

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Are package stores/liquor stores allowed in Westwood?** NO

**Are bars or taverns allowed in Westwood?** NO

**Are “paint” bars allowed in Westwood?** NO

**Can convenience stores sell alcohol?** NO

**Can gas stations with convenience stores sell alcohol?** NO

**How many and what kind of alcoholic beverages licenses are available in Westwood?** Please contact Karyn Flynn, Licensing Administrator at 781-767-6344 or [Kflynn@townhall.westwood.ma.us](mailto:Kflynn@townhall.westwood.ma.us)

**What is the “quota system” and what is it based on?**

The Massachusetts Liquor Control Act places a quota or limit on the number of alcoholic beverages licenses a city or town can issue. The quota is based on the population of the community as determined by the most recent Federal census.

**Is the Town of Westwood obligated to grant a license if the quota has not been met?**

No. The issuance of a liquor license is at the discretion of the Local Licensing Authority, (LLA) the Westwood Board of Selectmen.