



CITY POLICY

No. R-2

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TITLE: BEER GARDEN POLICY AND REGULATIONS

The following Policy and Regulations have been developed to assist in controlling and regulating the public consumption of alcohol in City parks.

1. On recommendation from the Beer Garden Review Committee, consisting of one representative each from the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department, the RCMP and the City Clerk's office, Council may approve beer garden licenses in the City of Surrey each year.
2. Council's approval of a beer garden license is contingent on the organization obtaining a "Special Occasion License" through the Province and the RCMP.
3. For each day that a beer garden operates, a separate license is required; for example, a two-day event requires two licenses.
4. Annually in January, the City Clerk shall advertise the criteria for applying for a beer garden license for that year.
5. Only applications from bona fide community organizations (club, group, organization, association or society) will be considered. Profits from the operation of each beer garden must be directed to a charitable or civic purpose and must not accrue to the organization or society making application for the license.
6. A representative from each organization making an application must have attended **a Beer Gardens Information Seminar**, which is organized jointly by the RCMP, ICBC and the City of Surrey. A Certificate of Attendance at the seminar must be attached to the application. Failure to demonstrate attendance at this seminar will render the application(s) ineligible for consideration.
7. Licensees must provide a financial statement to the City Clerk by August 31 of the same year for all beer gardens held during the period between January 1st to July 31st and by December 31st of the same year for all beer gardens held between August 1st and November 31st. The financial statement(s) must clearly document income, expenses, the

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- disposition of all profits and copies of all expense receipts. Failure to provide the financial statement on time or providing incomplete or false information will result in the organization being ineligible for a license the following year.
8. Beer garden license holders must provide to the City proof of liability insurance coverage of at least \$5,000,000 with the City of Surrey named as an additional insured party, endorsed with host liquor liability coverage.
 9. A beer garden is to be held in a tent or within a fenced area and sober adults are to be designated to maintain security at and adequately control all entrances and exits to/from the beer garden area.
 10. Between and including the Victoria Day weekend and September 30 beer gardens may operate between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. During all other times of the year, beer gardens may operate between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and one hour before dusk. Hours of operation outside of the above-referenced hours must be approved by City Council.
 11. Beer or cider is to be dispensed into paper, waxed or plastic cups, which hold one full bottle of beer or cider. Styrofoam cups are not permitted. The licensee shall pour beer or cider from the bottle into the cup, and the filled cup only is to be given to the purchaser/patron.
 12. Licensees must ensure noise levels are kept to acceptable levels so as not to create a nuisance in the area of the beer garden and must provide complete cleanup of the site immediately after the event. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in the organization being ineligible for a license the following year.
 13. Community organizations must conspicuously post the approved **Beer Garden License** and **Special Occasion License** at the designated park site in close proximity to the area where the liquor is being sold.
 14. The sale of liquor at the beer garden shall be restricted to beer and cider and this shall only be served in the designated seating area.
 15. The beer garden and related event must have adequate security and staffing. Security personnel must be readily distinguishable at the event through visible identification (i.e., T-shirt, arm band, uniform, etc.).
 16. Security personnel must check identification at each entrance to the beer garden to ensure that minors do not enter the beer garden and are not being sold liquor.
 17. Security personnel shall not consume alcohol while on duty or while wearing clothing identifying them as security personnel.
 18. The licensee must provide access to food service and public restrooms during the hours of operation of the beer garden.
 19. The hours for the sale of and the selling price for beer and cider will be as outlined in the posted License for each beer garden.
 20. No off-premise sale of liquor shall take place (i.e., no liquor sold in the beer garden may be taken outside the beer garden for consumption).

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