year, there has been numerous stories about liquor licensees who have failed to renew their liquor licenses. In most of the cases, the licensee has said that they never received their liquor license renewal application from the Colorado Liquor Enforcement Division. Typically the Division will mail a licensee their license renewal application around 90 days prior to the license expiration date. The renewal application is mailed to the license holder's last known address. The City Clerk's office will mail out a reminder letter 90-100 days prior to let you know to be looking for this. We can never match up exact mailings, so we usually get a call from the license holder in a panic that they have not gotten anything from the State. Just be patient. You should see it soon, or vice versa. If you get your renewal but have not received the letter from us, it should be right around the corner. You should have plenty of time, it is due to the City Clerk's office 45 days (CRS-12-47-302) before you expire. If you haven't received your renewal from the State by 47 days before your expiration date, call us.



## What happens if you don't submit your renewal application in a timely manner?

If your renewal application is submitted after the license expiration date you can not sell alcohol beverages until you submit a renewal application along with a \$500 late application fee. This procedure is only allowed as long as the license has not been expired for more than 90 days. If your license has been expired for more than 90 days, then you will have to apply for a new liquor license under the provisions found in CRS 12-47-311.



### Colorado Liquor and Beer Code, Special Events Permits, and Colorado Liquor Rules

Just a reminder that you can go to the State Liquor Enforcement's website at: <http://www.colorado.gov/revenue/liquor> to get the laws and rules. Click on the Laws and Rules button and then select Liquor. Displayed will be the Colorado Liquor Code; Colorado Beer Code; Special Events Permits; and Colorado Liquor Rules. Each of these are an Adobe PDF file that you can open with Adobe Reader and are searchable. There have been lots of changes so we encourage you to go take a look and even print these out to have a copy on hand at your establishment. The Colorado Liquor Rules have been updated as of *February, 2014*.



# 2014 "FREE" Alcohol Server Responsibility Training Schedule

**ALL DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**



The City of Grand Junction along with the Police Department offers a fun and informative method of educating anyone who dispenses alcohol and how they can protect themselves and the establishment.

**The dates (subject to change) for 2014 are:**

Wednesday, August 13, 2014, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Tuesday, October 21, 2014, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Thursday, December 11, 2014, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

**This training will be in the City Hall Auditorium  
250 N. 5th Street**

Flyers will be sent out electronically and posted to the City's website at <http://gjcity.org/Liquor.aspx> approximately a month in advance, but you can register anytime by calling 244-1510 or emailing [juanitap@gjcity.org](mailto:juanitap@gjcity.org).



## **OTHER NEWS TO NOTE!!!**

Effective July 2, 2014—Colorado Department of Revenue, Liquor & Tobacco Enforcement here in Grand Junction has moved to a new location. It is 632 Market Street, Suite G3. Watch for an “Open House” later this summer.

### **Regulation 47- 416. Items Approved for Sale in Retail Liquor Stores.**

No person licensed to conduct the business of a retail liquor store shall sell, offer or expose for sale or distribute within the State of Colorado any commodities, items or articles of commerce except the following:

- A. Malt, vinous and spirituous liquors, soft drinks, milk, mixers, and mixes, all in sealed containers for consumption off the premises.
- B. Cigarettes, cigars and other tobacco and tobacco products intended for human consumption or use.
- C. Smoking supplies, including: Mechanical lighters and fluid, wicks, flints and other replacement parts for mechanical lighters; ashtrays, matches and containers for matches; cigarette rollers; cigarette and cigar holders, filters, and replacement parts for such holders and filters; cigar cutters and punches; cigar humidors, humidification solution and sponge blocks; pipes and pipe cleaners, filters, reamers, and other accessories and replacement parts for pipes.
- D. Pumps, pumping devices, taps, or any equipment or devices, which are to be used only in connection with, and for the sole purpose of, dispensing malt liquor from sealed containers. Cartridges containing carbon dioxide gas or other propellants necessary for the use of pumps, pumping devices, or taps.
- E. General bar equipment, portable bars (home use only), bartender guides, bar towels, blenders, fruit squeezers, bottle openers, can openers, coasters, cork screws, drink shakers, drip rings, party clips that attach wine glasses to plates, shot measures, soda siphons or soda mixers, stir sticks, trays, glass washing equipment, ice, buckets, ice crushers, and ice machines.
- F. All types of dispensers, decanters, pitchers, flasks, glasses, glass holders, mugs, coolers, and liquor travel cases.
- G. Beverage publications, books, or magazines, where the use or content is focused primarily on alcohol beverages or the alcohol beverage industry. Electronic versions of the same are acceptable if they are read-only and not reusable.
- H. Beer brewing kits that contain brewing equipment and/or commercially packaged, pre-mixed, self-contained, add-water-only ingredients. Wine making kits, wine racks, wine storage units (home use only), wine inventory/cataloging systems, and related accessories.
- I. Bottle neck greeting cards, gift baskets, synthetic packaging material for gift baskets, gift wrap, and ribbons.
- J. Olives, cocktail garnishes as authorized pursuant to 12-47-407, C.R.S., fresh lemons, fresh limes, and maraschino cherries.
- K. Liquor-filled candy, hangover remedies that are specifically labeled as a hangover reliever, herb bitters, and breath fresheners that are specifically labeled as a remedy to remove alcohol breath.
- L. Devices purported to measure the alcohol content of the breath or blood.
- M. Automated cash machines that are provided solely for the convenience of retail liquor store customers.
- N. Other non-food items related directly to the consumption of alcohol beverages as approved by the state licensing authority, by rule or otherwise.

# Phone Numbers

*City Clerk's Office  
(970) 244-1510*

*Denver State Liquor Enforcement Office  
(303) 205-2300*

*Local State Liquor Enforcement Investigators Brian  
Turner, Lisa Maestas, and Tony Marsh  
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*City of Grand Junction Liquor Enforcement  
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