



Bar & Grill Liquor License

Yearly License Fee is \$5,000 for the first year and \$3,000 every year after

Effective July 1, 2023 the Wyoming State Legislature approved the use of Bar and Grill liquor licenses for entertainment uses as well as defined in Wyoming State Statutes and Laramie Municipal Code.

W.S. 12-1-101 (xxvii) "Entertainment" means any activity designed to provide diversion or amusement, regardless of the age required for the activity. "Entertainment" shall not include adult entertainment as defined by the local licensing authority or gambling.

LMC 5.09. "Adult Entertainment" means entertainment including but not limited to activities described in LMC 15.28.030.A.318.

(LMC 15.28.030.A.318 318. "Sexually oriented business" means an adult arcade, adult bookstore, adult novelty shop, adult video store, adult cabaret, adult motel, adult motion picture theater, adult theater, sexual encounter establishment or nude model studio. The definition of sexually oriented businesses shall not include an establishment where a medical practitioner, psychologist, psychiatrist or similar professional person licensed by the state engages in medically approved and recognized sexual therapy. (Ord. 1344 § 2 (part), 2001).)

W.S. 12-4-413 (f) Bar and grill liquor licensees shall not sell alcoholic or malt beverages for off-premises consumption from the licensed building owned or leased by the licensee except as allowed under W.S. 12-4-410(e) this subsection. The following shall apply to sales of alcoholic and malt beverages:

(i) All sales of alcoholic and malt beverages authorized by a bar and grill liquor license shall cease at the time food sales and services cease or at the hours specified by W.S. 12-5-101(a) if food sales and services extend beyond the hours specified therein;

(ii) A bar and grill liquor licensee may permit a patron to remove one (1) partially consumed bottle of wine for off-premises consumption provided that the patron has purchased a full course meal and consumed a portion of the bottle of wine with the meal on the bar and grill premises. For purposes of this paragraph the term "full course meal" shall mean food which cannot conveniently be consumed while standing or walking. A partially consumed bottle of wine that is to be removed from the premises pursuant to this paragraph shall be securely sealed by the licensee or an agent of the licensee and placed in a tamper-proof transparent bag which shall also be securely sealed prior to removal from the premises, so that it is visibly apparent that the resealed bottle of wine has not been tampered with. The licensee or agent of the licensee shall provide a dated receipt for the bottle of wine to the patron. Wine which is resealed in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph shall not be deemed an open container for purposes of W.S. 31-5-235.

(g) An applicant for a bar and grill liquor license shall satisfy the appropriate licensing authority that not less than sixty percent (60%) of revenue from the operation of the bar and grill to be

licensed will be derived from food services, entertainment or a combination of food services and entertainment and not from the sale of alcoholic or malt beverages.

(h) When renewing a bar and grill liquor license, the appropriate licensing authority shall condition renewal upon a requirement that not less than sixty percent (60%) of gross sales from the preceding twelve (12) months operation of a licensed bar and grill be derived from food services, entertainment or a combination of food services and entertainment.

(j) The appropriate licensing authority shall consider the type, level and appropriateness of food services and entertainment sales proposed in each application when determining whether to issue or renew a bar and grill license.

(k) Upon application for license renewal, a license holder shall submit an annual report to the licensing authority on the sales of the licensed bar and grill. The report shall contain the annual gross sales figures of the bar and grill and shall separate the gross sales figures into the following three (3) categories:

- (i) Food service sales;
- (ii) Alcoholic and malt beverage sales;
- (iii) Entertainment sales.

Laramie Municipal Code references to liquor laws are located in LMC 5.09.

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Wyoming State Statute references to liquor laws are located in part in Title 12.

<https://wyoleg.gov/statutes/compress/title12.pdf>

Requirements:

When renewing a bar and grill liquor license, the city council shall condition renewal upon a requirement that not less than sixty percent of gross sales from the proceeding twelve months operation of a licensed restaurant be derived from food services and entertainment sales. (60 % Food Sales minimum)

Bar and Grill liquor licensees shall not sell alcoholic or malt beverages for consumption off the premises owned or leased by the licensee as authorized by the local licensing authority.

- Must complete an approved application for liquor license accompanied by all required documents. New licenses must provide:
 - o application (LMC 5.09.060.A)
 - o floor plan (LMC 5.09.060.B)
 - o menu (LMC 5.09.425.C)
 - o TiPS Training report (LMC 5.09.060.G)
 - o lease, if applicable, must contain a provision for Sale of Alcoholic or Malt Beverages and must be in the same entities name that applied for the license. (W.S. 12-4-103(a)(iii))
 - o application fee of \$50
 - o valid food license (LMC 5.09.470.A.)

- A statement indicating the financial condition and financial stability of the applicant
(W.S. 12-4-102 (a) (vi))

Application Process:

- Upon receiving a completed application and all accompanying documents the City Clerk will send notice to the newspaper and posted on premise location for two consecutive weeks.
- After required posting period has been met a Public Hearing will be held by City Council to hear any comments or concerns from the public related to issuance of the requested license.
- City Council will consider the license application at the next regular Council meeting to determine whether to approve or deny the application.
- The City Clerk will send an invoice to the license holder that includes the annual fee and publication cost.
- Once the license fees have been paid and the City Clerk has done an inspection the license can be issued by the City Clerk.

(Please plan for about three or four weeks total for processing. The total time will be determined by how the application is turned in complete to the City Clerk.)

Point System for alcoholic beverage license violations and suspensions:

Laramie Municipal Code 5.09.800 contains the information for the point system.

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Issuing of License:

Once the City Council has reviewed the application and approved the award of a license the City Clerk may issue the license if the following conditions have been met:

1. The licensee has received a Certificate of Occupancy from the Building Inspector signifying that the building has met code/fire requirements.
2. A Food License has been issued by the State of Wyoming Department of Agriculture signifying that the establishment meets all health code requirements to serve/sell manufactured malt beverages.

Until the above conditions have been met the license remains awarded and must be paid for to maintain the license within the year allotted by W.S § Title 12 and LMC 5.09.060.

Questions or additional information available:

City Clerk's Office Phone: 307-721-5220 Email: clerk@cityoflaramie.org or nancyb@cityoflaramie.org

Wyoming Liquor Division Website: <http://liquor.wyoming.gov/>