

S/No	FAQs	Answer
1	Do I need a liquor licence?	Yes, you need a liquor licence if you want to supply (sell, barter, exchange, serve, or deliver) any liquor in Singapore. Under Section 4(1) of the Liquor Control (Supply and Consumption) Act 2015, it is an offence to supply liquor without a valid licence.
2	What types of liquor licences are available?	<p>There are 8 classes of liquor licences available:</p> <p>For On-Premises Consumption:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class 1A: Supply of all types of liquor for consumption at licensed premises (6am to before midnight) • Class 1B: Supply of all types of liquor for consumption at licensed premises (6am to before 10pm) • Class 2A: Supply of beer only for consumption at licensed premises (6am to before midnight) • Class 2B: Supply of beer only for consumption at licensed premises (any daily trading hours) <p>For Off-Premises Consumption (Retail):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class 3A: Retail supply of all types of liquor for consumption elsewhere (7am to before 10:30pm) • Class 3B: Retail supply of beer only for consumption elsewhere (7am to before 10:30pm) <p>For Wholesale:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class 4: Wholesale supply of liquor for consumption elsewhere (7am to before 10:30pm) <p>Temporary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class 5: Temporary licence (maximum 30 days)
3	What are the licence fees?	<p>The fees vary by licence class:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class 1A: \$880 (or pro-rata for shorter duration) • Class 1B: \$660 (or pro-rata for shorter duration) • Class 2A: \$460 (or pro-rata for shorter duration) • Class 2B: \$285 (or pro-rata for shorter duration) • Class 3A: \$110 (or pro-rata for shorter duration) • Class 3B: \$110 (or pro-rata for shorter duration) • Class 4: \$110 (or pro-rata for shorter duration) • Class 5 (Temporary): \$22 per day or \$44 per 7-day period <p>Additional fees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trading hours extension: \$4 per hour (3+ months) or \$22 per hour (<3 months) • Licence amendment: \$22 • Replacement licence: \$11
4	Where can I apply for a liquor licence?	Applications must be made through the GoBusiness portal at www.gobusiness.gov.sg .
5	What documents do I need for my application?	<p>Documents required include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hawker Licence (Only required for Class 2B Licence applications) - Registration of Society Certificate (Only applicable for Non-ACRA entity) - URA planning permission / HDB lodgement and supporting letter (Supporting letter from HDB Lodgement or change of Use permission from URA) - ACRA Business Profile (ACRA Business Profile with company details)
6	What are the eligibility requirements?	<p>To be eligible for a liquor licence, you must be assessed as a "fit and proper person." The criteria and requirements are published at https://www.police.gov.sg/E-Services/Apply-for-Liquor-Licence.</p> <p>The Licensing Officer will also assess whether:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The premises location is suitable for liquor supply • You meet all published criteria and requirements • Any responsible officers meet the requirements
7	How long is a liquor licence valid?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular licences: Maximum 1 year (actual period stated in the licence) • Temporary licences (Class 5): Maximum 30 days <p>Licences can be renewed before expiry by submitting a renewal application.</p>
8	What are the key conditions and restrictions?	<p>Key conditions include:</p> <p>Trading Hours:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must operate only during specified trading hours in your licence • Different classes have different permitted hours <p>Age Restrictions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cannot supply liquor to anyone under 18 years • Cannot employ waitresses under 17 years • Cannot permit consumption by anyone under 18 years on premises <p>Premises Restrictions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can only supply liquor at the licensed premises specified in your licence • Cannot assign, lease, or let the licensed premises • Must display required notices about age restrictions and trading hours <p>Conduct Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cannot supply to intoxicated persons • Must not permit disorderly conduct • Must produce licence when requested by authorities

