

## CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

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From the Office of M. Caitlin S. Anderson Liquor Control Division Director

RE: Delivery Extension Approved for January 2023 and February 2023

The Department received a written request filed by the Wine and Spirits Wholesalers of Connecticut, Inc. requesting permission to deliver alcohol beverage products ordered in January 2023 through Friday, February 3, 2023, and to deliver alcohol beverage products ordered in February 2023 through Friday, March 3, 2023.

The Department reviewed this request, which highlights: (1) the unique nature of the calendar, (2) the supply chain and delivery transportation issues presently impacting the timely receipt of alcohol beverage products, and (3) the anticipated increase in wholesale costs due to rising cost of materials, resulting in more "buy-in" situations. Specifically, many products will be increasing in price, which means retailers only have a limited opportunity to buy stock at a lower price point. Because January and February end on a Tuesday, it will make completion of the anticipated increased deliveries by the end of each month more difficult. Following review, the Department has approved the request and extends it to all Connecticut wholesalers.

Please note that this approval pertains to extension of delivery only and not to the placing of orders. All orders must still be placed by January 31, 2023 and February 28, 2023, respectively.

If you have any questions regarding this extension or any other liquor-related matter, please email us at <a href="mailto:dcp.liquorcontrol@ct.gov">dcp.liquorcontrol@ct.gov</a>.

The Department of Consumer Protection, through the State Liquor control Commission, oversees all sales of liquor in the State of Connecticut.