

# LAST CALL



## LICENSE RENEWALS and LICENSE PAYMENTS

The holders of *Class C & D* licenses (Restaurants, Hotels, Multi-Purpose Facilities, Clubs, etc.) are reminded that they have until **Monday, April 1, 2013**, to renew their alcoholic beverage license. A late fee of \$50 shall be imposed for each day after the due date of payment. Second year payments for all *Class A* licenses and third year payments for *Class B* Manufacturer's are also due by **Monday, April 1, 2013**.

- Any outstanding fines must be paid at the time of renewal. Checks, MasterCard, or Visa are accepted made payable to DC Treasurer. Payments are required to be made in person at ABRA offices:

Reeves Center, 2000 14th Street, NW, 400S, Washington, DC 20009. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact ABRA at (202) 442-4423 and request to speak with ABRA Licensing Specialist Patricia Jenkins or email her at [patricia.jenkins@dc.gov](mailto:patricia.jenkins@dc.gov)

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## QUARTERLY STATEMENT REPORTS

Restaurant and hotel licensees are required to file quarterly alcoholic beverage and food statements with the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) to be in compliance with D.C. Official Code §§ 25-113 (b) (2) (A) and 25-113 (e) (4) (A).

The first quarterly statement for this calendar year is due on **April 30, 2013**. All hotel and restaurant licensees are required to submit quarterly statements either electronically to [www.abra.dc.gov](http://www.abra.dc.gov) go to link "Forms", by fax to (202) 442-9563, or hard copies to:

Attention: Neal Adejunmobi  
2000 14th Street NW  
400 South  
Washington, DC 20009

## BOOKS and RECORDS

Books and Records can now be stored electronically on site. This change was part of D.C. Act 19-597, the *Omnibus Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Emergency Amendment Act of 2012* (Act), which went into effect on **January 14, 2013**.

The Act states that "The holder of a Retailer's, Manufacturer's, or Wholesaler's license may store books and records on the licensed premises electronically; provided that the records are made immediately available at the request of ABRA staff".



## NEW ABRA LICENSEE ORIENTATION

**T**he Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) is offering a second orientation training session for all new ABC license holders and the public. The orientation will be held on **Tuesday, May 21, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.** The orientation training will be held in the ABC Board Hearing room located at 2000 14th Street, NW, Suite 400 South, Washington, DC 20009.

The orientation topics are listed below:

- D.C. Official Code Title 25 and DCMR Title 23
- Recent changes to the law
- Settlement agreements
- How to work effectively with your community
- Expectations of an ABC Licensee
- Noise Abatement and Sound management

Reservations must be received by **Friday, May 17, 2013**. If you have any questions regarding the registration process, please contact Bill Hager at 202/442-4425 or [William.Hager@dc.gov](mailto:William.Hager@dc.gov)

## SALE TO MINOR

### LEGISLATION UPDATE:

**T**he D.C. Council adopted emergency legislation on **March 5, 2013** to amend the definition of an "egregious" first-time sale to minor violation. Specifically, the "Egregious First-Time Sale to Minor Clarification Emergency Amendment Act of 2013" (Act) states that if it can be established that the licensee had a pattern of prior alcoholic beverage sales or service to minors that the ABC licensee has committed an "egregious" sale to minor violation. The ABC licensee therefore is not entitled to a written warning under these circumstances.



## EMANCIPATION DAY HOURS EXTENSION

**E**xtended 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. The next affected holiday is Emancipation Day celebrated by the District of Columbia on **Tuesday April 16, 2013**. Notification for the extension was due 30 days before the holiday is observed. If you would like to apply the notification form is due to ABRA by **Monday, March 18, 2013**. There is no fee to apply, however, a public safety plan is required.

In order to be eligible for the additional hour, you either must: 1) not have a settlement agreement or 2) possess a settlement agreement without any restrictions on your closing hours. On-premise establishments with settlement agreements containing restrictions on their closing hours are not eligible to register for the extended hours.

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

