

**Third Session Fifth Parliament Republic of Trinidad
and Tobago**



REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Act No. 3 of 1998

[L.S.]

AN ACT to amend the Liquor Licences Act, Chap. 84:10

[Assented to February 12, 1998]

ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as Enactment
follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Liquor Licences Short title
(Amendment) Act, 1998.

Act amended

2. In this Act, the Liquor Licences Act is referred to as "the Act".

PART VA
added to the Act

3. The Act is amended by inserting after section 47 the following Part:

"PART VA

SPECIAL EVENT LICENCE

Application
of Part VA

47A. Where the provisions of this Part conflict with the provisions of any other Part, the provisions of this Part shall apply.

Definitions

47B. In this Part:

"plan" means a drawing of the premises indicating the number of rooms and facilities therein;

"premises" includes a booth erected for the purpose of selling intoxicating liquor during the celebration of a special event;

"special event" means the celebration of any event so declared by the President under section 47c(2).

Special event
licence

47C. (1) It shall be lawful for any person to whom a special event licence is granted under this Part to sell intoxicating liquor during the celebration of a special event at the premises stipulated in the said licence

between the hours and on the days specified therein.

(2) For the purposes of this Part, the President may by Order declare any event celebrated over a period of time to be a special event for that period of time.

Application to
Licensing
Authority

47D. (1) Every person desiring to obtain a special event licence shall, within a reasonable time after the publication of the Order referred to in section 47C(2), make an application to the Licensing Authority.

(2) For the purposes of this Part, but subject to section 47G(2), the Clerk of the Peace assigned to the Magisterial District in which the premises are situated shall be the Licensing Authority.

Particulars to
be stated in
application

47E. (1) Every application shall state—

(a) the name, occupation, age and address of the applicant;

(b) the identification number appearing on his—

(i) I.D. card;

(ii) passport; or

(iii) driving permit.

(c) the precise address and location of the premises; and

(d) the date of the special event.

(2) The premises in respect of which an application is made shall comprise an area of not more than five hundred square feet.

(3) Every application shall be accompanied by a plan of the premises together with a fee of ten dollars for each day of the special event.

Copy of application to be submitted to the police station

47F. (1) A copy of the application and plan of the premises shall be submitted to the officer in charge of the Police Station within the Magisterial District in which the premises are situated.

(2) The police officer, on receipt of the copy of the application, shall acknowledge same by affixing the station stamp on the original application and certifying the receipt of the copy thereon.

(3) The officer in charge of the Police Station may object to the granting of a special event licence and his objection shall be submitted to the Licensing Authority not more than two days after the date of the receipt of the copy of the application.

Licensing Authority to grant Licence where there is no objection

47G. (1) Where there is no objection by the police, the Licensing Authority may, within four days of the receipt of the application, grant a special event licence to the applicant in respect of the premises referred to in the application.

(2) Where an objection has been submitted by the police, the Licensing Authority shall set the matter down for hearing for the day following the day on which the objection was received and such objection shall be heard and determined by a Magistrate within a reasonable time before the day on which the special event is celebrated.

Special event
licence to be
in the form of
occasional
licence with
modification

47H. A special event licence shall be in the form of the occasional licence with the words "special event licence" substituted for the words "occasional licence".

Restriction

47I. (1) An applicant may not apply for more than one special event licence in respect of each special event.

(2) An applicant who contravenes subsection (1) is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of one thousand dollars."

Passed in the House of Representatives this 6th day of February, 1998.

J. SAMPSON
Clerk of the House

Passed in the Senate this 10th day of February, 1998.

N. COX
Clerk of the Senate