

## **OBTAINING A PER DIEM (ONE DAY) LICENSE**

To all-prospective applicants for a per diem on-sale beer, beer and wine or beer, wine and liquor license:

Title 28-1309 of the Alcoholic Beverages Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland authorizes the issuance of certain licenses, for temporary periods of time, to any bona fide religious, fraternal, civic, veterans, hospital or charitable organization; subject to any conditions the Alcohol Beverage Board may impose on the issuance of the license. In order for the Board to determine whether an applicant for a temporary license is, in fact, a bona fide organization under the provisions of the law, applicants shall provide the Board, along with its application for the license, the following evidence of the structure and/or operation of the organization: articles of incorporation, articles of organization, charter, by-laws, both State and Federal tax-exempt status authorization, and any other documents indicating whether the organization meets the applicable requirements for the issuance of the license.

Applicants for per diem licenses must be residents of St. Mary's County and must have alcohol awareness certification.

The determination of whether the organization does, in fact, qualify for the issuance of a per diem license will be in the sole discretion of the Board upon its review of the documents provided. The Board Administrator is authorized to grant such licenses on behalf of the Board. The application for the license shall be submitted no less than thirty (30) days prior to the special event for which the license is being requested.

Once an organization's status has been approved by the Board, said approval will remain in effect for all per diem licenses requested by the organization until the month of June following said approval, after which documentation of the organization's continuing status shall be submitted.