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As you are all aware, applicants for a Special License commonly referred to as a [“1-Day license”](#) are required to purchase alcohol for their event from an authorized source, usually a licensed wholesaler in Massachusetts. In an effort to make this process a little easier for the local licensing authorities and the applicants, we are adding a link of the names and contact information for all of the [authorized sources of alcohol for 1-Day licenses](#). When granting 1-Day licenses, local licensing authorities should consider issuing the license for three or four days to allow for proper delivery, storage and disposal of all alcoholic beverages purchased. This extension will ensure that 1-Day licensees comply with all storage requirements under M.G.L. c.138.

We are also strongly urging that applicants for a 1-Day license submit their applications to the local licensing authorities at least sixty (60) days prior to their event. This will ease the burden on the local licensing authorities, while allowing these organizations enough time to rectify any issues that they may have with their applications prior to their event. Please remember to forward a copy of all 1-Day licenses issued, to the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission for our records.

We are making these changes as a result of suggestions from a number of the [local licensing authorities](#). We want to take this opportunity to thank these individuals for their input and assistance in making the licensing process a little bit easier. At the same time, we would like to remind everyone that we welcome any suggestions, comments or feedback on any licensing matters. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our Executive Director, Ralph Sacramone at 617-727-3040 *31.