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<u>License Update</u> Private Outdoor Designated Area (PODA)

Charleston, W.Va. - The West Virginia Alcohol Beverage Control Administration (WVABCA) by an *Order of the Commissioner*, effective May 1, 2024 has expanded the Class A on-premises licenses that are now eligible to participate in a PODA with a qualified permit.

The WVABCA entered an *Order of Commissioner* to clarify that ALL Class A licenses may apply for a PODA qualified permit. This now includes; Class A Taverns for the sale and consumption of beer. Class A Private Club Bars and Restaurants for the sale and consumption of liquor, wine and beer. Class A Private Wine Restaurants, Class A Private Wine Bed and Breakfast, and Private Wine Spa for the sale and consumption of wine. Class A licensees may only sell the alcohol authorized by its license, but may permit a patrons PODA cup filled with any alcohol.