

Proposed Text Amendment to Permit Lounges in the City of Mount Holly

Sections to be Updated

-Section 3.26-Definitions:

Lounge: An establishment which is primarily devoted to the retailing and on-premises consumption of alcoholic beverages (not produced on site), and is licensed by the State to dispense or sell alcoholic beverages. Lounges may also offer food service & provide limited live entertainment & events-which will be completely contained within the principal structure of the establishment. These performances/events will be of limited scale, ancillary to the primary use, and will not constitute the level of performance or/and generate the impact(s) that is associated with Dance Halls, which are defined in this Section.

~~**LOUNGE.** An adult establishment or room in an adult establishment where cocktails are served.~~

-Section 6.2-Rerecreational Uses (Table of Permitted Uses)

Use Types	Note	R-A	R-20	R-12	R-10	R-8 S F	R-8 M F	R D	MHMU	O&I	B-1	B-2	B-3	L-I	H-I
Dance halls including night clubs and lounges	24								S		S		S		

-Section 6.5-Retail Trade Uses (Table of Permitted Uses)

Use Types	Note	R-A	R-20	R-12	R-10	R-8 S F	R-8 M F	R D	MHMU	O&I	B-1	B-2	B-3	L-I	H-I
Liquor stores									X		X	X	X		
Lounge	30										X				
Microbrewery	30								S		S	S	S	X	X

-Section 7.1-Notes to Table. Note # 30. (Update-Note # 24 & New Section to be added: Section 7.1-Note # 30-A-5)

Note 24, Dance Halls, Lounges and Nightclubs.

(A) The use shall be located at least 300 linear feet from a church, public or private elementary or secondary school, child day care or nursery school, public or private two- or four- year college facility, hospital, public park or playground, residentially zoned or residentially used property, public library, any establishment with an on-premises ABC license.

(B) The required distance will be measured from property line to property line.

(C) No two such uses shall be located within 2,000 linear feet of each other; an adult use or any other establishment with amplified music.

(D) See § 3.26(A) for definitions related to a dance hall, lounge and nightclub.

Note 30, Microbrewery, Brewery, Distillery, Bottleshops, & Lounges.

(A) Microbreweries, breweries, distilleries, **bottleshops, & lounges** must comply with the following guidelines as a special use in certain districts.

(5) Lounges.

(a) Hours of Operation: Lounges are permitted to operate no later than 12:00 AM.

(b) Setbacks: Lounges operating in the B-1 District shall be located a minimum of 50 feet from any church, school, park, or residentially zoned property. The separation requirement will be measured from property line to property line.

(c) Outside Storage: Outside storage is prohibited.

(d) Live Performances/Events: Live performances & events that occur at lounges must be completely contained within the principal structure of the establishment, limited in scale, ancillary to the primary use, and shall not constitute the level of performance or/and generate the impact(s) that are associated with Dance Halls, as defined in Section 3.26.

(e) Parking Standards: Lounges located in the B-1 District are not required to provide off-street parking per Section 8.1-A of the Zoning Ordinance.