

List of licensable activities and exemptions

Sale or supply of alcohol

The following types of businesses and organisations that need alcohol licences may include:

- pubs and bars
- cinemas
- theatres
- nightclubs
- late-opening cafes
- takeaways
- village and community halls
- supermarkets

What is regulated entertainment?

Regulated entertainment is entertainment provided in the presence of an audience for the purpose of entertaining that audience. For example:

- The performance of a play
- The exhibition of a film
- An indoor sporting event
- Boxing or wrestling
- A performance of live music
- Any playing of recorded music
- Performance of dance
- Entertainment of a similar description (such as a karaoke)

Exemptions to regulated entertainment:

- Incidental music – the performance of live music or the playing of recorded music if it is incidental to another activity which is not itself regulated entertainment
- Film exhibitions for the purpose of advertisement, information and education
- Film exhibitions forming part of an exhibit put on show for the purposes of a museum or art gallery
- Live television or radio broadcast
- Morris dancing or dancing of a similar nature
- Garden fetes – or events of a similar nature if not being promoted or held for private gain
- Moving vehicles

- Religious services or meetings, or entertainment / entertainment facilities provided at places of religious worship
- Between 8am and 11pm no licence permission is required for amplified live and recorded music in premises authorised to sell alcohol for consumption on those premises provided the audience does not exceed 500
- Between 8am and 11pm no licence permission is required for unamplified live and recorded music, plays, dance performances and film exhibitions in any premises provided the audience does not exceed 500
- Between 8am and 11pm no licence permission is required for indoor sporting events and boxing or wrestling in any premises provided the audience does not exceed 1000

What is late night refreshment?

Late night refreshment is hot food and drink supplied to members of the public, for consumption on or off the premises, between the hours of 11pm and 5am.

Exemptions to late night refreshment:

- Hot drink distributed from a vending machine which is coin operated by the customer
- Hot food or drink supplied free of charge; supplied by a registered charity or by a person authorised by a registered charity; supplied on a vehicle that is not parked
- Hot food or drink consisting of or containing alcohol (although authorisation under the Act for the supply of alcohol will be required)
- The supply of hot food and drink from hotels, or comparable premises, to residents and guests, staff canteens