



October 1 to December 31, 2007

Background

The Liquor Control and Licensing Branch licences B.C. businesses that make and sell liquor by the glass or bottle, and inspects these businesses to ensure they comply with provincial liquor laws. There are approximately 8,800 licensed establishments in B.C., and 50 compliance and enforcement staff. They are located throughout the province, and can be contacted through the Branch's website.

Liquor inspectors work closely with police and local government staff to encourage licensees to voluntarily comply and reduce potential threats to public safety such as overcrowding, intoxication and service to minors. Liquor inspectors also regularly inspect licensed premises to monitor compliance. When a liquor inspector has evidence that a licensee is contravening the Liquor Control and Licensing Act, Regulations or a licence term and condition, the inspector must issue a Contravention Notice.

Depending on the type of contravention and the establishments' past history, the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch may recommend imposing a penalty as a result of the issued Contravention Notice. These include fines, placing additional terms and conditions on the licence (such as shorter hours), and suspending or cancelling the licence.

In this case the licensee can either accept the contravention and recommended penalty alleged by the branch and sign a waiver, or contest the recommended penalty at an enforcement hearing. Money received from fines goes to provincial government general revenue.

Liquor inspectors also inspect an establishment before the branch approves a new licence, or approves a change to an existing business – such as adding a patio.

To find out about any of the cases listed in the summary that follows, please visit the Enforcement Decisions page on our web site at: <http://www.pssg.gov.bc.ca/lclb/enforcements>. You can search the online database by contravention, business name or case number.

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Enforcement Statistics – October 1 to December 31, 2007

- Inspections by liquor inspectors**
- 2,142 inspections
 - inspections to monitor compliance (1,576)
 - inspections of establishments on licensing matters (566)

- Contraventions**
- 140 including those related to:
 - intoxication (20)
 - permitting consumption after hours (13)
 - operating as a bar when licensed as a restaurant (20)
 - minors (16)
 - overcrowding (7)

- Penalties imposed**
- 31 establishments received penalties totalling:
 - \$39,000
 - 187 days licence suspensions

Summary of Penalties Imposed

City	Name of Business	Contravention	Penalty	Hearing or Waiver	Case Number
100 Mile House	Lakewood Inn	Licensee or employee consuming liquor in premises while on duty	1 day licence suspension	Hearing	EH07-085
		Permit intoxicated person to remain	5 day licence suspension		
Abbotsford	Sammy J. Peppers Restaurant & Lounge	Operate contrary to primary purpose	\$7,500	Waiver	EH07-149
Bella Coola	Bella Coola Valley Inn	Permit intoxicated person to remain	4 day licence suspension	Hearing	EH07-066
Burns Lake	Lakeland Hotel	Selling liquor to intoxicated person	5 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-098
Chilliwack	Empress Hotel	Permit intoxicated person to remain	4 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-153

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Cranbrook	Byng Hotel	Licensee or employee consuming liquor in premises while on duty	1 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-145
	Days Inn - Cranbrook	Overcrowding beyond person capacity more than occupant load	4 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-146
Dawson Creek	George Dawson Inn	Licensee or employee consuming liquor in premises while on duty	1 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-132
Delta	North Delta Inn	Minors in premises	\$3000	Waiver	EH07-006
		Minors in premises	1 day licence suspension		EH07-009
	One 20 Pub	Minors in premises	4 day licence suspension	Hearing	EH07-097
Elkford	The Lamplighter	Unlawful sale of illicit liquor	\$7500	Waiver	EH07-136
Kamloops	Village Hotel	Supplying liquor to minors	10 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-157
Kimberley	The Edge Pub & Hostel	Allowing customers to consume liquor beyond liquor service hours	4 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-154
Lumby	Lumby Hotel	Overcrowding beyond person capacity more than occupant load	4 day licence suspension	Hearing	EH07-092
MacKenzie	Alexander MacKenzie Hotel	Failing to clear patrons after liquor service has ended	1 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-134
		Licensee or employee consuming liquor in premises while on duty	1 day licence suspension		

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New Westminster	College Place Hotel	Supplying liquor to minors	10 day licence suspension	Hearing	EH06-065 EH06-079
		Minors in premises	3 day licence suspension		
Pemberton	Pemberton Hotel	Permit a person to become intoxicated	20 day licence suspension	Hearing	EH07-060
Port Alice	Quatsino Pub	Selling liquor to intoxicated person	4 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-129
Richmond	Green Bean Café	Supplying to minors	10 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-137
	Hanoi Harbor Vietnamese Restaurant	Failing to clear liquor from tables after liquor service has ended	14 day licence suspension	Hearing	EH07-075
	Zodiac Karaoke Cabaret	Minors in premises	4 day licence suspension	Hearing	EH07-117
Surrey	Earl's (10160 - 152 nd Street)	Supplying to minors	\$7500	Hearing	EH07-100
	Boston Pizza (100 th Avenue)	Supplying to minors	\$7500	Waiver	EH07-166
	Treerock Brewhouse Pub & Bistro	Minors in premises	4 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-147
Vancouver	Café Deux Soleils	Prohibited Entertainment	3 day licence suspension	Hearing	EH07-054
		Operating contrary to primary purpose	15 day licence suspension		
		Liquor removed from establishment	\$1000	Waiver	EH07-089

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	Columbia Hotel	Supplying liquor to minors	10 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-044
		Contravening a term and condition – selling liquor, hours of sale	1 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-050
		Allowing customers to consume liquor beyond liquor service hours	7 day licence suspension		
		Permit intoxicated person to remain	\$5000		
Vanderhoof	Glens Motor Hotel	Selling liquor to intoxicated person	6 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-101
	Grand Trunk Inn	Permit intoxicated person to remain	12 day licence suspension	Hearing	EH07-099
Whistler	Araxi's Restaurant	Overcrowding beyond person capacity greater than occupant load	4 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-162
	Hilton Whistler Resort & Spa	Overcrowding beyond person capacity more than occupant load	4 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-161
		Minors in premises	4 day licence suspension		
		Liquor removed from establishment	1 day licence suspension		
White Rock	Cielo's Restaurant	Liquor removed from establishment	1 day licence suspension	Hearing	EH07-090