

**REQUEST FOR RELAXTION OF LOCAL CONDITION RE:OUTDOOR AREA –
MULLIGANS (RACHAEL RENNIE)**

We would like to be considered for a request for the condition for the outside area to be relaxed for the Euros games. Many of the games are in the evening, and may run beyond the time permitted.

We are requesting that the 10pm is extended to 11pm for the purposes of drinking up time only (there will be no service of alcohol in the garden beyond 10pm) as some of the games are 8pm starts and this will allow customers to watch the end of the game should it run beyond 10pm.

The area will be effectively managed throughout this time (as it will always be) to ensure that we are meeting the licensing objectives.

We are requesting that this relaxation would apply for the dates of all of the games in the Euros tournament please.

As you can imagine, trying to clear the area if the game is still going on would be a huge challenge, and in the interests of promoting the Securing Public Safety objective, allowing these areas extra time would assist Licence holders to achieve this.

Aberdeen Licensing Board agreed a jurisdiction wide relaxation of licence conditions to allow premises with external areas to show Euro 24 matches and extend terminal hours of such areas where matches go into extra time.

The Pavilion Festival has been permitted time over the general 10pm terminal hour for outside areas for this reason, and so there is a precedent for areas within Couth Ayrshire to have hours beyond 10pm, so we would appreciate it being considered across other venues within the Board area.

Many thanks for your consideration and I am happy to discuss further if required.

M.E.T. Corporate Ltd - Mulligans, 7-9 Arthur Street, Ayr
Request for relaxation of Local Condition
Information from Licensing Standards Officer

The Premises Licence Holder for Mulligans has made a request to the Licensing Board to relax the local condition which restricts the use of the external drinking area to 10pm.

The reason for the request is so that the premises can show the football games from the Euro's from Friday 14th June to Sunday 14th July on the large screen in their outdoor drinking area and to be able to allow patrons to view the match until its conclusion outside if it goes on beyond 10pm.

This idea has been supported by some Licensing Boards in Scotland who have offered an area wide relaxation of the time restriction, however this would not be appropriate in South Ayrshire as these are the only premises who currently have permission to show football on an external screen with volume. Members will be aware that all activities that take place within an outdoor drinking area must be represented in the Operating Plan and as per the policy statement an acoustic consultant's report is required to accompany any application to include entertainment. As a result of the report provided for the outside area which now belongs to Mulligans, the Board granted permission for televised sport on a large screen television with the associated volume.

The layout of the outside drinking area and the television screen can be seen in the attached photographs.

Members should note that the neighbouring premises does NOT have permission to show sport with volume outside and the screen from Mulligans can be viewed and indeed heard from their outside drinking area which has a terminal hour of 10pm as per the local condition.

There are a total of 51 matches over the period of one month as part of UEFA Euro 2024, however not all of these have an 8pm kick off and are therefore likely to go on later than the 10pm current curfew. If the Board were minded to allow the relaxation of the condition in respect of Mulligans, I would suggest that a list of dates is supplied by the premises and this can be shared with Police Scotland so that is clear on which nights the outdoor drinking area can be used until 11pm.

Being aware of other sporting events and other significant televised events, I would ask the Board to consider the reason for relaxing the condition on this occasion as this does not involve any consultation with neighbours or the local community who will be used to the 10pm curfew outdoors. The Board may also wish to consider their ability to withdraw the relaxation if a noise or disturbance issue arises during the month that would be inconsistent with the licensing objective 'Preventing Public Nuisance'.

Catrina Andrew
Licensing Standards Officer
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Television screen





Screen visible from next door premises garden



External Bar unit