

# **Policy on Hours of Operation**

#### Petrol Stations, Supermarkets and Retail Shops

Provided the premises are not being used primarily as a fast food takeaway premises and there are no environmental issues to address there will normally be a recommendation to grant the licence from 11pm to 5am.

#### **Takeaway premises**

All premises are categorised by location and in order to prevent crowd migration from clubs to takeaway premises, no Late Hours Catering licences will be granted with a closing hour beyond 3am.

# **City Centre**

Where a premises is located within Ward 11 (Edinburgh city centre) the licence will not generally be granted beyond:

2am (Sundays to Thursdays)

3am (Fridays and Saturdays)

Hours may be restricted in areas which are significantly residential or where previous complaints or compliance issues have been identified.

# Premises situated on arterial and main bus routes but out with City Centre Ward 11

Where premises are situated on arterial routes giving access and egress from the city the licence will not generally be granted beyond:

1am (Sundays to Thursdays)

2am (Fridays and Saturdays)

This may be restricted in areas which are significantly residential or where previous complaints or compliance issues have been identified.



#### **Outwith City Centre**

Where premises are located outwith City Centre (Ward 11) the licence will not generally be granted beyond:-

12 Midnight (Sundays to Thursdays)

1am (Fridays to Saturday

#### **Tenement style property**

Where premises are located in tenement style property, the licence will not generally be granted beyond:

12 Midnight.

In this regard consideration will be given to additional hours provided the applicant can evidence the consent of neighbours having been obtained in respect of the hours applied for.

Tenement style property is defined as property when residential accommodation is located above the applicant premises (e.g. a takeaway shop located below flats).

#### **Residential Streets**

When premises are located in residential locations or situated in areas where there is a history of complaints the licence will not generally be granted beyond:

12 midnight (Fridays and Saturdays only)

Residential streets areas are defined areas where there are no other businesses operating.

# Premises falling into more than one category

Where premises fall within more than one of the categories the category that allows the least number of trading hours would apply. In these circumstances it would open to an applicant to make an application to be considered as an exception to the policy.

#### **Festival and Festive periods**

During the Festival and Festive periods premises can request an additional hours trading. Accordingly, during the period of the Edinburgh Festival and Fringe as set from year to year, and during the Christmas and New Year period (18 December to 3 January in each year) a 1 hour extension to the usual terminal hour of the premises where such an hours have been included in the application will generally be considered suitable for granting. An application must be made to include this additional hours trading.

# **British Summer Time**

British Summer Time has no effect on the number of hours during which premises are licensed to operate. This means that premises will continue to operate their normal hours and will not extend or reduce hours to take account of changes to British Summer Time.

i.e. the beginning or, as the case may be, ending of British Summer Time is to be disregarded for the purposes of determining the time at which that period of licensed hours ends and accordingly, the period ends at the time it would have ended had British Summer Time not begun or ended.



# List of Arterial and Bus Routes considered suitable for later hours

Road	Street Names
B900	Broughton Road
B901	Montagu Terrace
A1	London Road/Regent Road
A199	Salamander Street/Seafield
A1140	Portobello Road
A70	Gorgie Road/Dalry Road/Slateford Road
A71	Calder Road
A700	Melville Drive
A701	Minto Street
A702	Bruntsfield Place/Morningside Road
A7	South Bridge/Nicolson St/Dalkeith Road
A8	West Coates / St Johns Road / Corstorphine Road / Glasgow Road
A90	Dean Bridge/Queensferry Road
A900	Leith Street/Leith Walk
A901	Lower Granton Road/Lindsay Road/Commercial Street
A902	Ferry Road
A903	Granton Road