Pre-retail licence

This kit contains all the forms and materials required to apply for a pre-retail licence in Victoria.

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Visit vic.gov.au/liquor-licence-application-fees to confirm the licence application fee.

How to apply

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This form has been designed to be completed using the free Adobe Acrobat Reader software. To download this free software, <u>please visit the following link</u> or search for the free "Adobe Acrobat Reader" on your device's app store.

This form may not function as intended if you use any other software.

Email your application to: contact@liquor.vic.gov.au

Or send it to:

Liquor Control Victoria PO Box 1019 Richmond VIC 3121

Need help?

For more information on how to apply for a liquor licence or permit:

- · visit Liquor Control Victoria (LCV) website at liquor.vic.gov.au
- telephone LCV on 1300 182 457
- email LCV at contact@liquor.vic.gov.au

Privacy

Liquor Control Victoria (LCV) is committed to protecting the privacy of your personal information. LCV endorses fair information handling practices and uses information in compliance with its obligations under the *Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014* (Vic). Personal information collected from you is only used for the purposes of the application for the licence or permit and/or legislation administered by LCV. Personal information is not disclosed to third parties unless required or authorised by law, or with your consent. As part of the application process, information provided may be forwarded to and retained by Victoria Police.



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Useful information and definitions

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A pre-retail licence authorises the licensee to supply liquor at any time and on any premises

- to a person licensed under the Liquor Control Reform Act 1998, and
- to a person licensed to sell or supply liquor under a law of another State or Territory if the liquor is to be consumed outside Victoria, and
- to a person for the purpose of exporting the liquor supplied out of Australia.

Application fee

If you are paying by cheque or money order you must submit your payment with your application. If you want to pay by credit card and your application is complete and correct, we will contact you for payment. Otherwise, we will let you know that we have not accept your application. Information on application fees can be found at vic.gov.au/liquor-licence-application-fees.

Your application fee will not be refunded if your application is not granted.

If your application is granted the annual renewal fee for the licence is due **every year by 31 December**. This is regardless of when your licence is issued. A renewal notice will be issued prior to the due date detailing how to make payments.

Declaration of associates

The purpose of the declaration of associates form is to identify an applicant's associates. The application must be accompanied by completed declaration of associates form(s).

- If the applicant is an individual, the individual must complete the declaration of associates form part B.
- If the applicant is a partnership, each partner must complete the declaration of associates form part B separately.
- If the applicant is a body corporate (such as a company or incorporated association), a director or executive committee member must complete a declaration of associates part A for the body corporate. Each associate of the body corporate must also complete a declaration of associates form part B separately.

Current and historical company extract – company applicants only

If you are applying for a licence in the name of a company you are required to provide a recent (no more than 90 days old) Current and historical company extract from the Australian Security and Investments Commission (ASIC). Current and historical company extract identifies the type, status, registered address, roles within the organisation, share structure, members and charges and documents lodged (current and historical) of organisations registered with ASIC.

When making a search application to ASIC, ensure that you specify that you require a Current and historical company extract and not a Current company extract. A Current and historical company extract identifies both current and historical information about the applicant, while the Current extract identifies only current information.

You can purchase a Current and historical company extract from the ASIC website at asic.gov.au

Incorporated association information

If you are applying for a licence in the name of an incorporated association you must make sure the applicant name on this form matches your registered name with Consumer Affairs Victoria.

Body corporate definition

A body corporate is an organisation which has a separate legal status to its members (i.e. it can own property, sue and be sued, and enter into contracts in its own name). Examples of body corporates include companies, incorporated associations, co-operatives, municipal councils, government agencies and institutions. Unincorporated clubs/associations and unincorporated partnerships are not body corporates. A minimum of one director must reside in Victoria unless a proposed nominee has been nominated.

