

2022 | EXTENDED HOLIDAY HOURS SCHEDULE



The Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) coordinates an Extended Holidays Hours Program that allows alcohol licensed establishments to sell and serve alcohol until 4:00 a.m. and operate 24-hours a day on select days in conjunction with eligible District Government and federal holidays.

Details and applications are available at abra.dc.gov/extendedhours. FAQs are on the reverse.

HOLIDAY	DATE OF HOLIDAY	DURATION <i>(Runs the evening of the first date through 4:00 a.m. on the last date)</i>	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
New Year's Day Weekend	Saturday, January 1	Thursday, December 30 - Sunday, January 2	Wednesday, December 1
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Weekend	Monday, January 17	Friday, January 14 - Monday, January 17	Friday, December 17
Washington's Birthday Weekend	Monday, February 21	Friday, February 18 - Monday, February 21	Tuesday, January 18
DC Emancipation Day Weekend ¹	Saturday, April 16	Thursday, April 14 - Sunday, April 17	Thursday, March 17
Memorial Day Weekend	Monday, May 30	Friday, May 27 - Monday, May 30	Friday, April 29
Juneteenth ²	Sunday, June 19	Saturday, June 18 - Monday, June 20	Monday, May 16
Independence Day Weekend	Monday, July 4	Friday, July 1 - Monday, July 4	Friday, June 3
Labor Day Weekend	Monday, September 5	Friday, September 2 - Monday, September 5	Monday, August 8
Indigenous Peoples' Day Weekend	Monday, October 10	Friday, October 7 - Monday, October 10	Monday, September 12
Veterans Day Weekend	Friday, November 11	Thursday, November 10 - Sunday, November 13	Tuesday, October 11
Thanksgiving Day Weekend	Thursday, November 24	Wednesday, November 23 - Sunday, November 27	Tuesday, October 25
Christmas Day Weekend	Sunday, December 25	Friday, December 23 - Monday, December 26	Monday, November 28

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS Hours of alcohol service are automatically extended for licensees during daylight savings changes. Registration in the Extended Holiday Hours Program is NOT required.

Spring | Sunday, March 13. Any licensee that normally ends alcohol service at 3:00 a.m. is eligible to operate until 4:00 a.m. to compensate for the loss of one hour.

Autumn | Sunday, November 6. Any licensee that normally ends alcohol service at 2:00 a.m. will automatically gain an additional hour to conduct business.

¹ The legal public holiday for DC Emancipation Day is Saturday, April 16. Since the holiday is on a Saturday, it is also a legal public holiday on Friday, April 15.

² The legal public holiday for Juneteenth is Sunday, June 19. Since the holiday is on a Sunday, it is also a legal public holiday on Monday, June 20.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Question (Q). Who can participate?

Answer (A). Eligible licensees include on-premises retailers including restaurants, taverns, nightclubs, hotels, and multipurpose facilities, and manufacturers with on-site sales and consumption permit. Temporary licensees are also eligible. Settlement Agreements, Mayor's Orders, and Board Orders apply and may restrict eligibility.

Q. When do extended hours start and end?

A. Extended hours start the evening of the first day listed in the "duration" section of the calendar. All alcoholic beverage sales must cease by 4:00 a.m. on the last day listed in the "duration" section of the calendar.

Q. Does the two (2)-hour kitchen requirement for restaurants still apply?

A. Yes. Restaurants serving alcohol until 4:00 a.m. are required to serve food until 2:00 a.m.

Q. Do the hours of my entertainment endorsement get extended?

A. No. You will need to file a One-Day Substantial Change Application for ABC Board consideration.

Q. Do restrictions or prohibitions included in Mayor's Orders or ABC Board rulemakings supersede program allowances.

A. Yes.

Q. How do I apply?

A. You must submit an application and public safety plan.

Q. What is the registration deadline?

A. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. You must submit your completed materials at least 30-days before the first holiday you would like to extend your hours.

Q. Do I need to register for hour changes related to daylight savings?

A. No.

Q. Is there a fee?

A. There is no fee to participate.

Q. How long does registration last?

A. Registration is valid indefinitely unless restricted by Settlement Agreement, Mayor's Order, or Board Order.

Q. How do I find out what establishments have been approved for extended hours for each holiday?

A. A roster of eligible establishments is published in advance of each holiday at abra.dc.gov/page/extended-holiday-hours.