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THE NATIONAL MOD THE ARGYLL AND BUTE LICENSING BOARD POLICY ON EXTENDED LICENSED HOURS FOR ON SALES PREMISES

This notification is relevant to on sales licensed premises in the Oban area.

This is the Licensing Board's policy on extended licensing hours for the National Mod 2024 being held in Oban from 11 to 19 October 2024.

Section 68 of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 requires that licensees must apply for an extended hours licence should they wish to remain open out-with their core licensing hours.

Extended Hours for the Mod

The extended hours will be to a maximum of 3:00am for the full period of the Mod, with the exception of the final evening where 4am is possible on application.

Applying for Extended Hours

If you intend providing music, live performance, and/or dance you must ensure that the relevant boxes on the premises licence operating plan are marked YES or Y. If you have NO or N recorded you cannot provide such entertainment.

Full terms and conditions for applying for extended hours are attached. In summary, each application must be made not less than **35 days** prior to the event to be licensed. However the sooner the better. In addition, each application should fully describe the events taking place on the premises during the period of extended hours. Simple statements such as "The Mod" or "Mod Entertainment" are not sufficient and the application may be refused.

Applications for an extended hours licence can be made online by visiting the Council's website at - <http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/licences/extended-hours-licence> - or by the paper application attached. The fee for an extended hours licence is £10.00 (ten pounds) and postal applications should be addressed to – The Clerk to the Board, Argyll and Bute Licensing Board, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, PA31 8RT. If paying by cheque make payable to Argyll and Bute Council.

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Patron Curfew

The licensing board has waived the late night patron curfew for the period of the Mod.

Music Curfew

Live and/or recorded music will cease at least one half hour prior to the terminal hour of the extended hours granted.

Late Night Opening Conditions

In addition to the mandatory premises licence conditions the licensing board may impose late night conditions similar to the attached schedule.

Further information on extended licences and the application process can be obtained from the licensing board. Contact:

E-mail: licensing@argyll-bute.gov.uk

EXTENDED HOURS LICENCE APPLICATIONS

The Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005, Section 68 provides for the grant of an extended hours licence to licensed premises to extend the core hours of the premises in connection with –

- 1. a special event or occasion to be catered for on the premises; or**
- 2. a special event of local or nation significance**

An extended hour's licence has effect for such period granted by the licensing board, however, the period of grant can be no more than one month. It is important to note that an extended hours licence will only be granted for a special event or occasion or an event of national significance. Regular events, by definition, cannot be considered special or significant. Each application will be treated on its own merits, but the following events could be considered special or significant:

- ✓ Weddings
- ✓ Birthdays
- ✓ Charity fundraisers
- ✓ Christmas and New Year Celebrations
- ✓ Local and National celebrations

The information supplied in support of the application is crucial. In this respect, the Argyll and Bute Licensing Board Policy Statement 2013 – 2016 advises at paragraph 8.9:

“...the applicant will have to demonstrate the hours requested are appropriate in the circumstances. The applicant should provide to the Board sufficient information to enable a decision to be made.

This will include:-

- ❖ *hours sought;*
- ❖ *the description of the special event or occasion;*
- ❖ *what activities are proposed to take place during the hours sought;*
- ❖ *when each activity will take place;*
- ❖ *why the event or occasion is considered to be special; and*
- ❖ *why the event or occasion cannot take place within the on-sales hours...”*

Please note that applications require to be submitted 35 days prior to the event.

LATE HOURS CONDITIONS FOR OBAN NATIONAL MOD
11th TO 19th OCTOBER 2024

The licensing board will impose conditions similar to the following depending on the event venue.

Late Opening Conditions

1. A person trained to the satisfaction of the Licensing Board in administering first aid must be present on the premises from 1.00am (on any day when the premises are open at that time) until whichever is the earlier of:-

 - (a) The time at which the premises next close, and
 - (b) 5.00am
2. A designated person who is the holder of a personal licence must be present on the premises From 1:00am (on any day when the premises are open at that time) until whichever is the earlier of:-

 - (a) The time at which the premises next close; and
 - (b) 5:00am or such other time as the Licensing Board may specify.

Specific Conditions

1. Live and/or recorded music will cease at least one half hour prior to the terminal hour of the extended hours granted.
 2. The licensee shall ensure that adequate stewarding is provided within the premises and on door duty from 11:00pm to the end of the extended hour's period. The number of stewards on duty will be at the discretion of the licensee who will be mindful of the numbers and safety of patrons attending and the wellbeing of the stewards. Stewards will be dressed so that they are easily identifiable to police and patrons.
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1. The use of smoke machines within licensed premises is prohibited.