

Town of Bristol Alcohol Ordinance

Adopted: October 20, 2016 Current Revision: April 21, 2022 Previous Revision: October 20, 2016

Alcohol Ordinance TOWN OF BRISTOL Effective as of October 20, 2016 ("Effective Date") Amended, April 21, 2022

Adopted:

The Alcohol Ordinance was adopted by the Select Board on October 20, 2016. This current revision was adopted by the Bristol Select Board on April 21, 2022 and is effective immediately. This Ordinance amends and replaces all prior existing versions of the Alcohol Ordinance.

1. Authority:

The Bristol Select Board adopts this ordinance regulating alcohol on Town-owned, managed or controlled public highways and real property and buildings pursuant to the authority granted in RSA 41:11 and RSA 41:11-a.

2. Definition:

For the purpose of this ordinance, "alcoholic beverages" include all beverages, cider, liquor, wine, specialty beverages, and other regulated beverages as defined in RSA 175:1.

3. Prohibition:

Except as provided in Section 4 below, no person shall provide, sell, or consume any alcoholic beverage while in or upon any Town public highway or any Town-owned, controlled, operated or managed public property, land, or buildings.

4. Exceptions:

The only exceptions to this prohibition are the following:

- A. Alcohol sold, provided or consumed in connection with a Town-sponsored event; and
- B. Alcohol sold, provided or consumed in connection with an event occurring on Town property pursuant to a properly-issued, valid and non-revoked Event Permit issued by the Town, but only so long as such provision, sale and consumption occur in conformance with (i) this Ordinance, (ii) each and every requirement of the Town's Town Building and Public Property Use Policy and any specific requirements for the property being used, and (iii) all applicable state and federal laws and regulations. The denial of an Event Permit may be appealed to the Bristol Select Board at a regular public meeting.

5. Disposition of Alcoholic Beverages:

Alcoholic beverages being consumed in violation of this ordinance shall be seized and held until the case is disposed of in the courts, after which such beverages shall be returned to the person entitled to their lawful possession.

6. Fines for Violation:

Any person or entity violating the provisions of this ordinance shall pay a fine of \$250.00 for the first offense and \$500.00 for each subsequent offense.

7. Amendments:

This Ordinance may from time to time be amended by the vote of the Select Board at a regularly scheduled Select Board Meeting. Notice of proposed changes shall be posted in at least two (2) public places, one of which must be the Town Office, at least 14 days from the date of the meeting.

8. Effective Date:

This Ordinance shall be effective upon a vote of the Select Board and shall replace any and all procedures or policies previously enacted by the Town.

Revised By the Select Board: April 21, 2022

Shaun Lagueux, Chair

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