

Liquor Licensing Policy

3-20-07

Town of Bar Harbor

In order to formalize the way in which the Town administration processes applications for State liquor licenses, the Town Council hereby adopts the following standard practices:

1. **Cruise Ships** – The Council hereby categorically approves all applications for liquor licenses to serve alcohol aboard ships anchored within Town waters. Docked ships will require approval by the Police Chief as provided below.
2. **Police Department Review** – Authority to grant or deny an application for a liquor license is hereby delegated to the Chief of Police and such officer or officers as the Chief may delegate in writing to act in his/her absence. A copy of the Chief's delegation of authority shall be filed with the Town Manager.
 - A. Should the Police Chief feel it appropriate, the Chief may defer review and possible approval or denial to the Town Council.
3. **Public Hearings** – Public Hearings shall not be required, but may be held at the discretion of the permitting authority, be that the Police Chief or Town Council.
 - A. Any public hearing shall be advertised, in the newspaper officially designated as the Town's contract advertiser, a minimum of four days prior to the hearing.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

5-12-06	New policy proposed by Staff
6-14-06	Staff directed to draft policy
3-16-07	Draft presented to Council
3-20-07	Policy adopted by Council