

NEW JUABEN NORTH MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY SALE OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR BYE-LAWS

In exercise of the powers conferred on the New Juaben North Municipal Assembly hereinafter referred to as “Assembly” by section 181 of the local Governance Act, 2016 (Act 936) these bye-laws are hereby made.

1. License

- (a) A person shall not distil or sell any intoxicating liquor either as a wholesaler or retailer in any part of the Municipality without a license issued by the Assembly for that purpose.
- (b) The Assembly shall issue separate licenses for distillation and retailing of intoxicating liquor.
- (c) Hotels, restaurants, bars and food joints that sell intoxicating liquor shall apply for a license before selling intoxicating liquor at their premises.
- (d) The Assembly shall fix the fees payable for the license so issued and such a license shall expire on the 31st December of the year in which the license was issued.
- (e) The Assembly shall grant a license after the Environmental Health Department of the Assembly, and the Police have conducted a survey certifying the suitability of the premises for either the distillation or sale of the intoxicating liquor.

2. Application to be in writing

- (a) Any person who needs a license under this Bye-law shall submit an application in writing to the Assembly which shall contain the name, the address, the place and type of liquor the applicant intends to sell or selling.
- (b) The license shall be issued, if the report of the Environmental Health Department and other relevant department and agencies certifies the place as suitable for the activity.
- (c) Before a License is issued to any applicant, the applicant and its workforce who are to handle the liquor, either through sale or otherwise shall submit themselves for medical examination to be conducted by an accredited service provider or contracted service provider of the Assembly A health certificate of all such persons shall be issued as evidence that they are fit to sell liquor at their respective places of work and be renewed on expiry on yearly basis
- . (d) The Assembly shall not issue a license to a distiller or seller who operates with children under 18 years of age.
- (e) Where a person issued with a license operates with children under 18 years, the license shall be revoked and shall only be restored after the Assembly has satisfied itself that the breach shall not continue.

3. Condition and Duration of License

A license issued under this Bye-law

- (a) Shall abide by the provision in the Liquor Licensing Act of 1970, and
- (b) Shall expire on the 31st December of the year in which it was issued.

4. PENALTY

Any person who contravenes any provision of these Bye-laws commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not more than Ghs500.00 or six (6) months imprisonment or both.

NB; Fifty (50%) percent of the fine paid shall be allotted to the Assembly.

These Bye-laws made at the meeting of the New Juaben North Municipal Assembly held on the day of..... 2019

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PRESIDING MEMBER SECRETARY TO ASSEMBLY

Approved by the Regional Co-ordinating Council on behalf of the Ministry of Local Government this day of 2019.

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REGIONAL CO-ORDINATING DIRECTOR