Nominee definition

A body corporate may apply to LCV for the approval of a person to be the nominee of the applicant. Once approved, the nominee then becomes liable as if they were the licensee or permit holder. The nominee will cease being a nominee if they cease to manage or control the licensed premises. Where this occurs, the licensee or permit holder needs to notify LCV within 14 days. The nominee must reside in Victoria.



Lodgement checklist

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This checklist details the documents required to accompany your application. Supplying these with your application will allow Liquor Control Victoria (LCV) to commence assessment of the application and can reduce processing time. Advice on how to complete your application can be found at wic.gov.au/advice-completing-liquor-licence-form.

Your application may be returned if the accompanying documents do not meet the requirements below. LCV may contact applicants to request additional documentation depending on the circumstances of their business.

Please tick that you have provided all the required documents with lodgement of your application

Application form

Please ensure:

- · all fields on the application form are completed.
- the nature of the business is detailed, clearly demonstrating why a liquor licence is sought.
- the applicant signs and dates the application form.
- that correct fees are attached, as detailed at vic.gov.au/liquor-licence-application-fees.

Personal history questionnaire

Each person listed on the application, including any nominee, must complete a 'Personal history questionnaire' attached in this application kit. For companies, partnerships or clubs, personal history questionnaires are required from each director, partner or executive committee member respectively. Questionnaires will only be accepted if they are dated within the last three months.

Declaration of associates

The declaration of associates form attached within this application kit must be completed by each of the following:

- If the applicant is an individual, the individual must complete the declaration of associates form part B.
- · If the applicant is a partnership, each partner must complete the declaration of associates form part B separately.
- If the applicant is a body corporate (such as a company or incorporated association), a director or executive committee
 member must complete a declaration of associates form part A for the body corporate. Each associate of the body
 corporate must also complete a declaration of associates form part B separately.

Understanding and reducing risks and harms

LCV expects you to understand the harms that your business could cause to the community. You will be asked a series of questions to check that you understand those harms and what you will do to try and mitigate them.

Current and historical company extract

A recent (no more than 90 days old) Current and historical company extract is required if a company is applying for a liquor licence. A Current and historical company extract can be purchased from the ASIC website at asic.gov.au Refer to the 'Useful information' section for further information.

Incorporated association information

If you are applying for a licence in the name of an incorporated association you must make sure the applicant name on this form matches your registered name with Consumer Affairs Victoria at consumer.vic.gov.au.

How to lodge this form

By post

Liquor Control Victoria PO Box 1019, Richmond VIC 3121

Phone: 1300 182 457

By email

contact@liquor.vic.gov.au

What happens next

Your application is not complete if you have left a section blank or provided incomplete documents. Any blank sections will result in your application not being progressed until you provide LCV the required information. If you do not provide the missing documents within 14 days, your application will be rejected.

If your application is accepted, you will be emailed an acknowledgement letter. This will confirm that LCV has received your application and outline any further information required and the date by which it must be submitted. Once LCV has received all required information and documents, your application will be determined. You will be advised of the outcome in writing.



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1. Details of premises							
Trading name of the business* (This is the name your customers know you by)		Postal address (for service of documents)				
Email address	j						
2. Applicant details							
	nership	Australian Business Number (An ABN is an 11 digit unique identifier issued by the Australian Business Register)					
► Company Inco Name(s) of applicant (person/partnership/c	rporated association ompany/incorporated association)	Australian Company Number (An ACN is a unique 9 digit number issued by the Australian Securities an Ivestments Commission to companies only)					
Contact name		Mobile number					
Email address (all application correspondence	e will be sent to this email)						
	names and addresses). Each	individual listed be	art of this application (if more than four people, low will need to complete a 'Personal history				
Full name	Home address		Position held/Relationship to applicant (i.e. director etc.)				

3. Nominee details — body corporate only (body corporate can be companies, incorporated associations, municipal councils and co-operatives)

A company or incorporated association may apply for approval of a person as nominee of the applicant. The nominee must complete a 'Personal history questionnaire'.

Full name of the individual who will be the nominee*

* Once approved, the nominee then becomes liable as if they were the licensee or permit holder. Please refer to the 'Definitions' section.



4. Authorised representative								
The applicant can authorise a person or		Organisation name						
as a legal representative) to access and this application.	discuss details about							
Do you want an authorised representativ	e to make enquiries and	Business land line (optional)						
provide information on your behalf regard	ding this application?							
NO		Mobile number						
YES – please provide details belo	ow .							
Contact name		Email address						
5. Nature of your business and	d understanding risks	and harms						
Tell us about your business and how it w types of liquor will distribute and any othe if you've applied for the correct licence.								
Licensees have an obligation to understa								
supply of liquor from your business can describe at vic.gov.au/liquor-licence-risks to mitigate these harms.								
What alcohol-related harm may occur as	a result of the supply of lig	or from your business? Tell u	s how you will mitigate these	risks				
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Signature by applicant								
This application must be signed by the A person – A comp		s: A partnership –	An incorporated associa	tion –				
	ector of the company	All partners	One executive committee					
I/ we declare/certify that:								
 the information contained in this app if a body corporate applicant, I am a 			rporate.					
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It is an offence under section 118 of the *Liquor Control Reform Act 1998* to make a statement that is false or misleading in relation to this application. An offence under section 118 carries a maximum penalty of 60 penalty units.



Payment method

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Applications must be accompanied by the relevant fee. Please note that once an application has been registered, the application fee is non-refundable. Visit vic.gov.au/liquor-licence-application-fees to confirm the licence application fee. The application fee can be paid by:

- cheque or money order, made payable to Liquor Control Victoria; or
- credit card (Visa or MasterCard)

If you wish to make payment by credit card, please lodge your completed application with LCV and we will contact you directly to arrange payment if your application is accepted.

Please select your payment method:

Money order

Cheque

Privacy – LCV is committed to responsible and fair handling of personal information consistent with the *Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014* (Vic) and its obligations under the *Liquor Control Reform Act 1998*. Your credit card details will not be retained once your payment has been processed.

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Personal history questionnaire

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Each person who is a part of this application must complete and sign their own copy of this questionnaire. If the application is from a company, partnership or club, a questionnaire is required from each director, partner or executive committee member. If a nominee is to be appointed, then they are also required to provide the following information.

Important information

We're are going to ask you some questions regarding your background and personal history. This is so we can decide whether it's suitable for you to be involved with a liquor licence. The questions will go into the following subjects.

- · Your personal details
- · Your criminal history
- · Whether you've ever declared bankruptcy
- · Any history you have with holding a liquor licence.
- Your history involving running other companies or involvement in professional organisations in Victoria, interstate or overseas.

We will share this information with Victoria Police, and they'll compare it against their records. LCV or Victoria Police may also ask you for more information about older offences if they're relevant. This is so we can ensure you're being truthful with the information you've given us.

Victoria Police may also decide to object to your application if they believe you or anyone else involved with the application is unsuitable to hold a licence. Having a criminal record may not necessarily prevent you or a business you are involved in from having a licence approved.

This form is to be completed and dated no more than three months prior to your application being submitted.

Your personal information

Given names(s):

Middle name(s):

Family name:

Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy):

Director ID (if you are a nominee, skip this question)

(This is a 15-digit number that is a unique identifier obtained through the Australian Business Registry Services).

You must give us the details of **one** of the below ID options:

Australian drivers licence

Passport

Proof of Age card

Firearm/Shooters licence

Document ID number

State/Country of issue

Leaving out information we need could delay your application or result in a refusal. Making a false or misleading statement is an offence and may lead to a refusal and a fine, or a criminal prosecution

If you are found to have made a false or misleading statement in your application, it may indicate that you are unuistable to hold a licence and your application may be refused.

Your contact details

Mobile number

Business number

Email address

Residential address

Postal address (tick the box if it is the same as above)

Criminal history

Remember to be truthful, detailed and provide everything we need.

Have you ever been known by another name?

NC

YES please provide details below

Within the last 10 years, have you ever been found guilty of any offence at any court in Australia or overseas? (This includes any findings without conviction and good behaviour bonds).

NO

YES please provide details below

Do you have any charges pending against you? (Select 'Yes' if you have been told you may receive, or currently have a court summons, or are on bail).

NO

YES please provide details below

Have you ever participated in a diversion program?

NC

YES please provide details below

Has your drivers licence ever been cancelled, suspended or have you ever been disqualified from driving? (This includes by a court, an infringement notice, or by a roads and traffic authority)

NO

YES please provide details below

If you have answered YES to any of the above questions, please provide details.

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Professional history

Have you ever been disqualified from acting as a director by ASIC?

NO YES please provide details below

Have you ever been disqualified from practising in a profession?

NO YES please provide details below

Have you ever been found unsuitable to hold a licence by another regulator? (If yes, tell us what the licence was, the regulator that declined it, and why you were found to be suitable).

NO YES please provide details below

Has any company you are or were a director of, ever been insolvent, under administration or declared bankrupt?

NO YES please provide details below

If you answered YES to any of the above questions, please provide details.

Liquor licence history

These questions are for those who have held a liquor licence previously, or have been part of an application for a liquor licence. If these situations do not apply to you, select "NO'.

Have you ever been granted or applied for a liquor licence anywhere in Australia? (Including as a director, nominee or licensee).

NO YES please provide details below

Has anyone previously made a finding that you were unsuitable to hold a liquor licence?

NO YES please provide details below

Have police previously objected to your suitability to hold a liquor licence?

NO YES please provide details below

Have you, either as a natural person or as a director or nominee of a body corporate, been found guilty of an offence uplicable liquor legislation?

NO YES please provide details below

Have you been a director, nominee or involved in the management, of a licensed premises that was subject to disciplinary action by a liquor regulator?

NO YES please provide details below

Has a licensed venue where you have been a director, nominee or licensee incurred demerit points under applicable liquor legislation?

NO YES please provide details below

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, please provide details in 'History details' section on this page.

History details

If you have answered yes to any of the questions on this form and need more room to tell us your information,

Personal bankruptcy

Are you currently insolvent? (Insolvency is when a company or person can't pay debts when they are due).

NO YES provide full details

Have you ever been declared bankrupt? (If YES, please provide bankruptcy dates and trustee details).

NO YES provide full details

Please ensure this form is completed in full, as incomplete, or partially completed forms may require you to submit a further questionnaire and will delay your application.

Signature of applicant

I acknowledge that this declaration is true and correct and is made in the belief that a person making a false declaration is liable to prosecution for making a misleading statement.

Your signature:	Date (dd/mm/yyyy):
Your full name:	

Declaration of associates

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Who must complete this form?

If the applicant is a company or co-operative:

- One director must complete the PART A: Declaration of associates (page three) for the company.
- each director of the company must complete their own separate PART B: Declaration of associates Individuals (pages four and five).

For example: ABC Pty Ltd is applying for a restaurant and cafe liquor licence. There are two directors, John Smith and Jane Smith.

- 1. Only ABC Pty Ltd completes PART A: Declaration of associates Body corporate. AND
- 2. John Smith completes PART B: Declaration of associates Individuals. AND
- 3. Jane Smith completes PART B: Declaration of associates Individuals.

If the applicant is an individual (sole trader):

· the individual must complete PART B: Declaration of associates - Individuals (pages four and five).

For example: John Smith is applying for a BYO permit.

1. John Smith completes PART B: Declaration of associates – Individuals.

If the applicant is a partnership:

· each partner must complete their own separate PART B: Declaration of associates - Individuals (pages four and five).

For example: John Smith and Jane Smith are applying for a pre-retail liquor licence and have entered a partnership agreement.