9	Can I extend my trading hours?	<p>Yes, you can apply to extend your trading hours beyond those specified in your licence. However, extensions cannot exceed any trading hours prescribed by the Minister for your licence class or area.</p> <p>Fees for extensions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3+ months: \$4 per hour extended • Less than 3 months: \$22 per hour extended
10	Can I transfer my licence to another person or premises?	<p>No, liquor licences cannot be transferred to another person or different premises. If you want to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change the licensed premises: You must apply for a new licence for the new location • Transfer to another operator: The new operator must apply for their own licence
11	What happens if I breach licence conditions?	<p>Breaching licence conditions can result in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suspension of licence (up to 6 months) • Cancellation of licence • Fines and penalties • Criminal charges for serious breaches
12	What are the penalties for operating without a licence?	<p>Operating without a liquor licence is an offence under Section 4(3):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First offence: Fine up to \$20,000 • Repeat offender: Fine up to \$20,000 or imprisonment up to 3 months, or both • Enhanced penalties apply if the offence occurs in a Liquor Control Zone (up to 1.5 times the normal penalty)
13	Are there restrictions on online sales?	<p>Yes, when supplying liquor online or through telecommunication services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must warn customers that buying liquor under 18 years is an offence • Must inform customers about penalties • Cannot supply to anyone you know or should know is under 18 years • Special requirements apply for third-party e-commerce platforms
14	What is the "no-public drinking period"?	<p>This refers to prescribed periods when individuals cannot consume liquor in public places. However, consumption is permitted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At licensed premises during trading hours (if the licence permits on-premises consumption) • At events with consumption permits • At prescribed public places under prescribed conditions • In emergencies or religious ceremonies
15	How long does the application process take?	<p>Processing time typically takes around 3 weeks but it may vary depending on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completeness of your application • Complexity of your proposal • Need for additional assessments or consultations • Whether you meet all requirements
16	Can I appeal if my application is rejected?	<p>Yes, you can appeal to the Liquor Appeal Board if the Licensing Officer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refuses to grant or renew your licence • Removes, modifies, or adds conditions to your licence • Suspends or cancels your licence <p>The Liquor Appeal Board's decision is final.</p>
17	What if I want to sell different types of alcohol?	<p>The type of alcohol you can sell depends on your licence class:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classes 1A, 1B, 3A, 4: All types of liquor (including spirits, wine, beer) • Classes 2A, 2B, 3B: Beer only • Class 5: Depends on the specific temporary licence granted <p>You cannot sell alcohol types not permitted by your licence class.</p>
18	Do I need multiple licences for multiple premises?	<p>Yes, each premises requires its own separate liquor licence. You cannot use one licence to cover multiple locations. However, you may hold multiple licences for different premises.</p>
19	What support is available for licence holders?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidance on compliance requirements • Information on licence conditions and obligations • Appeals process through the Liquor Appeal Board • Composition (settlement) options for certain offences
20	Are there any exemptions available?	<p>The Minister may grant exemptions from certain provisions of the Act by order in the Gazette, subject to conditions. However, exemptions are not available for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Circumstances already specified in the Act (like religious ceremonies) • Prescribed public places with prescribed conditions
21	Will my licence for extension of operating hours be automatically renewed?	<p>Licence for extension of operating hours will NOT be renewed automatically. If you wish to continue the extension, you are required to reapply for a new extension of liquor licence, prior to the expiry of the current licence via GoBusiness. A reminder letter will be sent one month before the expiry date of the regular extension.</p> <p>No reminder will be sent for ad hoc extensions of less than three months. The extension licence will lapse on expiry if no application for extension is received.</p>
22	Is a termination of a liquor licence reversible?	<p>Once a termination notification has been submitted, the licence termination is effected and cannot be reversed.</p>
23	Will I be entitled to a refund for an early termination of my liquor licence?	<p>. Under the Liquor Control (Supply and Consumption) (Liquor Licensing) Regulations 2015, fees paid for liquor licences are non-refundable.</p>

24	Can I appeal against the decision of the Licensing Officer?	<p>You may make a written appeal to the Liquor Appeal Board (LAB) within 14 days of notice to any of the following decisions:</p> <p>a) Refusal to grant or renew a liquor licence; b) Remove or modify any restriction or condition of a liquor licence, or add any new restriction or condition to a liquor licence; c) Suspend or cancel a liquor licence.</p> <p>Decision on an application to extend trading hours is NOT an appealable decision.</p> <p>An appeal can be addressed to:</p> <p>Liquor Appeal Board 391 New Bridge Road Police Cantonment Complex Block A, #02-02 Singapore 088762</p>
25	What restrictions apply to the supply and consumption of liquor at Outdoor Refreshment Areas (ORAs)?	<p>The supply and consumption of liquor at ORAs is dependent on the trading hours stipulated in the liquor licence of the ORA or the time allowed for the authorised use of the ORA, whichever is earlier. For instance, if the trading hours of the liquor licence is from 0600hrs to 2359hrs, and the timing of the ORA is till 2300hrs, then the supply and consumption of liquor at the ORA is permitted until 2300hrs.</p>
26	Can I have one Class 5 licence for non-consecutive dates?	<p>The Class 5 licence must be for consecutive dates. If the event occurs on non-consecutive dates, separate Class 5 licences must be applied.</p>