

# Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office

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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Alcoholic Beverage Control Board DATE: November 18, 2025

FROM: Anna White, Licensing Examiner II RE: 4531 dba Tri-Grill, Robert Alexander,

4<sup>th</sup> Waiver of Operations 2025 without

payment,

Letter asking Board to waive fees for Waiver

Background: This is the fourth waiver requested for this license. A transfer of ownership and location is pending Board consideration.

**Attachments**: Memo, 4<sup>th</sup> Waiver Application for 2025 without payment, and letter asking to waive fees.

Applicable statute: AS 04.11.330(a)(3). An application requesting renewal of a license or endorsement shall be denied if the applicant has not operated the licensed premises for at least 240 hours during each of the two preceding calendar years, unless the board determines that the licensed premises are under construction or cannot be operated through no fault of the applicant;...

**Applicable regulation:** <u>3 AAC 305.120 Waiver of annual operating requirement and minimum operating requirements.</u> (a) Except as provided in this section, the board will deny an application for renewal of a license or a license with one or more endorsements if the licensed premises were not operated for the time required under <u>AS 04.11.330(a)(3)</u> or (d).

- (b) A licensee may submit a waiver application to the board to request a waiver of the operating requirement in AS 04.11.330 (a)(3) or (d). Under AS 04.11.330(a)(3), the board will determine whether, through no fault of the licensee or because the premises are under construction, the licensed premises could not be operated for the required time during the preceding calendar year.
- (c) A waiver application for a calendar year must be made in writing to the board and must be accompanied by the non-refundable application fee of (1) an amount equal to one-half the applicable biennial license fee if a waiver application was not made for the previous year; or (2) double the amount of the fee paid for the previous waiver application.
- (d) A waiver application must include a statement from the licensee explaining why the licensed premises was not in compliance with AS 04.11.330(a)(3) or (d). The licensee must provide a copy of the waiver application to any local governing body with jurisdiction over the license and licensed premises.

- (e) The board may deny a third or subsequent, consecutive application for waiver (1) unless the licensee clearly shows that the licensed premises were not operated, because the premises were condemned or substantially destroyed by any cause; or (2) the licensee holds a common carrier dispensary license and is a boat weighing over 1,000 tons;
- (f) Absent circumstances to the contrary, the board will deny a third or subsequent, consecutive application for waiver in the event of condemnation or destruction of the premises if the premises identified on an applicant's license are not leased or owned by the licensee. Additionally, a third or subsequent consecutive application for waiver that does not identify a licensed premises location will be denied.
- (g) The board may impose conditions along with the approval of a waiver application.
- (h) If a waiver application is denied, an application for license renewal for the succeeding license period will be denied by the board under AS 04.11.330(a)(3).
- (i) In addition to the application fee under (c) of this section, the applicant shall pay \$1,000 for an application that is received too late for board consideration at its last meeting of the calendar year for which the waiver is requested.
- (j) In the event of the death of a licensee, destruction of the premises, or comparable circumstances showing extraordinary hardship, the board may waive fees required under (c) and (i) of this section.
- (k) If a license is exercised only to satisfy the minimum operating requirement under AS 04.11.330(a)(3) or 3 AAC 305.110, a licensee shall operate in a similar fashion to other licensed premises of the same type by meeting the following operating requirements as appropriate for the license type: (1) provide signage of sufficient size and visibility to show that the premises is open for business, including the business name and hours of operation; (2) offer a variety of brewed beverages, wines, and distilled spirits for sale at the licensed premises, as appropriate to the type of license, (3) for a licensed package store premises, visibly display the alcoholic beverages stock; (4) for a beverage dispensary licensed premises, provide seating for at least one-half of the maximum number allowed by the occupancy permit; (5) comply with all state or municipal health, fire, and zoning laws or ordinances required for the operation of business; (6) maintain a record of all purchases of alcoholic beverages for resale on the licensed premises; and (7) record sales with a cash register or point of sale system that retains a record of transactions.
- (1) The licensee has the burden of proof to show that the licensed premises were operated for the minimum required period of time and met the operating requirements under (k) of this section. The licensee may provide receipts, invoices, photographs, permits, timecards, and other records to meet the burden of proof. If the licensee fails to provide proof that one or more of the operating requirements was met, the board may consider additional documentation provided by the licensee to determine whether the licensee has met the burden of proof.
- (m) If a new license is issued between November 20 and December 31, the licensee is exempt from filing a waiver of annual operating requirement for that year.



