ALCOHOL LICENSES GENERAL INFORMATION

All licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages require a background check and are considered a license of privilege by the City of Las Vegas. Applicants will be required to submit a business license application, personal history and various financial documents for their business. Please see the Checklist for Liquor Licenses (Form # PL002) for requirements.

BEER/WINE LICENSES

BEER/WINE ROOM: Origination Fee - $7,500; License Fee - $700 semi-annual; Additional Bar - $400 semi-annual
Beer/Wine Room authorizes the sale of beer, wine, and coolers only for consumption on the premises where the same are sold.
  o Cinema must have 800 permanent theatre seats and 20,000 square feet of gross floor area. (See Cinema General Information Handout (Form # PL237) for more details)
  o Nightclub - see Nightclub General Information Handout (Form # PL238) for details
  o Restaurant
  o Standalone bar
  o No Gaming Allowed

BEER/WINE/COOLER ON-SALE: Origination Fee - $2,500; License Fee - $300 semi-annual
Beer/Wine/Cooler On-Sale authorizes the sale of beer, wine and coolers only on the premises of the following:
  o Restaurant only in connection with and during the consumption of a meal. Restaurant must have 30 dining seats available at all times
  o Museum only during the hours of exhibition, presentation or performance. The area must be segregated to be inaccessible to minors, except when minor is accompanied by a parent or guardian
  o Hospital only as a complimentary service in conjunction with a birth of a child or similar special event
  o Wedding Chapel only when one bottle is given on a complimentary basis to a newly married couple for onsite consumption
  o Limousine Service Company only as a complimentary service the driver may provide one bottle of sparkling wine or champagne, no larger than 750 ml. for consumption only within the confines of the limousine during the specific trip for which is provided
  o No Gaming Allowed

BEER/WINE/COOLER OFF-SALE: Origination Fee - $2,500; License Fee - $300 semi-annual
Beer/Wine/Cooler Off-Sale authorizes the sale of beer, wine and coolers only in original sealed or corked containers. For consumption off the premises only. May be issued with the following:
  o Restaurant must be licensed for the sale of alcoholic beverages for an On-sale license under LVMC 6.50.040 (Beer/Wine/Cooler On-Sale). Restaurant must have 30 seats available at all times. No Gaming Allowed
  o Convenience Store must be at least 1,200 square feet retail floor space exclusive of warehouse and office areas. Fifty-one percent (51%) or more of gross retail floor area must be dedicated to convenience store merchandise, no more than ten percent (10%) of gross retail floor area can be devoted to alcoholic beverages. Restricted Gaming may be allowed
- **Grocery Store** must be at least 5,000 square feet of floor space area exclusive of warehouse and office space, no more than ten percent (10%) of gross retail area can be devoted to alcoholic beverages. **Restricted Gaming may be allowed**
- **Drug Store** must have a State licensed pharmacist present at all times; gross revenue of prescription pharmaceuticals must be in excess of 50% of the establishment’s gross revenue. **Restricted Gaming may be allowed**
- **General Retail Store (formerly Specialty Merchandise Store, Mega Store)** must be at least 5,000 square feet of floor space area exclusive of warehouse and office space, no more than ten percent (10%) of gross retail area can be devoted to alcoholic beverages. **Restricted Gaming may be allowed**
- **Gift Shop, Resort Hotel Leased**
- **Beer Wine Room** licensed for the sale of alcoholic beverages under LVMC 6.50.080 but only if the licensee holds a Nevada State licensed to manufacture malt beverages and must first present to the Department proof of such licensure pursuant to NRS 369. An off-sale license under this license authorizes the sale for off-premise consumption of malt beverages only, and only those that have been manufactured by the licensee. Off-sale must be in their original sealed containers at the time of sale and may be sold only from behind a bar or a storeroom. Off-sale beverages may only be sold in six-pack configurations or in growlers.

### FULL ALCOHOL LICENSES

**RESTAURANT WITH ALCOHOL:** Origination Fee - $40,000; License Fee - $800 semi-annual; Additional Bar $750 semi-annual

Restaurant with Alcohol authorized alcoholic beverages to be sold at a restaurant advertised and/or held out to the public to be a place where the primary business is to serve meals and has meals available for service at tables or booths during all times that the business is open.

