

EMPLOYEE LIQUOR PERMIT INFORMATION

All persons employed in the sale, dispensing, service or deliveries of alcoholic beverages are required to have an Employee Permit. Employees must obtain their Permit before they may begin to sell or serve alcoholic beverages. There is no grace period in which to obtain an Employee Liquor Permit. All applicants must be 18 years of age or older and have a **current driver's license** or **State identification card**. These are the only two forms of picture identification that will be accepted. If you do not have one of the required forms of identification you must go to one of the State of Missouri Department of Revenue local offices before applying for your permit.

As a convenience, the City of Independence has a website to allow you to apply for or renew your "Employee Liquor Permit" over the internet. You must have a printer available for printing the actual permit when using this process and a credit card for payment. To use this service, please go to the web site at www.indepmo.org/businesslicense. Click on "**Employee Licenses/Permits**" and then select the desired process. Liquor Permits issued by other cities or governments are not valid for businesses within the city limits of Independence.

If you have no access to the internet you must come in person to the second floor of City Hall, 111 E. Maple between the hours of 8 A.M. and 4:15 P.M. Monday thru Friday where computer terminals are provided for your use. The application/renewal process has now become solely automated and has to be done on the computer.

The fee for the permit is \$30.00 and is payable by credit card, check or cash. There is no fee to apply for a duplicate.

SALES TO MINORS: Alcoholic beverages may not be sold to anyone under the age of twenty-one years. Whenever it is not clearly obvious that a person is over the age of twenty-one, proof of age shall be required in the form of one of the following types of picture identifications: a current operator's or chauffeur's license, a State identification card; an identification card issued by any uniformed service of the United States; or a valid passport.

CONSUMPTION BY EMPLOYEES: It is unlawful for a licensee or employee to sell alcoholic beverages by the drink or give to, sell to, or permit to be given to or sold to any on duty employee of the premises. The licensee shall not permit any patron/customer of the premises to give to, drink with, sit at the bar or tables with, engage in amusement games with or dance with any on duty employee on the premises.

REMOVAL OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FROM PREMISES PROHIBITED: Businesses licensed to sell alcoholic beverages by the drink shall not allow the removal of any alcoholic beverage purchased by the drink from the licensed premises.

SALES TO PERSONS UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS PROHIBITED: No licensee or employee shall knowingly sell or deliver any alcoholic beverage to any person the licensee or employee knows, or reasonably should know, is under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Citations can be issued to the employee who violates the above which can be cause to revoke the Employee Liquor Permit.

If you need to inquire about Food Handler classes contact the Health Department at (816) 325-7194.