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Temporary Fee Relief Extension For May Renewals

May 30, 2020

ABC Director Jacob Appelsmith announced today that certain ABC licensees paying annual renewal fees have been given a 30-day grace period.

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Offices Reopening

May 27, 2020

Some ABC offices are now open to the public for appointments and drop-off documents. If you need to visit one of our offices, it is **recommended you make an appointment before your visit** since there is limited staff at this time. ABC employees will be distanced and follow protocols to ensure the safety of the public.

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Fifth Notice of Regulatory Relief

May 20, 2020

In its First Notice of Regulatory Relief, the Department provided guidance for on-sale licensees selling and delivering prepared drinks and pre-mixed cocktails in to-go

containers in conjunction with bona fide meals prepared on the licensed premises. Since then, the Department has received a number of requests to extend this to-go relief to on-sale licensees that do not operate kitchen facilities.

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Fourth Notice of Regulatory Relief

May 15, 2020

Previous temporary relief measures remain in place, and the Department now issues the following relief to enable licensees with on-sale privileges to reopen their businesses for on-site consumption that is consistent with the Governor's declarations and orders as well as other State and local health and safety guidelines.

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Administrative Emergency Decisions

May 11, 2020

Notice of proposed emergency rulemaking changes in the alcohol industry due to the COVID-19 pandemic and state of emergency.

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- [CDPH COVID-19 Updates](#)
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- [CDC COVID-19 Updates](#)
- [Office of the Governor Gavin Newsom](#)

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CONTACT

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Call (916) 419-2500

Frequently Asked Questions

Important Notice: All provisions of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act, including licensing requirements, the prohibition against selling alcoholic beverages to minors and obviously intoxicated patrons, and tied-house and trade practice restrictions, remain in effect and subject to enforcement unless the Department has provided express notice that specific provisions will not be enforced. The Department has issued a [Notice of Regulatory Relief](#), as well as [guidance](#) on Governor Newsom's executive orders. These can be found on the Department's website and should be consulted in conjunction with these frequently asked questions and responses.

These frequently asked questions are intended to respond to some of the most frequently asked questions that have arisen since the beginning of the COVID-19 crisis. It

is subject to modification at any time. Please check back periodically for updates. You are encouraged to [subscribe to updates](#).

Does a police chief, sheriff, mayor, or other local official have the authority to suspend the enforcement of state law?



Do ABC licensees follow local orders if they are different than state orders?



Is there a mandatory closure for the bars and restaurants everywhere?



Are bars allowed to sell alcoholic beverages to-go?



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