

# Changes to the sale and supply of alcohol

## Development of regulations and fees

This factsheet explains how regulations related to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 (including risk-based licence fees) will be developed. This factsheet also explains how you can be involved.

### Regulations

To give effect to aspects of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 (the new Act), regulations are required. The regulations relate to the following areas:

- licensing system
- local alcohol policies (LAPs)
- risk-based fees (more details below)
- grocery store eligibility
- licensee obligations
- alcohol control areas (liquor bans)
- evidence of age
- infringement offences
- manager qualification
- remote sales
- licensing and community trusts

These regulations are being developed over the 12 months after the new Act is passed. This process will include public consultation.

### What is the process for developing regulations?

The key stages of regulation development occurring over the next year are:

- policy development
- drafting of the regulations
- consultation on the draft regulations
- final approval by the Government
- implementation

### How can you be involved?

Further detail on the consultation process will be provided at [www.justice.govt.nz](http://www.justice.govt.nz) as the regulations are developed.

### Risk-based fees

The Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 allows for the introduction of a risk-based licence fee scheme through regulation.

This risk-based fees scheme aims to recover the costs associated with alcohol licensing. It also aims to incentivise licensees and managers to improve their practices to reduce the risk of alcohol-related harm. Overall, licensing costs are expected to increase.

### What will the risk factors be?

The risk factors are yet to be decided.

Work is underway to determine the factors most strongly linked with alcohol-related harm. Potential risk-factors for licensed premises could include trading hours and their history of compliance.

### What is the process and how can you be involved?

A public discussion document outlining the proposed approach will be released in early

#### RELATED FACTSHEETS

- What's changing and when
- Applications during transitional period
- Interim licences
- Local alcohol policies: overview

2013. This document will be circulated to a range of agencies and will be available at [www.justice.govt.nz](http://www.justice.govt.nz).

The discussion document will allow licensees, managers, territorial authorities and the general public to comment on the proposed fees and fee-setting process.

The fee regulations will be completed by the end of 2013.

#### **Will fees be set nationally or locally?**

This is yet to be decided, but it is likely there will be a mixture of nationally and locally set fees.

The options for setting fees the breakdown of central and local costs will be set out in the public discussion document.

#### **What are the fees in the meantime?**

Applicants will continue to pay the same level of fee as they do now under the Sale of Liquor Regulations 1990. The current main licensing-related fees are:

#### **When will the new fees come into effect?**

The new fee structure and the dates they come into effect will be set by regulation. The regulations will also set out transitional arrangements.

#### **What other changes may happen to fees?**

The Government also has the ability to impose an annual fee on licensees through regulations. Late payment of any annual fee will incur penalties and failure to pay will result in suspension of the licence.

<b>Application type</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Application, renewal (every three years) or variation of licence conditions for an on-, off-, or club licence	\$793.24
Application for a special licence	\$64.40
Application for temporary authority (3 months)	\$134.93
BYO on-licence application, caterers or auctioneers off-licence application, renewal (every 3 years) or variation of licence conditions	\$134.93
Managers certificate application or renewal (every three years)	\$134.93
Temporary licence during repairs, etc	\$134.93
Application of notice of appeal	\$329.16
Permanent charter club annual fee	\$1058.00