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OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE - BUSINESS INVOLVING ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO SALES

PRIOR TO COMING TO THE CITY OF COVINGTON OFFICES

- Verify the location of your business is located within the CITY limits of Covington, not just a Covington address. If you are unsure, please call (985) 867-1214 for verification.
- Obtain relevant tax numbers (Federal, State and Parish, if applicable). Appropriate phone numbers listed below.
- Register business name with the Louisiana Secretary of State - www.sos.la.gov (if you would like).

THEN GO TO 317 N. JEFFERSON AVENUE, COVINGTON, LOUISIANA

- Completed Zoning Verification Form (can be obtained at the office or on the website at www.covla.com)
- Completed New Business Building Compliance Form (can be obtained at the office or on the website at www.covla.com).
- Completed RDS Occupational License Application (can be obtained at the office or on the website at www.covla.com)
- Completed Police Background Check Application (can be obtained at the office or on the website at www.covla.com)
- Liquor, Beer, and/or Wine Application(s) (can be obtained at the office or on the website at www.covla.com) with appropriate fee.
- \$50 check made payable to "Tax Trust Account" (\$25 if applying after July 1)
- Copy of lease or cash sale for business address listed.
- Driver's license for all owners
- Picture of each owner taken within last 60 days sized 2" x 2".
- Prior to our Code Enforcement Officer's approval, State Fire Marshall approval is needed if applicable.
- Department of Health temporary approval
- State Alcohol and Tobacco Control Office temporary approval
- Supply affidavit of publication (inserted twice) from St. Tammany Farmer newspaper (alcohol only, not tobacco)
- Completed sign permit, if applicable. Go to the Planning and Zoning Department located to the left as you enter City Hall. Covington Historic District Commission approval is required for all signage in the Historic District.
- Completed Cleco and water applications, if applicable. Go to the Utilities Department located to the right as you enter City Hall.

NOTE: Any applicant who is making changes to their building will require a building permit. The building inspector must issue a final inspection before you can obtain an occupational license. You must also have State Fire Marshall approval for the building. The Building Permits Department is located at City Hall past the Planning and Zoning Department to the left.

HELPFUL NUMBERS FOR YOUR OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE PROCESS:

Louisiana Department of Revenue (LA Sales Tax #) • 225-219-0102
St. Tammany Parish Sales Tax Office (Local Sales Tax #) • 985-726-7777
Federal Tax I.D. Number - IRS • 800-829-3676
City of Covington Fire Department (Building Compliance) 985-898-4727
City of Covington Planning and Zoning Department • 985-867-1214

City of Covington Utilities Department • 985-898-4242
St. Tammany Parish Health Department • 985-893-6296
State Fire Marshall • 225-925-4920
State Alcohol and Tobacco Control Office • 225-925-4041