

(a-1) Subsection (a) does not apply to:

(1) The City of Annapolis,

(2) Any transfer or assignment of a license located within the 1,000 foot requirement of subsection (a),

(3) Any nonprofit club or nonprofit organization,  
[or]

(4) Any restaurant destroyed by fire, flood, windstorm or any other act of God and which held a valid alcoholic beverage license at the time it was destroyed if a new church or school has not been constructed within the 1,000 foot requirement of subsection (a), OR

(5) ANY CLASS H BEER AND WINE LICENSE (ON SALE) OR CLASS H BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE (ON SALE)--; OR

(6) ANY MOTEL-RESTAURANT COMPLEX, HOTEL-RESTAURANT COMPLEX, BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE (ON-SALE).

(b) The words "transfer or assignment" as used in subsection (a) of this section shall mean the transfer or assignment of a license from the licensee to whom issued to a new licensee and shall not mean the transfer of a license permitting the sale of alcoholic beverages in the premises designated in the said license to other premises within the 1000-foot limitation set forth in said subsection (a).

(c) The words "extended for the same building" as used in subsection (a) of this section shall be construed to mean the extension of the area of the premises licensed and shall not be construed to mean a change in the operational classification of a license now existing, excepting when such change is from a Class B, C or D license to a Class [A] H license.

(d) An alcoholic beverage license in Anne Arundel County may not be renewed or transferred unless the owner of it has actively engaged in the sale of alcoholic beverages as authorized by the license within one year prior to the date of application for renewal or transfer. Any attempted renewal or transfer of a dormant license not in accordance with the provisions of this section is null and void. The reissuance of any license to any licensee whose license has been nonrenewed under the provisions of this section is subject to the hearing, notice and other provisions of § 60 of this article except if the main building on the premises is destroyed by fire, wind, or flood. The board of license commissioners may renew the license if it has been proven that the licensee is making substantial efforts to restore, replace, or repair the building. This extension shall be effective for one year from the date of approval by the board. If the licensee desires another extension, he shall follow the same procedure. The licensee shall pay the license fee for each year even though the establishment may not be open.