- Alcoholic beverages may be served to adult patrons throughout the premises of a restaurant with alcohol, and adults accompanying a minor into the restaurant portion of the business may only be served alcohol in conjunction with meals at dining tables or booths
- May have a lounge area for adults only
- Must have at least 100 dining seats available (separate from bar and lounge seating)
- The seating area in the lounge area of a restaurant with alcohol shall not exceed (1) one bar seat or stool for each (8) eight restaurant seats; and (2) one table or booth seat for each three restaurant seats
- **Restricted gaming may be allowed – limit 5 slot machines**

**RESTAURANT SERVICE BAR:** Origination Fee - $30,000; License Fee - $600 semi-annual

Restaurant Service Bar authorizes alcoholic beverages to be sold from a restaurant service bar for consumption only in connection with meals served at tables on the premises of the restaurant where the same are sold.

- Customers are **NOT permitted to purchase alcohol directly from a restaurant service bar area.**
- **No lounge area is permitted**
- **No Gaming Allowed**

**TAVERN:** Origination Fee - $75,000; License Fee - $1,200 semi-annual; Additional Bar - $900 semi-annual

A tavern license authorizes the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises where the same are sold, and authorizes the sale, to consumers only and not for resale, of alcoholic beverages, in original sealed or corked containers from a behind a bar or from a storeroom only, for consumption off the premises where the same are sold. A tavern licensee may not display or advertise such liquor for off-sale purchase by patrons, and any sales must be incidental to the on-premise sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages. Restricted and Non-Restricted Gaming may be allowed. The Tavern license may be issued with the following:

- Cinema
- Night Club
- Resort Hotel
- Restaurant
- Standalone Bar
- Other Compatible Business Models
- Gaming may be allowed up to 15 Slots unless a Resort Hotel Casino

**PACKAGE LIQUOR (LIQUOR STORE):** Origination Fee - $40,000; License Fee - $750 semi-annual

Package Liquor license authorizes the sale, to consumer only and not for resale, of alcoholic beverages, in original sealed or corked containers, for consumption off the premises where the same are sold. **Grocery Store, Liquor Store.**

- **Grocery Store** must be at least 5,000 square feet of floor space area exclusive of warehouse and office space, no more than ten percent (10%) of gross retail area can be devoted to alcoholic beverages.
- **Restricted Gaming may be allowed**
- **Liquor Store** must be at least 1,200 square feet of retail floor space exclusive of warehouse and office areas. Entry to minors is not allowed, except as provided for in LVMC 6.50.170. **Restricted Gaming may be allowed**

**RESTRICTED LOCATIONS**

**DOWNTOWN ONLY:**

**TAVERN LIMITED:** Origination Fee - $20,000; License Fee - $800 semi-annual; Additional Bar - $500 semiannual

A tavern-limited license authorizes the sale of alcoholic beverages

- A themed establishment such as a restaurant or other venue
- An establishment that provides lives entertainment at least two nights per week
- ONLY in the Downtown Centennial Plan area
- No Gaming Allowed

**ARTS DISTRICT ONLY:**

**URBAN LOUNGE:** Origination Fee $50,000; License fee - $1000 semi-annual; Additional Bar - $750 semi-annual

An urban lounge license authorizes the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises where the same are sold only, and the sale, to consumers only and not for resale, of alcoholic beverages in original sealed or corked containers from behind a bar or from a storeroom only, for consumption off the premises where the same are sold. An urban lounge licensee may not display or advertise such liquor for off-sale purchase by patrons, and any sales must be incidental to the on-premise sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages. An urban lounge license may be issued only at a location and with the following type of licenses:

- Restaurant
- Standalone Bar
- Other Compatible Business Models
- Restricted Gaming may be allowed - Limit 5 Slot Machines

**SAHARA AVENUE (Between Valley View and Durango Drive) ONLY:**

**TAVERN-RESTRICTED:** Origination Fee - $20,000; License Fee - $800 semi-annual; Additional bar - $500 semi-annual

A tavern-restricted license authorizes the sale of alcoholic beverages only for consumption on the premises where the same are sold. Unless approved by City Council, an establishment operating under this license:

- Shall not be open for business between the hours of 2:00 am and 6:00 am
- Shall ensure that all business activities are conducted entirely within the interior of the establishment
- Shall not allow minors on the premises while alcohol is being served, unless: the premises has a restaurant whose existence and configuration has been approved by the Director; and minors are only
permitted only in connection with the consumption of a meal within the restaurant area, and only between the hours of 6:00 am and 10:00 pm

- Restaurant
- Nightclub
- Standalone Bar
- Other Compatible Business Models
- No Gaming Allowed

