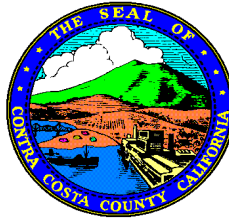


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October 7, 2015

Re: New Posting Requirements for “Deemed Approved” Businesses Selling Alcohol

Dear Property/Business Owner:

The Alcoholic Beverage Sales Commercial Activities Ordinance, Chapter 82-38 of the County Code, was adopted in October 2002 and established zoning requirements for businesses that sell alcohol in the County called Performance Standards. Businesses that were already selling alcohol prior to the date the ordinance was adopted are considered “deemed approved” and were not required to obtain a land use permit. However, as a condition of being deemed approved, such businesses are subject to the Ordinance which includes complying with and posting these Performance Standards.

The Board of Supervisors recently adopted amendments to the Performance Standards that became effective on July 16, 2015. These amendments are designed to educate the public, protect the general health and welfare of residents of the County and to prevent nuisance activities where alcoholic beverage sales occur. The amendments include the requirement to post the enclosed Performance Standards notice on the premises of your business.

The enclosed notices must be posted immediately for public review in a conspicuous and unobstructed place visible from both the entrance to your establishment and in a place clearly visible to customers from the cash register (Contra Costa County Zoning Code Section 82-38.810).

Code Enforcement Officers will be inspecting your business in the upcoming weeks to verify your compliance with the new ordinance requirements and to confirm that these notices have been posted.

Please note that the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors also adopted policy recommendations that include more consistent and routine visits to Deemed Approved establishments by the Code Enforcement, Building Inspection Division.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter or the requirements of the Alcohol Ordinance, please contact Gary Kupp at (925) 674-7799 or visit <https://ca-contracostacounty2.civicplus.com/5831/Deemed-Approved-Alcohol-Beverage-Sales>

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jason Crapo". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jason Crapo
Deputy Director

Enclosed: Two (2) Performance Standards Notices (11-inch by 17-inch)

cc: Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors
Contra Costa County Municipal Advisory Councils

NUISANCES?

Related to the sale of Alcoholic Beverages?

¿Molestias? ¿Relacionada con la venta de bebidas alcohólicas?

COMPLAINTS WILL BE INVESTIGATED

Call (925) 674-7210 (Contra Costa County Code Enforcement Division) if you wish to file a complaint that this site may be in violation of the performance standards listed below.

PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

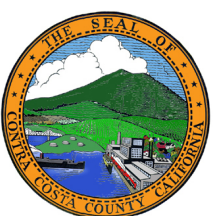
Violation of the performance standards could result in modification or revocation of the privilege of selling alcohol. The standards are as follows:

- (a) its operation does not result in adverse effects to the health, peace or safety of persons residing or working in the surrounding area;
- (b) its operation does not result in repeated nuisance activities on or near the premises, including but not limited to disturbance of the peace, illegal drug activity, public drunkenness, drinking in public, harassment of passersby, gambling, prostitution, sale of stolen goods, public urination, theft, assaults, batteries, acts of vandalism, excessive littering, loitering, graffiti, illegal parking, excessive loud noises especially in the late night or early morning hours, traffic violations, curfew violations, lewd conduct, or police detentions and arrests;
- (c) its operation does not result in violations of other county, state, or federal regulations, ordinances, or statutes;
- (d) its operation does not result in the transfer, expiration or revocation of a State of California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control license;
- (e) its upkeep and operating characteristics are compatible with and will not adversely affect the livability or orderly development nor encourage the marginal development of abutting properties and the surrounding neighborhood; and
- (f) its operation does not result in jeopardizing or endangering the public health or safety of persons residing or working in the surrounding area.

To report a life threatening emergency please call 911.

To report a non-emergency, call the Contra Costa County Sheriff Dispatch at 877-308-5248.

This notice must be posted for public review in a conspicuous and unobstructed place visible from the entrance of the establishment and in a place clearly visible to the buyer from the cash register (Contra Costa County Zoning Ordinance, Section 82-38.810).



email: alcohol.nuisances@dcd.cccounty.us

**web: <http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/alcoholnuisance>
Contra Costa County, Code Enforcement Division**

