required to take alcohol server training in compliance with R.I. Gen Laws §3-7-6.1 and this Rule, or copies of said certificates, shall be available at the licensed premises for presentation to local and/or Departmental licensing authorities upon request.

- (f) Any person who, prior to the effective date of this Rule, successfully completed an alcohol server training program, which program subsequently receives approval from the Department, shall be deemed to be in compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws §3-7-6.1 and this Rule, provided that said course was successfully completed not more than five (5) years prior to the effective date of this Rule. Certification received by said person shall only be valid until the earlier of (i) the date of expiration, if any, on the certificate and (ii) five (5) years from the date the course was successfully completed.
- (g) The Department's approval/certification may be revoked if the alcohol server training program violates the provisions of R.I. Gen. Laws §3-7-6.1 or this Rule. The Department reserves the right to take such other administrative action as deemed appropriate.
- (h) Local licensing authorities shall ensure compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws §3-7-6.1 and this Rule prior to the renewal of any alcoholic beverage license.

Cross Reference:

Renewal of Class B, Class C, Class D, Class E, Class J and Class N licenses § 3-7-6.1

RULE 44 CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING COMPLIANCE

In order to ensure compliance with R.I. Gen. Law §3-7-24, the following procedures will apply to the renewal and transfer of alcoholic beverage licenses:

- (a) Renewals: Every licensee must provide the local licensing authority with a Certificate of Good Standing from the Division of Taxation by November 30 of each calendar year. If the Certificate of Good Standing is not provided by November 30 the licensee shall be closed on December 1 and thereafter until said Certificate is so provided. The local authority should inform licensees upon commencement of the renewal process that the Division of Taxation requires a minimum of fifteen (15) days to process and issue requests for a Certificate of Good Standing.
- (b) Transfers: A local authority may approve a transfer application on a "granted but not issued" basis for only one (1) thirty (30) day period, calculated from the date that the local authority gave said approval. If a Certificate of Good Standing from the Division of Taxation is not provided to the local authority within the thirty (30) day time period, the transfer application shall be considered null and void and a new application must be submitted and a new hearing date scheduled in accordance with the requirements of R.I. Gen. Law §3-5-17.