

LAST CALL



INAUGURAL CELEBRATION REGISTRATION

D.C. Law 19-168, the Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Support Act of 2012 (Act) allows eligible on-premise retailers to register with ABRA by **Monday, January 7, 2013** to extend their hours during Inauguration Week, which occurs on January 15, 2013 through January 21, 2013. The registration process allows eligible on-premise licensees during Inauguration Week to sell or serve alcoholic beverages until 4 a.m. and operate 24 hours a day.

- Registration is required. There is a *daily* fee of \$250 for nightclubs, \$100 for restaurants and taverns, and \$50 for hotels, multipurpose facilities, and other license classes.
- Nightclubs are also required to submit a public safety plan.
- A separate inaugural license from ABRA will be issued and must be posted at your establishment for the 7-day period.

The Act does not alter the two-hour kitchen requirement for restaurants. As such, restaurants serving alcoholic beverages until 4 a.m. will be required to serve food until 2 a.m.

In order to be eligible for the extended hours, you must register with ABRA and either: (1) not have a voluntary agreement or (2) possess a voluntary agreement without any conflicting closing hours restrictions. On-premise establishments with voluntary agreements containing conflicting closing hours restrictions are not eligible to register for the extended hours.

If you have any questions, please contact ABRA's Licensing Division at 202/442-4423.

NEW YEAR'S EVE EXTENDED HOURS REMINDER

Extended hours reminder: Licensees may remain open until 4 a.m. to sell and serve alcoholic beverages and operate for 24 hours a day on the night before District of Columbia and Federal holidays. If you would like to apply for extended hours on New Year's Eve the notification form is due to ABRA by **December 3, 2012**.

There is no fee to apply, however, the notification form and a public safety plan information form are required. The notification form covers the entire 2013 calendar year. Both forms are available online at www.abra.dc.gov and must be submitted in person to the ABRA office at 2000 14th Street, NW Suite 400S.

ABC BOARD RECESS

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board will be in recess during the following dates listed below.

These dates occur on Wednesdays when hearings are normally held. If you were given one of the dates below for a hearing, you will be notified of a new date. If not, please contact ABRA's Adjudication Department at 202/442-4423.

ABC BOARD RECESS DATES

November 21, 2012
December 19 and 26, 2012
January 2, 2013

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HIGHLIGHTS:

- > INAUGURAL CELEBRATION REGISTRATION
- > EXTENDED HOURS OF OPERATION
- > ABC BOARD RECESS
- > PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN HEARING
- > SALE TO MINOR COMPLIANCE RATES
- > 2013 EXTENDED HOURS FOR ABC ESTABLISHMENTS

PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN HEARING

The ABC Board is holding a public hearing on a proposed rulemaking that would create a new section 720 of chapter 7 of title 23 of the DCMR and sets forth the type of information that is required to be included in any public safety plan submitted to the Agency by an on-premise licensee. If you would like to testify please contact Martha Jenkins, General Counsel at martha.jenkins@dc.gov or call 202/442-4423 and provide your full name, title and affiliations. Testimony will be limited to 5 minutes. Please bring 7 copies of your testimony. If you are unable to attend written statements can be sent to the General Counsel.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Wednesday, February 13, 2013

at 1:30 p.m.

2000 14th Street, NW

Board Hearing Room Suite 400S

SALE TO MINOR
COMPLIANCE RATES

In Fiscal Year 2012, ABRA conducted **1,061** compliance checks at licensed establishments through ABRA's sale to minor compliance check program. **953** of the compliance checks conducted by ABRA resulted in an alcoholic beverage *not* being sold to a minor. This resulted in a sale to minor compliance rate of **89.82%** for Fiscal Year 2012.



2013 EXTENDED HOURS FOR ABC ESTABLISHMENTS

DAY/HOLIDAY	DATE ON WHICH DAY/ HOLIDAY IS OBSERVED IN D.C.	EVENING OF EXTENDED BUSINESS HOURS	CLOSING HOUR (THE FOLLOWING MORNING)
New Year's Day	Tuesday, January 1, 2013	Monday evening, December 31, 2012	4:00 a.m. Tuesday morning
Washington's Birthday	Monday, February 18	Sunday evening, February 17	4:00 a.m. Monday morning
Spring Daylight Saving	Sunday, March 10	Saturday evening, March 9	One Hour Lost
DC Emancipation Day	Tuesday, April 16	Monday evening, April 15	4:00 a.m. Tuesday morning
Memorial Day Weekend	Monday, May 27	Friday evening, May 24 through Sunday evening, May 26	Alcohol service must end by 4:00 a.m. each day, ending Monday
Independence Day	Thursday, July 4	Wednesday evening, July 3	4:00 a.m. Thursday morning
Labor Day Weekend	Monday, September 2	Friday evening, August 30 through Sunday evening, September 1	Alcohol service must end by 4:00 a.m. each day, ending Monday
Columbus Day	Monday, October 14	Sunday evening, October 13	4:00 a.m. Monday morning
Autumn Daylight Saving	Sunday, November 3	Saturday evening, November 2	One Extra Hour
Veteran's Day	Monday, November 11	Sunday evening, November 10	4:00 a.m. Monday morning
Thanksgiving	Thursday, November 28	Wednesday evening, November 27	4:00 a.m. Thursday morning
Christmas	Wednesday, December 25	Tuesday evening, December 24	4:00 a.m. Wednesday morning

Visit the ABRA website to review the entire 2013 Extended Hours Calendar and restrictions at www.abra.dc.gov.