

Private Caterer

“Private caterer” means a licensed private club restaurant that caters and serves food and sells and serves alcoholic liquors, or non-intoxicating beer, or non-intoxicating craft beer. A private caterer shall:

- The private caterer or the persons or entity holding the catering event shall:
 - Have 10+ members and guests attending the catering event.
 - Obtain an open container waiver or have otherwise been approved by a municipality or county in which the event is being held;
 - Operate a private club restaurant on a daily operating basis;
 - Only use its employees, independent contractors, or volunteers to sell and serve alcoholic liquors who have received certified training in verifying the legal identification, the age of a purchasing person, and the signs of visible, noticeable, and physical intoxication;
 - Provide to the commissioner, at least 7 days before the event is to take place:
 - The name and address of the unlicensed private venue where the private caterer is to provide food and alcohol for a catering event;
 - The name of the owner or operator of the unlicensed private venue;
 - A copy of the contract or contracts between the private caterer, the person contracting with the caterer, and the unlicensed private venue;
 - A floorplan of the unlicensed private venue to comprise the private catering premises, which shall only include spaces in buildings or rooms of an unlicensed private venue where the private caterer has control of the space for a set time period where the space safely accounts for the ingress and egress of the stated members and guests who will be attending the private catering event at the catering premises. The unlicensed private venue’s floorplan during the set time period as stated in the contract shall comprise the private caterer’s licensed premises, which is authorized for the lawful sale, service, and consumption of alcoholic liquors, nonintoxicating beer and nonintoxicating craft beer, and wine throughout the licensed private catering premises; Provided, That the unlicensed private venue shall:
 - * Be inside a building or structure,
 - * have other facilities to prepare and serve food and alcohol,
 - * have adequate restrooms, and sufficient building facilities for the number of members and guests expected to attend the private catering event; and
 - * otherwise be in compliance with health, fire, safety, and zoning
 - Not hold more than 15 private catering events per calendar year at an unlicensed venue. Upon reaching the 16th event, the unlicensed venue shall obtain its own private club license;
 - Meet and be subject to all other private club requirements; and
 - Use an age verification system approved by the commissioner.
- Purchase wine sold or served at a catering event from a licensed wine distributor.
- Purchase nonintoxicating beer and nonintoxicating craft beer sold or served at the catering event from a licensed beer distributor.
- Purchase liquor from a licensed retail liquor outlet authorized in the market zone, where the catering event is held.