

**DEPARTMENT OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL COMMISSIONER
200 Definitions**

201 (Formerly Rule 56) As Amended A Rule Defining Cash

1.0 Cash Sales

- 1.1 No sale of alcoholic liquors by any licensee of this Commissioner shall be made except for cash.
- 1.2 For the purpose of this rule, the word "**cash**" shall mean:
 - 1.2.1 In the case of a Package Store, Restaurant-OFF License, Hotel-OFF License, Taproom-OFF License and Club-OFF License, payment in currency, a valid check of a banking institution or nationally known or local bank credit or debit cards, before any alcoholic liquor is permitted to leave the premises;
 - 1.2.2 In the case of an on-premises licensee other than Hotels, Clubs or Caterers, payment upon the completion of service and before the patron leaves the premises by check, currency or nationally known or local bank credit or debit cards; except in cases where the licensee has its own credit card system and the charge of alcoholic liquors has been in conjunction with the service of full course meals to each person being served and/or consuming the alcoholic liquors, this may be accepted as cash;
 - 1.2.3 In the case of a Hotel, payment upon completion of stay or service by currency, valid check or by nationally known or local bank credit or debit cards. In the case where a Hotel has its own credit system, this may be accepted as cash;
 - 1.2.4 In the case of a Caterer, payment upon the completion of service and before the patron leaves the premises by check, currency or nationally known or local credit or debit cards; this may be accepted as cash;
 - 1.2.5 In the case of Clubs where provision is made in their Rules or By-Laws for members to have charge accounts, payments by currency or check within 60 days with all accounts of the previous month being settled in full by the last day of the following month.

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