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Defined terms

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Part 1 — Preliminary

1. Citation

These rules are the *Liquor Commission Rules 2007*.

2. Commencement

These rules come into operation as follows:

- (a) rules 1 and 2 — on the day on which these rules are published in the *Gazette*;
- (b) the rest of the rules — on the day after that day.

3. Terms used

In these rules, unless the contrary intention appears —

document means any record that is or is capable of being put on paper;

lodge means to lodge at the office of the Commission;

party means a party to proceedings;

proceedings means —

- (a) a matter referred to the Commission by the Director under section 24 of the Act; or
- (b) an application under section 25 of the Act for the review of a decision of the Director; or
- (c) an appeal under section 28(4a) of the Act against a decision of the Commission constituted by one member; or
- (d) a complaint under section 95 of the Act; or

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- (e) an application under section 115AD(3) of the Act; or
- (f) an application under section 152NH(2) of the Act; or
- (g) an application under section 152YY(1) of the Act;

record means any thing or process —

- (a) on or by which information is recorded or stored; or
- (b) by means of which a meaning can be conveyed by any means in a visible or recoverable form,

whether or not the use or assistance of some electronic, electrical, mechanical, chemical or other device or process is required to recover or convey the information or meaning.

[Rule 3 amended: Gazette 21 Jun 2011 p. 2251; SL 2022/218 r. 4; SL 2023/198 r. 4.]

4. Application of these rules

Unless the Commission in a particular case orders otherwise, these rules apply in all proceedings.

Part 2 — Practice and procedure

5. Applications for review of decision of Director (s. 25 of Act)

(1A) In this rule —

interested person and *reviewable decision* have the meanings given in section 25(1A) of the Act.

- (1) If an interested person wants to apply under section 25 of the Act for the Commission to review a reviewable decision, the interested person must —
 - (a) within the time period referred to in section 25(2) of the Act, lodge a written application in accordance with subrule (2) —
 - (i) by hand delivery; or
 - (ii) by pre-paid post; or
 - (iii) by facsimile transmission; or
 - (iv) by email;and
 - (b) as soon as practicable after lodging the application, serve a copy of the application on the Director and every other interested person.
- (2) The application must clearly state —
 - (a) the name, address and telephone number of the applicant; and
 - (b) the decision the applicant wants reviewed; and
 - (c) the grounds of the application; and
 - (d) the date of the decision.
- (3) The application may include information, or be accompanied by any other material, that was before the Director when making the decision.

[Rule 5 amended: SL 2022/218 r. 5.]

6. Appeals against decision of Commission constituted by one member (s. 28(4a) of Act)

- (1) If a party to proceedings wants to appeal under section 28(4a) of the Act against a decision of the Commission constituted by one member, the party must —
- (a) within one month after the decision, lodge a written appeal in accordance with subrule (2) —
 - (i) by hand delivery; or
 - (ii) by pre-paid post; or
 - (iii) by facsimile transmission; or
 - (iv) by email;and
 - (b) as soon as practicable after lodging the appeal, serve a copy of the appeal on every other person who was a party to the proceedings in which the relevant decision was made.
- (2) The appeal must clearly state —
- (a) the name, address and telephone number of the appellant; and
 - (b) the decision the appellant is appealing against; and
 - (c) the grounds of the appeal; and
 - (d) the name of the member who gave the decision; and
 - (e) the date of the decision.

7. Complaints (s. 95 of Act)

If a person wants to lodge a complaint under section 95 of the Act the person may do so —

- (a) by hand delivery; or
- (b) by pre-paid post; or
- (c) by facsimile transmission; or

- (d) by email.

8A. Lodging written submissions for proceedings

- (1) If a party to proceedings wants to lodge written submissions in relation to those proceedings, the submissions —
 - (a) must be a summary of the party’s arguments expressed so as to convey the substance of them clearly and as succinctly as possible; and
 - (b) must be set out in numbered paragraphs; and
 - (c) must not exceed —
 - (i) in the case of the primary submissions, 20 pages; or
 - (ii) in the case of any further submissions that the Commission allows to be lodged, 10 pages.
- (2) If the party’s written submissions refer to any legislation, judgment, legal text or any other related material (an *authority*), the party must, at the time the party lodges its written submissions, provide —
 - (a) for an authority that is a judgment — a copy of the complete judgment;
 - (b) for any other authority — sufficient details to enable the authority to be identified and located.
- (3) The party must, as soon as practicable after lodging the written submissions, serve a copy of them on every other party to the proceedings.

[Rule 8A inserted: Gazette 18 Nov 2014 p. 4327-8.]

8. Separate proceedings determined simultaneously

The Commission may, on an application by a party or on its own initiative, order that separate proceedings be determined simultaneously, irrespective of when the applications, appeals,

complaints or referrals giving rise to the proceedings were made.

9. Separate proceedings heard together

The Commission may, on an application by a party or on its own initiative, order that separate proceedings be heard together.

10. Withdrawal

- (1) If a party wants to withdraw from proceedings, the party must do so by —
 - (a) lodging a written notice of that withdrawal; and
 - (b) serving a copy of that notice on every other party.
- (2) The Commission may give the party leave to withdraw its application or objection in the absence of the parties.

11. Orders relating to practice and procedure

- (1) If a party wants to make an application for an order relating to practice or procedure the party must do so by lodging the application in writing.
- (2) A party may, with the leave of the Commission, make an application for an order relating to practice or procedure orally at any hearing before the Commission.

12. Costs orders

- (1) If the Commission orders a party to pay the costs of another party, the Commission is to list the proceedings for an assessment of those costs and notify the parties in writing.
- (2) When the Commission lists proceedings for an assessment of costs, the party entitled to costs must lodge and serve on the other parties a written bill of those costs.

