



TOWN OF SUNDERLAND

BRING YOUR OWN BOTTLE [BYOB]

POLICY

The Board of Selectmen is the licensing authority for Common Victualler licenses pursuant to MGL c. 140, §6, and is the Local Licensing Authority defined in MGL c. 138 and Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (ABCC) regulations.

No permission shall be granted to holders of Common Victualler licenses to allow patrons to bring their own beer, wine, or other alcoholic beverages for their own private consumption onto the premises while on-premise alcohol licenses are available in the Town of Sunderland. When all such licenses available for issuance under the General Laws have been issued, the Board of Selectmen may reconsider the matter.

No permission shall be granted to holders of Common Victualler licenses whose establishments are an accessory building or use as defined in Zoning Bylaw §125-2, to allow patrons to bring their own beer, wine, or other alcoholic beverages for their own private consumption onto the premises.

In the event that the Town has reached its statutory threshold of on-premise alcohol licenses, and upon receipt of written request from a Common Victualler license holder to allow patrons to bring their own alcoholic beverages into the establishment, the Board of Selectmen may schedule a public hearing to determine whether to grant the Common Victualler license holder such permission, grant permission with specific conditions attached to the Common Victualler license, or deny the request.

In the event of a violation of a condition attached to a Common Victualler license, the Board of Selectmen, following notice and a hearing in accordance with MGL c. 140, §9, may suspend or revoke the license.

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