

Newsletter

We have deliberately chosen not to send newsletters over recent months as there has been little change to the new legislative or licence renewal timetable. As that position looks to be changing to assist any concerns about the forthcoming changes to the law and importantly, the renewal process for existing licences, this update is intended to assist.

We intend to give a further update around 20th November 2022 when the final processes and approvals will be known – in the intervening period, we hope the below will provide useful information.

Legislation update

Regulations supporting the *'Liquor Licensing and Public Entertainment Act 2021'* go before Tynwald for approval in the November sitting. The Regulations drafted combine retaining similar provisions to the current legislation blended with significant variation around supervision of premises, procedural matters around applications and many other aspects of the legislation.

We will continue to monitor and update you with information. It is intended at this time to hold presentation sessions to assist your understanding – dates to be advised to assist operators with information around the revised provisions – watch this space.

Licensing Court Triennial Sessions

Your current licence is valid to 31st March 2023 without the payment of any additional fees.

It is anticipated at this time the Court announce in late November the process and procedure to make renewal - the Court is wisely awaiting the outcome of the Licencing Regulations passing through Tynwald before committing but it is safe to say some form of procedure will be required between January and 1st April 2023.

We will monitor how the Department of Home Affairs and the Licencing Court intend to proceed within the framework of the new legislation but as always, we will be offering training workshops and bespoke application processes so keep monitoring these circulations for updates.

Training

A comprehensive range of e-learning courses specifically tailed to the requirements of the Manx industry is now available focussing on delivering high quality online learning, minimising disruption to your staff schedule whilst developing your skills and those of your team in a cost effective way. The following accredited courses are available to book now

- Fire Safety (supervision/fire marshal level)
- Fire safety (staff awareness level)

- Food Safety (Level 2 initially)

In anticipation of the new legislation and the requirements within, during late October we will be adding further eLearning training to cover

- Responsible person for on-licensed premises
- Responsible person for off-licensed premises
- Doorstaff

The current classroom training for Designated official and Doorstaff will cease and a new '*Level 2 qualification for operations in licensed premises*' will provide a more meaningful and interactive training experience for responsible persons and members of doorstaff.

In the early part of 2023, we will introduce a cost effective course designed for general alcohol server training in licenced premises – this will enable you to provide complete compliance protection for your business at a very low cost per staff member

Our full day classroom based First Aid at Work course (FAAW) is specifically designed for retail and hospitality. If your insurance company or risk assessments require this training, we can offer a competitively priced session with qualified trainer.

We have also been in contact with the IOM Government Vocational Training Assistance Scheme (VTAS) team – we are pleased to inform you that the eLearning Responsible person, Doorstaff and Level 2, Food Safety training, and the classroom Level 2 qualification for licensed premises all qualify for financial assistance to applicants under the VTAS scheme.

Please get in touch to find out more about how we can fulfil your training requirements. To register for any training, go to the website www.kneale.im and toggle to 'LMS courses' or alternatively scroll down to 'Training' and go to links – it takes you to the information page on the training. Then go to the link at the bottom of the information page, it will take you straight to the booking facility where you can see the training schedule.