Part 3 — Miscellaneous

13. Authentication of decisions of Commission

A decision of the Commission is to be authenticated by —

- (a) being signed by a member of the Commission; and
- (b) having the seal of the Commission affixed to it.

14. Obtaining copies of documents in relation to proceedings

A party to proceedings may obtain a copy of any of the following documents —

- (a) a document the party is entitled to inspect under section 16(11)(b) of the Act;
- (b) a transcript of the proceedings.

[Rule 14 inserted: SL 2020/29 r. 4.]

15. Costs and charges payable in relation to proceedings

The costs and charges set out in Schedule 1 are payable in relation to proceedings.

16. Repeal and savings

- (1) The *Liquor Licensing Court Rules 2005* are repealed.
- (2) Proceedings under the repealed rules subsisting immediately before the commencement day may be continued as if the repealed rules had not been repealed.
- (3) In this rule —
commencement day means the day on which these rules come into operation;
repealed rules means the rules repealed by subrule (1).

Schedule 1 — Costs and charges payable in relation to proceedings

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Cost or charge	\$
1. Charge payable for lodging an application for the review of a decision by the Director (rule 5 and section 25 of the Act)	430.00
2. Charge payable for lodging an appeal against a decision of the Commission constituted by one member (rule 6 and section 28(4a) of the Act)	430.00
3. Cost per page to obtain a copy of a document a party is entitled to inspect under section 16(11)(b) of the Act or a transcript of proceedings (rule 14)	5.00

[Schedule 1 amended: Gazette 1 Dec 2009 p. 4816; 21 Jun 2011 p. 2251-2; 18 Nov 2014 p. 4328; 10 Sep 2019 p. 3226; SL 2020/29 r. 5; SL 2022/72 r. 4.]

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Notes

This is a compilation of the *Liquor Commission Rules 2007* and includes amendments made by other written laws. For provisions that have come into operation, and for information about any reprints, see the compilation table. For provisions that have not yet come into operation see the uncommenced provisions table.

Compilation table

Citation	Published	Commencement
<i>Liquor Commission Rules 2007</i>	5 Oct 2007 p. 5313-23	r. 1 and 2: 5 Oct 2007 (see r. 2(a)); Rules other than r. 1 and 2: 6 Oct 2007 (see r. 2(b))
<i>Liquor Commission Amendment Rules 2009</i>	1 Dec 2009 p. 4816	r. 1 and 2: 1 Dec 2009 (see r. 2(a)); Rules other than r. 1 and 2: 2 Dec 2009 (see r. 2(b))
<i>Liquor Commission Amendment Rules 2011</i>	21 Jun 2011 p. 2251-2	r. 1 and 2: 21 Jun 2011 (see r. 2(a)); Rules other than r. 1 and 2: 22 Jun 2011 (see r. 2(b))
<i>Liquor Commission Amendment Rules 2014</i>	18 Nov 2014 p. 4327-8	r. 1 and 2: 18 Nov 2014 (see r. 2(a)); Rules other than r. 1 and 2: 19 Nov 2014 (see r. 2(b))
Reprint 1: The <i>Liquor Commission Rules 2007</i> as at 10 Mar 2017 (includes amendments listed above)		
<i>Liquor Commission Amendment Rules 2019</i>	10 Sep 2019 p. 3225-6	r. 1 and 2: 10 Sep 2019 (see r. 2(a)); Rules other than r. 1 and 2: 1 Jan 2020 (see r. 2(b))
<i>Liquor Commission Amendment Rules 2020</i>	SL 2020/29 31 Mar 2020	r. 1 and 2: 31 Mar 2020 (see r. 2(a)); Rules other than r. 1 and 2: 1 Apr 2020 (see r. 2(b))
<i>Liquor Commission Amendment Rules 2022</i>	SL 2022/72 3 Jun 2022	r. 1 and 2: 3 Jun 2022 (see r. 2(a)); Rules other than r. 1 and 2: 1 Jan 2023 (see r. 2(b))

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Notes Uncommenced provisions table

Citation	Published	Commencement
<i>Liquor Commission Amendment Rules (No. 2) 2022</i>	SL 2022/218 23 Dec 2022	r. 1 and 2: 23 Dec 2022 (see r. 2(a)); Rules other than r. 1 and 2: 24 Dec 2022 (see r. 2(b))
<i>Liquor Commission Amendment Rules (No. 2) 2023 (other than Pt. 3)</i>	SL 2023/198 13 Dec 2023	Pt. 1: 13 Dec 2023 (see r. 2(a)); Pt. 2: 14 Dec 2023 (see r. 2(b))

Uncommenced provisions table

To view the text of the uncommenced provisions see *Subsidiary legislation as made on the WA Legislation website*.

Citation	Published	Commencement
<i>Liquor Commission Amendment Rules 2023 r. 3 and 4</i>	SL 2023/160 24 Oct 2023	1 Jan 2024 (see r. 2(b))
<i>Liquor Commission Amendment Rules (No. 2) 2023 Pt. 3</i>	SL 2023/198 13 Dec 2023	Operative on the day on which the <i>Liquor Control Amendment (Banned Drinkers Register) Act 2023</i> s. 31 comes into operation (see r. 2(c))

Defined terms

[This is a list of terms defined and the provisions where they are defined.

The list is not part of the law.]

Defined term	Provision(s)
authority	8A(2)
commencement day	16(3)
document.....	3
interested person	5(1A)
lodge	3
party	3
proceedings	3
record.....	3
repealed rules	16(3)
reviewable decision.....	5(1A)

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