

INFORMATION SHEET: SMALL BAR LIQUOR LICENCES

The NSW Government introduced small bar liquor licences in 2013 to encourage more diverse night-time entertainment options.

Small bars are limited to 60 patrons and cannot provide gaming machines or takeaway alcohol.

They appeal to patrons seeking to enjoy a drink in a smaller, quieter and more intimate setting.

Fifty venues across NSW currently operate with a small bar licence. The number of small bar licences in operation at the following dates was:

- 31 December 2013 9
- 31 December 2014 27
- 31 December 2015 48
- 22 June 2016 50

Small bars can trade between noon and 2am in all areas of NSW (subject to council planning approval), except in the Sydney CBD Entertainment Precinct where trading is allowed between noon and midnight.

However, small bars in any area of NSW can apply to the NSW Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority to trade extended hours from 10am up to 5am the following day.

Unlike larger venues, small bars do not need to submit a Community Impact Statement when applying for a liquor licence so long as planning approval is also required, and notice of the planning application has been given to Liquor & Gaming NSW and the local police.

People aged under 18 are not allowed in small bars at times when alcohol can be sold.

Food must be made available to patrons whenever alcohol is sold.

A licence application fee of \$350 applies to small bars. They also pay an annual licence fee of \$204 (as of 2016). Small bar licensees receive an exemption from trading hours risk loadings under the annual liquor licence fee system.

By comparison, general bar hotel licences pay an application fee of \$700, and an annual licence fee of \$255 (as of 2016). General bar licensees are also subject to a trading hours risk loading of \$2,500 for premises authorised to trade between midnight and 1.30am on a regular basis, and \$5,000 for premises authorised to trade after 1.30am on a regular basis (except where they are located in small regional and remote communities).

LIST OF SMALL BARS IN NSW

Licence Name	Suburb
Downstairs	Armidale
The Bellingen Brewing Company Pty Ltd	Bellingen
Bar Chinois	Chippendale
Saga Bar	Chippendale
Tenancy D3	Chippendale
The Oxley Wine Bar	Cowra
Sidecar@Cremorne	Cremorne
1137 Oxford	Darlinghurst
Cru 282	Darlinghurst
Kubricks	Darlinghurst
Stop Valve Espresso & Bar	Darlinghurst
A Glass of Bubbly	East Gosford
Beyond Vintage Wine Bar	Leura
Skeeta & Jacks	Oatley
Titus Jones	Marrickville
Harvest Bar	Milton
Basement on Market Street	Newcastle
Coal & Cedar	Newcastle
Itch Social	Newcastle
Red Baron's	Newcastle West
Secret Garden	Newtown
The Moose Newtown	Newtown
Washington & Co.	Orange
Bar Florian	Port Macquarie
Cellar 8	Pymble
Peg Leg	Pymont
Moyas Juniper Lounge	Redfern
The Dock Redfern	Redfern
The Temperance Society Bar & Cafe Pty Ltd	Summer Hill
Tokyo Bird	Surry Hills
Barrafina Tapas	Sydney
Bulletin Place	Sydney

Burrow Bar	Sydney
Canvas Bar	Sydney
Cava on Kent	Sydney
Crescent Bar	Sydney
Grandma's	Sydney
Klink	Sydney
Nant Whisky Bar	Sydney
Papa Gede's	Sydney
PS40	Sydney
Spawn Point Small Bar	Sydney
The Easy Eight Bar	Sydney
The Swinging Cat Sydney	Sydney
Wolf Wine Bar	Sydney
Mexica Cocktail Bar	Sydney Olympic Park
The Throsby Wollongong	Wollongong
Peekaboo Bar	Woolloomooloo
Studio General	Yamba
Yazzbar	Yass
