

Alcohol Ballot Questions in Arlington since 1978

1978:

Q1: "Shall 5 licenses be granted by this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages by restaurants and function rooms having a seating capacity of not less than ninety-nine"

Passed 4093 to 3874

1988:

Q1: "To prohibit carry-in of alcoholic beverages to restaurants"

Passed 3945 to 3057

Q2: "Selectmen discretion to grant exception to general prohibition of carry-in alcoholic beverages to restaurants under certain conditions"

Failed 3703 to 3033

1994:

Q1: (non-binding) "shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized to grant licenses for the sale of beer and wine in restaurants"

Passed 5640 to 2390

2006:

Q1a: "Shall the licensing authority in the Town of Arlington be authorized to issue up to three license for the sale of wine and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises?"

Passed 4351 to 3336

Q1B: "Shall the licensing authority in the Town of Arlington be authorized to issue up to three licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises?"

Failed 3817 to 3794

Q2: "Shall the Town be authorized to grant an additional five licenses for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages by restaurants and function room having a seating capacity of not less than 99 persons?"

Passed 6231 to 1540

2007:

Q1: (non-binding) "Should the Board of Selectmen be encouraged to file for home rule legislation that would grant up to three all-alcohol package store licenses?"

Failed 2965 to 2455

2008:

Q: (BINDING) "Shall the Board of Selectmen be granted the authority to reduce from 99 to 50 the minimum seating capacity for restaurants and function rooms for the sale therein of all alcohol beverages to be consumed on premises?"

Passed 3980 to 1294

2009:

Q1: "Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized to grant an additional 5 licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in restaurants and function rooms having a seating capacity of not less than 50 persons?"

Passed 3938 to 1286

Q2: (non-binding) "Do you favor allowing the service of alcoholic beverages without food in licensed restaurants"

Passed 2686 to 2494

Q3: (non-binding) "Do you favor increasing the number of stores in Arlington licensed to sell wine and malt beverages for consumption from three to five?"

Passed 2594 to 2566

Q4: (non-binding) "Do you favor allowing stores in Arlington currently licensed to sell wine and malt beverages for consumption off-premises to sell all alcoholic beverages for consumption off-premises?"

Passed 2938 to 2200

2010:

Q4: (binding) (in the State election) "Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized to grant up to 3 licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises in replacement of up to 3 existing licenses for the sale of wines and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises?"

Passed

2012:

Q1: "Shall the Board of Selectmen for the Town be authorized to grant up to 2 additional licenses for the sale of all alcohol beverages not to be drunk on the premises?"

Passed 3958 to 2648

Q2: "Shall the Board of Selectmen of the Town be authorized to grant licenses for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises in theaters with seating capacities of at least 100?"

Passed 3719 to 2897

2015

Q1: "Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized to grant an additional five licenses for a total of twenty for the sale therein of all-alcoholic beverages by restaurants and function rooms having a seating capacity of not less than 50 persons?"

Passed 1957 to 539

2019:

Q1: "Shall the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Arlington be authorized to issue 1 additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises?"

Passed 3662 to 1434