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IN THE MATTER

of an application by The Pokeno Whisky Company Limited for renewal of an off-licence pursuant to s.127 of the Act in respect of premises situated at 22 Gateway Park Drive POKENO known as "The Pokeno Whisky Company".

BEFORE THE WAIKATO DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Commissioner: Andrew Baker

DECISION

[1] I have before me an application by The Pokeno Whisky Company Limited for the variation and renewal of an off licence in respect of premises situated at 22 Gateway Park Drive, Pokeno known as "The Pokeno Whisky Company".

[2] The application was made prior to the expiry of the underlying off licence. The applicant seeks to vary the licensed hours for the premises.

[3] The nature of the business is that of a whisky distillery.

[4] Reports on the application were received from an Inspector, the Medical Officer of Health and the Police and offer no opposition.

[5] The application was duly advertised and did not attract any public objection.

[6] I am satisfied as to the matters which I must have regard as set out in s.105 of the Act, and I am satisfied that the application meets the purpose and object of the Act. Accordingly, I grant the applicant a renewal of the underlying off licence with the following conditions:

- (a) No alcohol is to be sold or delivered on Good Friday, Christmas Day, Easter Sunday, or before 1.00 pm on Anzac Day.
- (b) Only alcohol in the form of spirits which are manufactured on the premises may be sold, and only during the following days and hours:
Monday to Sunday 11.00am to 11.00pm
- (c) Drinking water must be freely available to customers at the following places while alcohol is being supplied free as a sample on the premises:
In the body of the premises near to where the samples are being provided.
- (d) No intoxicated persons may be allowed to enter or to remain on the premises.

- (e) Appropriate signage regarding the restrictions on the supply of alcohol to minors and intoxicated persons must be prominently displayed adjacent to every point of sale.
- (f) The whole of the premises is un-designated.
- (g) The licensee must take the following steps to ensure that the provisions of the Act relating to the management of the premises are observed:
 - (i) All staff will be trained in their responsibilities under the Act.
 - (ii) A sign shall be prominently displayed inside the premises, which identifies by name the manager on duty or of the person responsible for the management of the sale and supply of alcohol under the licence.
- (h) The sale, supply and consumption of alcohol is authorised on the premises generally. The premises situated at 22 Gateway Park Drive, Pokeno, are more precisely identified in a plan date stamped as received by the Waikato District Licensing Committee on 27 May 2022.

[7] The licence may issue for a period of three (3) years upon payment of any outstanding fee.

[8] I refer any party who wishes to appeal this decision or part of this decision to sections 154 through to 158 of the Act.

DATED at Auckland this 29th day of July 2026



Andrew Baker
Commissioner
Waikato District Licensing Committee

