



# LIQUOR EDUCATION TRAINING BULLETIN

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## 16-3-304 MCA:

### ***Closing hours for licensed retail establishment***

All licensed establishments where alcoholic beverages are sold, offered for sale, or given away at retail shall be closed each day between 2 a.m. and 8 a.m. However, when any municipal incorporation has by ordinance further restricted the hours of sale of alcoholic beverages, then the sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited within the limits of any such city or town during that time. During such hours all persons except the alcoholic beverage licensee and employees of such licensed establishment shall be excluded from the licensed premises.

**Training Note:** This includes no consumption of alcohol on the premises after 2 a.m. even by employees who may be inside cleaning up.

## 16-3-305 MCA:

### ***Sale of alcoholic beverages during closed hours unlawful***

During the hours when the licensed establishments where alcoholic beverages are sold at retail are required by this code to be closed, it shall be unlawful to sell, offer for sale, give away, consume, or allow the consumption of alcoholic beverages. When an establishment licensed to sell alcoholic beverages is ***operated in conjunction with a hotel, restaurant, bus depot, railway terminal, grocery store, pharmacy, or other lawful business other than that of the sale of alcoholic beverages, then such other lawful business need not be closed.***



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