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**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION ADVISORY REGARDING
MUSICAL PERFORMANCES AT LICENSED ESTABLISHMENTS**

On February 25, 2021, Governor Charlie Baker announced that the state will move into Phase 3, Step 2 of its reopening plan. Part of this phase and step of the reopening plan permits musical performances, so long as 6-foot distancing between customers' tables is maintained.

The Massachusetts Department of Labor Standards has clarified that, while musical performances are permitted at licensed establishments for on-premises alcohol consumption, singing is not permissible indoors as part of these performances.

Singing is permissible outdoors, provided licensees comply with the following requirements:

- 1) there must be a minimum of 10 feet between performers, and
- 2) there must be a minimum of 25 feet between performers and first row of the audience.

Please be aware that plexiglass barriers cannot be used to reduce the required distance between performers or between performers and the audience.

Licensees can find further guidance on this phase and step of the reopening plan, including musical performances, [HERE](#).

As always, all licensees must ensure that they comply with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and that sales of alcoholic beverages take place only as authorized by federal, state, and local law. All questions should be directed to the ABCC Executive Director Ralph Sacramone at rsacramone@tre.state.ma.us or (617) 727-3040 x 731.

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