

**IN THE MATTER** of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 (the Act)

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER** of an application by Ruapehu Food Warehouse Limited for the renewal of an OFF licence pursuant to Section 127 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 in respect of the premises situated at 131 Ruapehu Street, Taupo and known as "Taupo Pak n Save".

**THE APPLICATION**

This is an application by Ruapehu Food Warehouse Limited for the renewal of an Off Licence in respect of the licensed premises known as Taupo Pak n Save, situated at 131 Ruapehu Street, Taupo.

The applicant is the holder of a Off Licence, Licence Number 20/OFF/0119/2024 which was renewed by the Taupō District Licensing Committee on 16 June 2020.

The application was duly advertised on the Taupo District Council website from 24 May 2023 for a period of 10 days and no objections were received. Display of the public notice has been carried out in the terms of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 by the licensee and no objections were lodged by any members of the public.

The Inspector has provided a comprehensive report that outlines the safe and responsible operation of this licence for many years.

Both the Police and the MOoH opposed the renewal, believing the single sales of high strength beers are not responsible in this environment.

**REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

The applicant is a proven operator and has not come to notice in an adverse manner for any of the reporting agencies. The hours are reasonable, and the social responsibility practices appear sound.

A round of negotiations occurred with no resolution and the matter was set down for a public hearing. