



## **Background**

The Liquor Control and Licensing Branch licences B.C. businesses that make and sell liquor by the glass or bottle, and inspects these businesses to ensure they comply with provincial liquor laws. There are approximately 8,800 licensed establishments in B.C., and 50 compliance and enforcement staff. They are located throughout the province, and can be contacted through the Branch's website.

Liquor inspectors work closely with police and local government staff to encourage licensees to voluntarily comply and reduce potential threats to public safety such as overcrowding, intoxication and service to minors. Liquor inspectors also regularly inspect licensed premises to monitor compliance. When a liquor inspector has evidence that a licensee is contravening the Liquor Control and Licensing Act, Regulations or a licence term and condition, the inspector must issue a Contravention Notice.

Depending on the type of contravention and the establishments' past history, the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch may recommend imposing a penalty as a result of the issued Contravention Notice. These include fines, placing additional terms and conditions on the licence (such as shorter hours), and suspending or cancelling the licence.

In this case the licensee can either accept the contravention and recommended penalty alleged by the branch and sign a waiver, or contest the recommended penalty at an enforcement hearing. Money received from fines goes to provincial government general revenue.

Liquor inspectors also inspect an establishment before the branch approves a new licence, or approves a change to an existing business – such as adding a patio.

To find out about any of the cases listed in the summary that follows, please visit the Enforcement Decisions page on our web site at: <http://www.pssg.gov.bc.ca/lclb/enforcements>. You can search the online database by contravention, business name or case number.

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## Enforcement Statistics – January 1 to March 31, 2008

**Inspections by liquor inspectors**      ○ 2,253 inspections to monitor compliance

**Contraventions**      ○ 132 including those related to:

- intoxication (13)
- permitting consumption after hours (13)
- operating as a bar when licensed as a restaurant (10)
- minors (20)
- overcrowding (9)

**Penalties imposed**      ○ 25 establishments received penalties totalling:

- \$11,000
- 199 days licence suspensions

### Summary of Penalties Imposed

City	Name of Business	Contravention	Penalty	Hearing or Waiver	Case Number
Alert Bay	Bayside Inn Hotel	Allowing customers to consume liquor beyond liquor service hours	4 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-173
Burns Lake	Alaska Way	Drunkenness, violent, quarrelsome, riotous, or disorderly conduct	10 day licence suspension	Hearing	EH07-096
Christina Lake	Time & Place	Overcrowding (beyond occupant load)	\$5,000	Waiver	EH07-125
Coquitlam	Milestone's Restaurant & Palomino Bar (2745 Barnet Hwy.)	Supplying liquor to minors	10 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-171
Cranbrook	King Edward Hotel	Minors in premises	4 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH08-015
Golden	Golden Lodge Hotel	Prohibited Entertainment	\$1,000	Waiver	EH08-012
Kelowna	The Blue Gator	Overcrowding (beyond occupant load)	4 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH08-007

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Kimberley	Marysville Pub & Grill	Permitting an intoxicated person to remain	4 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH08-022
Lake Cowichan	Trails End Pub	Customers removing liquor from the establishment	1 day licence suspension	Hearing	EH07-141
Nelson	Bogustown Liquor Store	Supplying liquor to minors	10 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-167
Panorama	Crazy Horse Saloon	Permitting a person to become intoxicated	\$5,000	Waiver	EH08-011
Pemberton	Pemberton Hotel	Permitting intoxicated person to remain	7 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-172
		Permitting a person to become intoxicated	7 day licence suspension		
		Allowing customers to consume liquor beyond liquor service hours	7 day licence suspension		
		Licensee or employee consuming liquor in premises while on duty	3 day licence suspension		
		Operating contrary to primary purpose (Operating as a bar when they are licensed as a restaurant)	15 day licence suspension		
		Contravening a term and condition (failing to cooperate with liquor inspector and police)	3 day licence suspension		
Prince George	The Publik	Operating contrary to primary purpose (Operating as a bar when they are licensed as a restaurant)	10 day licence suspension	Judicial Review initiated	EH07-011
		Permitting intoxicated person to remain	4 day licence suspension		
		Selling liquor to intoxicated person	4 day licence suspension		

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Quesnel	Cariboo Hotel	Permitting intoxicated person to remain	4 day licence suspension	Hearing	EH07-144
Richmond	Hkyk Seafood Hot Pot Restaurant	Failing to clear liquor from tables after liquor service has ended	14 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-142
		Liquor not purchased in establishment	4 day licence suspension		
	Hkyk Seafood Hot Pot Restaurant	Failing to clear liquor from tables after liquor service has ended	18 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-151
	Yu Can	Failing to clear liquor from tables after liquor service has ended	Change to Terms and Condition on Licence	Hearing	EH07-150
Surrey	Baselines Pub	Minors in premises	4 day licence suspension	Judicial Review initiated	EH07-175
	Boston Pizza (Fleetwood)	Selling liquor to intoxicated person	4 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-178
Vancouver	Cambie 340	Overcrowding (beyond occupant load)	4 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-174
	Cambie Hotel	Contravening a term and condition (Customers removing liquor from the licensed area)	3 day licence suspension	Hearing	EH07-115
		Permitting unlawful activities/conduct	12 day licence suspension		
	Lola Cabaret	Overcrowding (beyond occupant load)	4 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-103

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Vancouver	Jamie's Bistro Restaurant	Contravening a term and condition (Overcrowding)  Allowing customers to consume liquor beyond liquor service hours	3 day licence suspension  4 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH07-123
Victoria	Logan's	Minors in premises	4 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH08-004
Westbank	Whiski Jack's Pub	Permitting intoxicated person to remain	4 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH08-001
Williams Lake	The Boot Cabaret	Permitting a person to become intoxicated	7 day licence suspension	Waiver	EH08-027