- 1. John Smith completes PART B: Declaration of associates Individuals. AND
- 2. Jane Smith completes PART B: Declaration of associates Individuals.

If the applicant is an incorporated association:

- One executive committee member must complete <u>PART A: Declaration of associates Body corporate</u> (page three) for the incorporated association.
- each executive committee member of the incorporated association must complete their own separate PART B: Declaration of associates Individuals (pages four and five).

For example: ABC Inc is applying for a Full Club liquor licence. There are 4 executive committee members, John Smith, Jane Smith, Tony Smith and Carl Smith.

- Only ABC Inc completes PART A: Declaration of associates Body Corporate. AND
- 2. John Smith completes separate PART B: Declaration of associates Individuals. AND
- 3. Jane Smith completes separate PART B: Declaration of associates Individuals. AND
- 4. Tony Smith completes separate PART B: Declaration of associates Individuals. **AND**
- 5. Carl Smith completes separate PART B: Declaration of associates Individuals.



Definitions – Associate

Before completing this declaration, please ensure that you read and understand the explanation of what is meant by "associate".

Section 3AC of the Liquor Control Reform Act 1998 (the Act) defines

- 1. an associate of a person (the "first person") as
 - b). a person who
 - i. holds or will hold any relevant financial interest, or is or will be entitled to exercise any relevant power (whether in right of the person or on behalf of any other person) in any business of the first person involving the sale of liquor; and
 - ii. by virtue of that interest or power, is able or will be able to exercise a significant influence over or with respect to the management or operation of that business; or
 - c). a person who is or will be a director, whether in right of the person or on behalf of another person, of any business of the first person involving the sale of liquor; or
 - d). if the first person is a natural person, a person who is a relative of the first person, other than a relative
 - i. who is not, and has never been, involved in any business of the first person involving the sale of liquor; or
 - ii. who will not be involved in the business the first person proposes to conduct as a licensee or permittee.
- 2. In this section-

"relative", in relation to a person, means-

- a). the spouse or domestic partner of the person, or
- b). a parent, son, daughter, brother or sister of the person; or
- c). a parent, son, daughter, brother or sister of the spouse or domestic partner of the person;

"financial interest", in relation to a business involving the sale of liquor, means—

- a). any share in the capital of the business; or
- b). any entitlement to receive any payment as a result of money advanced;

"relevant power" means any power, whether exercisable by voting or otherwise and whether excisable alone or in association with others—

- a). to participate in any directorial, managerial or executive decision; or
- b). to elect or appoint any person as a director.

Please note: Further to the above, a person who is or will be able to exercise a significant influence includes a shareholder owning 10% or more of the shares of any business of the first person involving the sale of liquor.

Definitions – Body Corporate

A body corporate is an organisation which has a separate legal status to its members (i.e. it can own property, sue and be sued, and enter into contracts in its own name).

Companies, incorporated associations, municipal councils, universities, TAFE institutes and co-operatives are all considered 'body corporates'.

Unincorporated clubs/associations are not body corporates.

The director of a body corporate includes:

- any person occupying or acting in the position of director of the body corporate, by whatever name called (including partner, office
 holder, chief executive officer, executive committee member) and whether or not validly appointed to occupy or duly authorised to
 act in the position; and
- · any person in accordance with whose directions or instructions the directors of the body corporate are instructed to act.

Please note: Directors of a Council, university or TAFE institute are not required to complete a declaration Part B

Who should be declared as an associate?

Examples of persons who may be captured as associates include, but are not limited to, the following:

- · each director, public officer, secretary, chief executive, chief financial officer, committee member of a body corporate.
- shareholders who are able to exercise a significant influence over or with respect to the management or operation of any business of the applicant/director of the body corporate involving the sale of liquor.
- where the applicant is a trustee of a trust, associates may include trust unit holders or beneficiaries who, by virtue of the Trust
 Deed, have voting rights enabling them to remove or change the trustee, or to influence decisions of the trustee.



