

Melanie S. Griffin, Secretary

Ron DeSantis, Governor

Dear Quota Beverage License Holder:

The Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco (the Division) is thinking of you as Southwest Florida recovers from the impacts of Hurricane Ian. If your business cannot be open due to damage from the storm, please know that you DO NOT have to sell your license to a broker. There are options available to you regarding waiver or extension of the active operation requirements set forth in section 561.29(1) Florida Statutes.

According to Florida Statutes, a licensee must notify the Division in writing of any period during which his or her license is inactive and place the physical license with the Division to be held in an inactive status. Notification of inactive status does not waive the active operation requirements applicable to your license. A licensee may also request in writing a one-time waiver or extension of the active operation requirements for a period not to exceed 12 months. Additionally, the Division may, upon written request of the licensee, grant a waiver or extension of the requirements of active operation for a period not to exceed 12 months if the licensee demonstrates that:

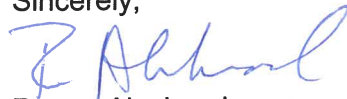
1. The licensed premises has been physically damaged to such an extent that active operation of the business at the premises is impracticable;
2. Construction or remodeling is underway to relocate the license to another location;
3. The licensed premises has been prohibited from making sales as the result of any order of any court of competent jurisdiction, or any action or inaction of a governmental entity relating to the permitting, construction, or occupational capacity of the physical location of the licensed premises.

The Division's form for placing your license in an inactive status or requesting a waiver or extension of the operation requirement — Form DBPR ABT 6027 — Application for Inactive Status or Waiver of Active Operation Requirements for Quota Alcoholic Beverage Licenses — can be found on the Division's website at:

<https://www.myfloridalicense.com/CheckListDetail.asp?SID=&xactCode=8042&clientCode=4008&XACTDEFNID=7120>. Once completed, this application form may be submitted by you via mail or hand delivery to one of our Local ABT Licensing Offices located throughout the state.

As always, please contact the Division if our team can be of assistance in explaining your options, or other licensing matters in the future.

Sincerely,



Renee Alsobrook
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