

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ENVIRONMENT & TOURISM

MEDIA ALERT

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Warning to Liquor Restaurants who Trade Beyond Licensed Hours

The Limpopo Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism hereby clarifies the deliberate confusion by some liquor restaurant license holders who closes beyond 02h00 or 04h00 in the mornings. No liquor restaurant license holder is permitted to operate post 02h00 in the morning.

The operating time for every license holder are clearly stipulated on the Liquor License. All license holders are to adhere to the operating times.

Violations such as trading outside of permitted hours, selling alcohol to minors, creating public nuisances, and failure to display required documentation will result in strict enforcement actions. The Limpopo Liquor Board may impose penalties including the suspension or cancellation of liquor licenses. The Liquor Appeal Tribunal will not set aside the decision of the board where traders have blatantly disregarded the law.

Only license holders categorized as "Entertainment" are permitted to operate until 04h00 in the morning, and such provision is also clearly stated on their licenses.

In terms of Limpopo Liquor Act 2009, "entertainment" means a place of entertainment by means of a theatre, cinema, dance hall, sports centre, casino or place where legal gambling activities take place.

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