**SPECIAL FACILITIES**

**BANQUET OR EVENT ESTABLISHMENT: Origination Fee - $20,000; License Fee - $500 semi-annual**

Banquet or Event Establishment authorizes the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption at specific unique events on the premises of a licensed banquet or event establishment. The intent is to permit a banquet or event establishment licensee to offer, sell and serve alcoholic beverages to persons associated with a specified unique event, such as a wedding or wedding reception, bar mitzvah, birthday party or similar unique event, but in no way permit a licensee to utilize a banquet or event establishment license to operate a recurring nightclub or tavern operation without the appropriate alcoholic beverage license. **No Gaming allowed**

**GENERAL ON-SALE: Origination Fee - $75,000; License Fee - $1,200 semi-annual; Additional Bar - $900 semi-annual**

General On-Sale authorizes the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises of a licensed golf course establishment, a sports arena, a cultural establishment, a convention center or a theme amusement park where alcohol sales are incidental to the primary business. **No Gaming allowed**

**GENERAL ON-SALE (Beer and Wine): Origination Fee - $20,000; License Fee - $500 semi-annual**

General On-Sale (Beer and Wine) license authorizes the sale of beer and wine for consumption on the premises of a licensed golf course establishment, a sports arena, a cultural establishment, a convention center or a theme amusement park where alcohol sales are incidental to the primary business. **No Gaming allowed**

**HOTEL LOUNGE BAR (ANCILLARY LOUNGE BAR): Origination Fee - $40,000; License Fee - $1,200 semi-annual**

Hotel Lounge Bar authorizes the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises of a hotel or mixed-use building subject to the following conditions:
- Minimum of 150 rooms (hotel or residential units)
- Beverages are served and consumed only at tables and booths located within the lounge bar area, within a hotel pool area, or within hotel rooms as an incident to room service;
- Maximum available customer seating in the lounge bar area does not exceed 50 seats.
- **No Gaming allowed**

**NON-PROFIT CLUB GENERAL ON-SALE: Origination Fee - $2,000; License Fee - $200 semi-annual**

Non-Profit Club General On-Sale authorizes the sale of alcoholic beverages by the licensee or the licensee’s authorized employees only for consumption on the premises and only to bona fide dues-paying members of the club, and to member’s bona fide guests. “Non-Profit” club means any non-profit corporation, association or organization which has been in continual existence for at least two (2) years prior to applying for a license under Chapter 6.50, and:
- Is organized or qualified to do business and operate under the laws of the state;  
  - Has tax-exempt status granted by the United States Internal Revenue Service;
- Maintains a membership of at least one hundred (100) active members who are residents of Southern Nevada, who are twenty-one (21) years of age or older and who pay dues to the non-profit corporation, association, or organization.
o Operates a club house, club room or meeting room in a permanent location which it owns or leases; o Maintains a sign-in log that each member and the member’s guests must sign upon entering the club house, club room or meeting room operated by the club.
o No Gaming allowed, unless gaming was approved under LVMC 6.40.155(C)

LIQUOR MANUFACTURER: Origination Fee - $10,000; License Fee - $1,000 semi-annual
Liquor Manufacturer authorizes the manufacture, production and bottling of alcoholic beverages of all kinds, including the brewing, distilling and rectifying activities associated therewith. The holder of such a license is subject to all Federal and State statutes and regulations. *Not eligible for a temporary license without State Liquor Manufacturer approval.

WHOLESALE GENERAL: Origination Fee - $10,000; License Fee - $1,000 semi-annual
Wholesale General authorizes the sale of alcoholic beverages in original sealed or corked containers to any licensee for resale. A Wholesale General Licensee may ONLY sell to a properly licensed retailer; they may not sell to the public. *Not eligible for a temporary license without State Liquor Who approval.
o Must keep on hand a stock of alcoholic beverages whose cost of acquisition is fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) or more.

