

ORDINANCE #2022-18

AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT TO
CHAPTER 17
OF THE ORDINANCE OF THE BRISTOL TOWN CODE

IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Town Council of Bristol, Rhode Island, that Chapter 17 of the Ordinances of the Town of Bristol be amended as follows:

CHAPTER 17

OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

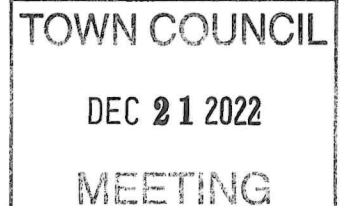
ARTICLE II. Alcoholic Beverage Establishments

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Sec. 17-82. - Number of licenses.

Alcoholic beverage licenses within the town shall be limited in quantity as follows:

- (1) For class A, there shall be a maximum of four licenses;
- (2) For class B limited, there shall be a maximum of six licenses;
- (2.5) For class B-H, there shall be a maximum of one license;
- (3) For class B-T, there shall be none;
- (4) For B-V, there shall be a maximum of 32 licenses;
 - a. The establishment granted this license must close every day no later than 11:00 p.m. Any establishment that has a pre-existing license that allows a closing time later than 11:00 p.m., and wishes to maintain such later closing time, shall remain subject to all previous conditions, including without limitation, with regard to service of food during all of the time that alcohol is being served and also the limit of no more than six seats at any bar, and no seats at any "service bar."
 - b. The establishment granted this license must offer a full-service menu during all business hours, other than the last hour of opening per day, at which time food must be offered but may be a limited menu. "Full-service" menu shall mean food that is prepared and cooked, not just reheated, on the premises. Every establishment shall submit copies of both their full-service menu and limited menu, if any, at initial application and with each renewal application. The ratio of service of food to service of alcohol must be a minimum of 53 percent of food service by dollar sales, and every establishment shall submit an affidavit signed by the license holder attesting to and setting forth the actual ratio for the previous year, with each renewal application. Failure to maintain such ratio shall be grounds for reduction in bar seats, as set forth in subsection c. below.



- c. The establishment granted this license shall submit a floor plan which shows the layout, including all tables, seats, bar seats, etc., where alcoholic beverages may be served. Patrons shall be able to order food at every seat in the establishment, including all bar seats. The licensing board shall determine the total number of bar seats, as part of the town's policy goal of maintaining restaurants, and neither bars nor nightclubs, under this class of license.
 - d. The establishment may maintain one or more "service bars" at the discretion of the licensing board. A "service bar" shall mean an area where food and/or alcoholic beverages are prepared but are "served" only to other staff members who then transport such food or drink to patrons.
 - e. Any existing licensed establishment that wishes to increase the number of its bar seats, and that will comply with all of the requirements of this subsection, may avail itself of such increase only with the consent of the license board at a duly noticed hearing, either as an amendment or upon transfer or renewal.
 - f. The council will review the licensee six months from the date of issuance.
- (5) For class C, there shall be none;
 - (6) For class D, there shall be a maximum of ~~seven~~ six licenses;
 - (7) For class D limited, there shall be none; and
 - (8) For class T, there shall be a maximum of one license.

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This ordinance shall take place upon its passage.

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