

GRAND JUNCTION GRAPEVINE

A Quarterly Newsletter to all Grand Junction Liquor Licensees

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LEGISLATIVE NEWS

On March 24, 1998, Senate Bill 67 was signed into law allowing ownership in up to three (3) Tavern-class liquor licenses. This law modifies the previous restriction, which allowed an ownership interest in only one (1) Tavern-class license.

Other provisions of this new law include:

-Prohibits a person with an interest in a tavern-class liquor license from having an ownership interest in any other class of liquor license except an Airline Public Transportation System License or an Arts License.

-Requires a Tavern-class liquor license holder to individually manage his/her licensed premises or register a separate manager. No person can be registered to manage more than one licensed premise.

-Sets a fee for each manager's registration in the amount of \$75 payable to both the local licensing authority, (the City of Grand Junction), and the Colorado Department of Revenue.

-Requires when a person ceases to be a registered manager, the licensee must notify the local licensing authority within 5 days of such change, and within 30 days designate and register a new manager for that location.

LIQUOR AWARENESS TRAINING PROGRAM

On December 4, 1998, the City Clerk's Office will offer for the first time, a **Liquor Awareness Training** program for all liquor licensees and their employees. This will be the first of an on-going program that the City of Grand Junction will be offering for liquor licensees.

Some of the topics that will be covered are: the renewal process, filing procedures for changes in the license, over-service issues, proper identification and new laws and regulations.

Please fill out your registration and mail it in ASAP to assure your spot.

We are very excited about this new program and hope to see you there!

Did you know that you are to have on premise at all times a copy of the State of Colorado Liquor and Beer Codes? To get your copy contact:

**State Forms Center
State of Colorado
4200 Garfield
Denver, CO 80216
(303) 321-4164**

WELCOME TO A NEW LICENSEE!

The City of Grand Junction and the Local Licensing Authority welcome the addition of Wigout Productions dba the Mesa Theater as a new tavern liquor licensee.

The refurbishing of the Mesa Theater is a welcome addition to the Downtown area.

Congratulations to the Mesa Theater!

Occupational Tax

All licensees: You will be receiving the renewal notice on your occupational tax the middle of December. This becomes due and payable by January 1, 1999.

Below are the classifications and the amounts due.

Class A- Hotel/Restaurant and Beer/Wine	\$300.00
Class B- Tavern	\$500.00
Class C- Retail Liquor	\$300.00
Class E- Club	\$150.00
Class J- Arts	\$150.00
Class G- 3.2% Beer On Premise	\$100.00
Class H- 3.2% Beer On/Off Premise	\$300.00
Class I- 3.2% Beer Off Premise	\$100.00

Your occupational tax will be delinquent on February 1, 1999.
Mark your calendars!

Important Telephone Numbers

City Clerk
244-1509

City Sales Tax
244-1521

State Liquor Enforcement
(303) 205-2300

Renewal Filing Reminder

State Statute requires that all renewal applications be submitted to the City Clerk's Office no less than **45 days before** the expiration date!!!

Due to Renew

The following licenses are due for renewal before 12/31/98:

	Expiration Date
The Corral	11/12/98
Junct'N Square	11/16/98
Rite Aid	11/19/98
City Market #28	12/01/98
Wrigley Field	12/04/98
Suehiro Japanese Restaurant	12/05/98
Orchard Mesa Lanes	12/07/98
Todo Bien!	12/11/98
The Sports Page	12/12/98
C & F Food Store #9	12/20/98
The Winery	12/31/98
V.F.W.	12/31/98
Bookcliff Country Club	12/31/98
Eagles Lodge #595	12/31/98

Late Renewals

If your license has expired and you notice it within 90 days from the date of expiration, you must pay an additional \$500 to both the City and the State Licensing Authorities and the license can be renewed. These fees are in addition to your license fees.

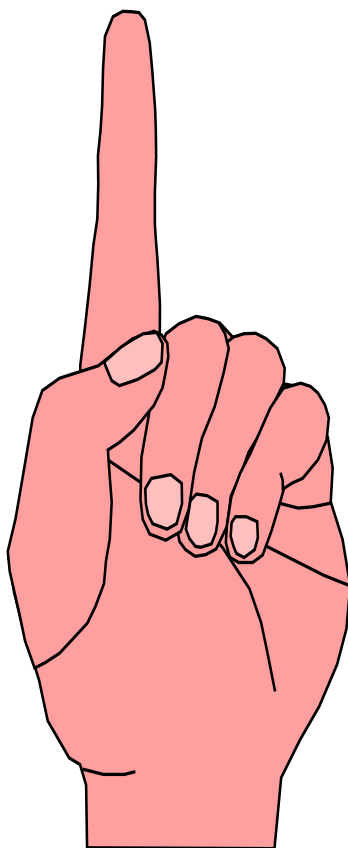
If you do not file within 90 days from the date of expiration, you must apply for a totally new license. It is unlawful to continue to sell, serve, or distribute alcohol beverages without valid local and state liquor or beer licenses.

12-47-302(2)(a) and 12-47-302(2)(b)

Posting Licenses

Liquor and Beer licensees must have current, valid State and Local liquor or beer licenses, sales tax and food service licenses posted conspicuously on the licensed premises so that the general public may see them.

12-47-301(4)(a)



Premises

All alcohol beverage licensees must have possession of the premises at all times (for the full licensing period) by deed, lease, sub-lease, etc. Exterior licensed areas must be in possession of the licensee, who must be able to demonstrate control over the areas licensed. For example, controlling access to and from an outdoor patio area is essential to ensure all alcohol beverages purchased from the business, remain on the licensed premises.

12-47-301(3)(b)

Division Web Page

The Liquor Enforcement Division has an informational web site that includes copies of all Division publications, informational pamphlets, the Colorado Liquor and Beer Code Statutes and Regulations and copies of license and permit applications. This web page can be found at: http://www.state.co.us/gov_dir/revenue_dir/liquor.html

Food Requirements:

Hotel and Restaurant:

Must be a *bonafide* restaurant with a full menu. 25% of sales (between food and drink) must be from sale of full meals.

Tavern:

Must have light snacks (chips, pretzels, nuts, etc.) and sandwiches (prepackaged pizzas, burritos, subs, etc.) available for consumption during all business hours.

Beer & Wine: Same as a Tavern.

Retail Liquor Store:

May not sell food items.

Club:

No food requirements.

Arts:

No food requirements.

Brewpub:

Must be a *bonafide* restaurant with a menu. At least 15% of the sales (between food and drink) must be from the sale of full meals.