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PART A: Declaration of associates – If you are applying as a company or incorporated association, you must complete this form

NOTE: Individual (including partners and directors) are not required to complete Part A. You must complete Part B (see next page).

1: Name of the company or incorporated association applying for a liquor licence

2: Tell us about any businesses supplying liquor

Tell us about any businesses which involve the sale of liquor that the applicant runs, owns or is owned by. This includes businesses based in Victoria, interstate or overseas.

Business name or company name	Liquor licence number	Is this a Victorian business? (Tick the box if YES)

3. Tell us about any directors or people with significant influence over the businesses listed above

Tell us about any directors, executive committee members or associates for all of the businesses listed above. Before you start, make sure you understand what an associate is.

An associate is any who has, or is likely to have **significant** influence over the management or operation of the business **AND** who either has a financial interest in the business or is (or will be) entitled to exercise a relevant power.

A financial interest means any one or more of the following:

- · any share in the capital of the business
- · any entitlement to receive any income derived from the business
- · any entitlement to receive any payment as a result of money advanced

A relevant power means

 any relevant power, whether by voting or otherwise to participate in any directorial, managerial or executive decision, or to elect or appoint any person as a director.

Full name of individual (Have they ever been known by another name? If yes, provide)	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Home address	Business name where they are associated (as listed in question 2)	Director ID (if applicable)

If you leave this section blank, you are confirming you have no associates to declare.

Signature/declaration of person/body corporate who is making this declaration

I declare that:

- · the information contained in this form is true and correct
- · I am authorised to sign this application on behalf of the body corporate (company or incorporated association).

Your full name Your position in the business:

Your signature: Date this form was signed (dd/mm/yyyy):

PART B: Declaration of associates – All individuals must complete this form

NOTE: All individual, partners, directors and executive committee members of the applicant must complete this form. It must be completed in your own name. Please refer to the 'Who should complete this form' section on page one.

1: Your full name

2: Your relationship to applicant (for example director of a company or partner of a partnership)

3: Tell us about any businesses supplying liquor that you are involved in

Tell us about any businesses you are involved in that supply liquor. This includes businesses based in Victoria, interstate or overseas. You must include the business that is applying for a liquor licence.

Business name or company name	Liquor licence number	Is this a Victorian business? (Tick the box if YES)

If you leave this section blank, you are confirming you have no associates to declare.

4. Tell us about any directors or people with significant influence over the businesses listed above

Tell us about any directors, executive committee members or associates for all of the businesses listed above. Before you start, make sure you understand what an associate is.

An associate is any who has, or is likely to have **significant** influence over the management or operation of the business **AND** who either has a financial interest in the business or is (or will be) entitled to exercise a relevant power.

A financial interest means any one or more of the following:

- · any share in the capital of the business
- · any entitlement to receive any income derived from the business
- any entitlement to receive any payment as a result of money advanced

A relevant power means:

any relevant power, whether by voting or otherwise to participate in any directorial, managerial or executive decision, or to elect or
appoint any person as a director.

Full name of individual (Have they ever been known by another name? If yes, provide)	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Home address	Business name where they are associated (as listed in question 3)	Director ID (if applicable)

If you leave this section blank, you are confirming you have no associates to declare.

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5. Tell us about any of your relatives who are connected to any of your businesses

A close relative connected to any of your businesses is also considered an associate. Tell us about any close relatives that:

- are working for your businesses
- · have worked for one of your businesses in the past
- · are likely to work for one of your businesses in the future

A close relative can be your spouse or domestic partner, your parents, children or siblings or a close relative of your partner.

Full name of individual (Have they ever been known by another name? If yes, provide)	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Home address	Business name where they are associated (as listed in question 3)

If you leave this section blank, you are confirming you have no associates to declare.

Signature/declaration of individual who is making this declaration

	declare	that	the	information	contained	in	this	form	is	true	and	correct
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Your full name:

Date this form was signed (dd/mm/yyyy):

Your signature: