



Effective Immediately:

Emergency Regulations Regarding Alcohol Pickup and Delivery

The Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board held an emergency meeting and adopted emergency regulations that outline processes, procedures, requirements, and restrictions pertaining to the curbside pickup and home delivery of alcohol on a short-term, temporary basis during this crisis.

Lieutenant Governor Kevin Meyer signed and filed those today, which means that they are now effective. A copy of the language can be found [here](#), and FAQs – co-authored by Alaska CHARR and the Alcohol & Marijuana Control Office (AMCO) – about who qualifies and how to comply with the rules can be found [here](#).

Important Notes:

- If you are a qualifying licensee and have already begun or wish to begin conducting any of these activities, **you must receive written approval from AMCO**. The process is relatively simple and fast, and clear instructions can be found directly on their [homepage here](#).
 - Correction from Yesterday's Email: The bullet that stated that growlers must have TTB-compliant labels was precautionary and based on ABC Board members' comments; this is **not** a requirement. The adopted regulatory language is less strict: AMCO has stated that a label applied by the licensee that includes the type of beer/cider within the growler and the name of the licensee who seals the growler would be adequate.

Alaska CHARR highly recommends that any businesses who choose to allow customers to bring their own growlers for beer/cider fills should thoroughly sanitize the container and any surfaces that it comes into contact with, in order to protect public health and help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Bi-weekly Industry Call:

Today, we had an extremely informative industry call with industry attorneys from Holland & Knight, Jessica Brown – an expert in Alaska alcohol law – and Christopher Slottee – an expert at Small Business Administration (SBA) programs. They gave updates and answered questions regarding the temporary changes to alcohol laws and regulations, and the statuses of the Payroll Protection Program (PPP) and Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) loan programs through the Small Business Association (SBA). Special thanks to Jessie and Chris for sharing your time and knowledge!

If you need assistance with SBA loans – including PPP or EIDL – please email christopher.slottee@hklaw.com.

If you need assistance with alcohol and other business-related matters, please email jessica.brown@hklaw.com.

We will be hosting another industry call on **Tuesday, April 21 at 1:00pm.**

For next week's calls, we plan to have a representative from the National Restaurant Association who will provide federal updates, and a tax expert.

With all of the recent seclusion, we miss you!

Please join us with your smiling faces for our Zoom video call next Tuesday at 1:00pm by using the following link:

<https://zoom.us/j/99055242766?pwd=eU52V0t3cExkYmN0QkZLRDNTYkVKdz09>

Meeting ID: 990 5524 2766

Password: CHARR

Or via one tap mobile:

+16699006833,,99055242766#,,#,485120#

You may also dial in by phone at:

1-669-900-6833

Meeting ID: 990 5524 2766

Password: 485120

Government + CHARR Collaboration to Reopen Alaska Hospitality

This afternoon, our President & CEO, Sarah Oates, along with the entire Alaska CHARR Executive Committee and Glenn Brady, Chairman of the ABC Board, met with Governor Dunleavy, Dr. Anne Zink, and Commissioner Adam Crum to begin collaboration and discussions regarding responsible reopening of Alaska hospitality businesses. Our team will continue to work in partnership with the Governor and State officials to ensure that the multi-phased reopening is done in a manner that will best help as much of Alaska hospitality as possible, while preserving public health and safety.

COVID-19 Safety Procedures for ID Checking for Alcohol Curbside Pickup and Delivery

Due to large demand, Alaska CHARR has put together the following recommendations to meet the requirements set forth in emergency regulations regarding ID checking and verification, and to protect public health and safety by preventing the spread of COVID-19. Please note that these are strictly recommendations and are in addition to standard ID checking requirements, but social/physical distancing, frequent sanitation, and PPE should be used whenever possible, and ID checking is **mandatory for all alcohol curbside pickup and delivery sales.**

- The licensee or employee who is checking the ID should wear a mask and fresh pair of gloves, whenever possible, with each customer interaction
- When the licensee or employee receives the customer's ID, she/he should step back 6-10 feet before asking the customer to remove or lower a mask/covering
- The customer should be asked to return the mask/covering to her/his face before the licensee or employee returns the ID and potentially hands the customer the alcohol and/or food
- The licensee or employee should immediately dispose of the gloves before touching any other surfaces and regularly sanitize any regularly-used surfaces (door handles, etc.)

Economic Impact Surveys

This is your friendly reminder that the more data that our industry organizations are able to collect, the better we can advocate for the resources that you need most.

The National Restaurant Association is asking restaurants across the entire state of Alaska to fill out their survey [here](#).

The Anchorage Economic Recovery Task Force is asking for all businesses in the Anchorage area to fill out their survey [here](#).

The Alaska CHARR team continues to work around the clock, at your service to [#saveAKhospitality!](#)

****Disclaimer: Please note that none of the enclosed information is intended to be presented or considered as legal advice, but only as recommendations by Alaska CHARR for safe practices for a responsible industry.**