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## Alaska Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

# Form AB-29: Waiver of Operation Application

#### Why is this form needed?

This form is the means by which a licensee may request that the Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board waive the operating requirement of AS 04.11.330(a)(3) or (d). If a recreational site license has not been operated at least once in a calendar year, or if a license of any other type has not been operated for at least 240 hours in each calendar year, then a complete copy of this form and the corresponding fees must be submitted for that calendar year, per 3 AAC 304.170.

This application must be accompanied by a non-refundable waiver application fee of:

- for a 1st request, an amount equal to 1/2 the applicable biennial license fee; or
- for a 2<sup>nd</sup> or subsequent request, double the amount of the fee paid for the previous waiver application.

The ABC Board will determine whether, through no fault of the licensee or because the premises are under construction, the licensed premises count not be operated for the required time during the calendar year. The ABC Board may impose conditions along with the approval of an application for waiver, and it may deny a third or subsequent application for waiver. If an application for waiver is denied, an application for license renewal for the succeeding license period will be denied by the Board. In addition to the waiver application fee, the applicant must pay a late fee of \$1,000 for an application that is received too late for Board consideration at its meeting before November 30 of the year for which the waiver is requested. Please check AMCO's website for meeting agenda deadlines.

Please note that a licensee must submit a separate completed copy of this form and pay a separate corresponding fee for each license and for each calendar year during which a license was not operated in compliance with AS 04.11.330.

	Section 1 – E	Establishment Inf	formati	on						
Enter information for the lice	nse that has not been oper	ated for the time required	under AS 04	4.11.330.						
Licensee:	Robert Alexander	License Number:		4531						
License Type:	Alcohol Beverage Dispensary									
DBA:	Tri Grill									
Premises Address:	901 W 6th Ave									
City:	Anchorage		State:	Alaska	ZIP:	99501				
Local Governing Body:	Municipality of Anchorage									
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Request for Calendar Yea	or Calendar Year 2025									
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Section 3 – Reason for Non-operation											
Provide an explanation as to why the licensed premises were not operated:											
Waiting for transfers Board several times	s of ownership and I	ocation. In	2025 it has been p	ostpone/dela	y by the AB	3C					
The following must be com	ppleted for establishment	s located with		cal governing boo	ly:						
Read the line below, and t	hen sign your initials in th	e box to the	right of the statement:			Initials					
I certify that I will provide a true copy of this application to the local governing body listed on Page 1 of this form prior to ABC Board consideration of this application.											
I hereby certify that I am the application, and I know the other documents submitte response in this application denying or revoking a licen 11.56.210 to falsify an application application of the state of the stat	full content thereof. I de d are true and correct. I u n, or any attachment, or d se/permit. I further under	clare that all on nderstand that ocuments to see that it is	of the information contain at any falsification or misr support this application, is is a Class A misdemeanor	ed herein, and ever epresentation of a sufficient ground	idence or any item or Is for	ra					
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Office Use Only											
			use Only								
Waiver Application Fee:		Late Fee:		Transaction #:							

# Robert Alexander DBA LED ULTRA LOUNGE & GRILL LLC 901 W 6<sup>th</sup>Ave Anchorage, AK 99501 (907) 229-2053

November 13, 2025

TO: ABC BOARD

Re: Reimbursement for the waiver of operation:

I have submitted a request for reimbursement on waivers of operations for prior years while I waited for the courts decided on my appeal to transfer to the new location. The board decided to wait to see if a transfer of a new ownership would be accepted before making a decision to reimburse the fees. An application for transfer of location and ownership was submitted in 2025. Given the pending transfers and postponements by The Board the business remained closed and conducted no operations during 2025. Although I haven't paid the fees for 2025 I'm prepared to pay it immediately, however I am also requested not to pay in advance only to request for additional reimbursement.

Sincerely,

Robert Alexander

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