

One-day Special Liquor License

Kind of license:

All-alcohol license – available to non-profit organization, or a couple getting married or other private individuals who do not intend to profit; not available to a for-profit business.

Wine and malt beverage license – available to for-profit organization.

Purchase place:

Must purchase from a licensed wholesaler/importer, manufacturer, farmer-winery, farmer-brewery, farmer-distillery or special permit holder. May not purchase from a package store.

Latest list of authorized sources is available from the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission website, <http://www.mass.gov/abcc/onedayauthorized.htm>

Time of license:

License time covers entire period that the liquor is in licensee's hands, from time of delivery to time of disposal. Licensee cannot accept delivery until the time of the license, and when the license runs out they cannot store any alcohol. The suggestion is to start the license early enough and extend it later to cover the time. Two or three days is not unusual; license does not need to be limited to one day.

Disposal at end of license period:

Return back to wholesaler any unopened cases or bottles, coordinate with the wholesaler.

Insurance:

Liquor liability insurance is not required but is strongly recommended. An individual may look into a rider on a homeowner's insurance policy.

Other requirements:

One-day special license is not available for use on premises that have another liquor license. License is in name of individual, who may be manager for a corporation.