SPECIALTY LICENSES

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CATERER: Origination Fee $4,000; License Fee - $500 semi-annual; Permit Fee - $25 per bar/per day
Alcoholic Beverage Caterer authorizes the sale, pouring or serving of alcoholic beverages or the delivery of keg beer to the premises of a purchaser:
o By an alcoholic beverage caterer or the caterer’s authorized employees pursuant to a permit; o Only for consumption on the premises where the same are dispensed, served or sold, and only where the premises is at a commercial or other nonresidential location; and
o Only during the times, dates and places specified in a permit to provide alcoholic beverage catering services issued pursuant to LVMC 6.50.350.
NOTE: A Caterer may provide: Delivery of Keg Beer, Sale by the drink at a private event, set up a bar open to the public only subject to a special event permit, Provide servers and bartenders only for a fee

BREW PUB ANCILLARY (MICROBREWERY): Origination Fee – None; License Fee - $500 or 1% of gross sales, whichever is greater, semi-annual
Brew Pub Ancillary allows the manufacture and sale of malt beverages at an establishment as long as the primary license is a Tavern, Tavern-limited, Beer Wine Room or Urban Lounge. *Not eligible for a temporary license without State Brew Pub approval.

ANCILLARY SPECIALTY SALES/TASTING: Origination Fee – None; License Fee - $500 or 1% of Gross sales, Whichever is greater, semi-annual
Ancillary Specialty Sales/Tasting means the sale of alcoholic beverages for specialty sales, instruction or tasting. Each activity listed below requires a separate ancillary license:
o Internet Sales – Package Liquor Licensee with a grocery store or general retail store in excess of 5,000 square feet; for home delivery of alcohol.
o Instructional Wine-Making – Package Liquor Licensee; for wine making classes.
o Tasting – Package Liquor, Wholesale General or Beer/Wine/Cooler Off-sale licensee; for wine, beer, cordials or liqueur tasting.
o Individual Access (mini-bars) at hotels, convention facilities or sports arena.
ANCILLARY CRAFT DISTILLERY: Origination Fee - None; License Fee - $500 or 1% of gross sales whichever is greater, semi-annual
Ancillary Craft Distillery allows the sale of craft distilled beverages at an establishment, but only if the owner of the establishment maintains, in a primary capacity, at the same location, a liquor manufacturer’s license pursuant to LVMC 6.50.145 and NRS Chapter 369. *Not eligible for a temporary license without State Liquor Craft Distillery approval.
- The sale of alcoholic beverages is limited to craft distillery beverages that have been produced at the establishment;
- Allow on-site consumption of manufactured craft distilled beverages during Director approved events
- No permanent bar structures shall be allowed;
- Serve to consumers samples of its manufactured craft distilled beverages; and
- Sell to consumers, for off-site consumption, its manufactured craft distilled beverages.
- No Gaming allowed

PERMANENT TRADE SHOW FACILITY: Origination Fee - $60,000; License Fee - $2,400 semi-annual; Permit Fee - $25 per vendor, per location for event
A Permanent Traded Show Facility alcohol licenses authorizes the sale, pouring or serving of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises where the same are dispensed, served or sold and only within the event times, dates and areas.
- A parcel or contiguous parcels of land with one or more buildings located thereon consisting of minimum of two hundred fifty thousand (250,000) square feet of floor space that is designated and intended primarily to conduct one or more permanent trade shows annually.

ART GALLERY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE PERMIT: $100 annual process fee
An Art Gallery alcoholic beverage permit authorizes the limited service and on-premise consumption of complimentary beer, wine or coolers at an art gallery in conjunction with the sale of art. Only available to city licensed art galleries as defined under LVMC 6.50.020.
- Alcohol service is limited to no more than 15 days per permit year; o Cannot serve wine, beer, or cooler beverages for more than 4 hours in any 1 day;
- Shall not charge an entrance fee, a cover charge or require any remuneration for entry into the art gallery, nor charge any other fee directly or indirectly in connection with offering alcoholic beverages under this permit;
- No permanent bar structures shall be allowed; o Security plan required;
- No Gaming allowed

TIME-LIMITED SPECIAL EVENT BEER/WINE/COOLER: $50 for first bar/per day, plus $25 per additional bar/per day*
TIME-LIMITED SPECIAL EVENT GENERAL: $100 for first bar/per day, plus $75 per additional bar/per day*
- *Authorizes the sale of beer, wine and coolers only or general alcohol, and for consumption only on the premises of the location specified in the license. The license shall be limited to the period and times specified in the license and can only be issued in conjunction with an approved Special Event Permit issued under Las Vegas Municipal Code, Chapter 12.02.
- *Special Event means any event described as a special event in the Las Vegas Municipal Code 12.02.010.
- *Time-Limited Special Event licenses shall not be issued for any specific business establishment, in excess of two (2) four (4) hour period in any one (1) month period. Successive requests for Time-Limited Special Event licenses may be denied, if it is determined that the applicant is using such license(s) to circumvent the requirement to obtain a permanent alcohol beverage license.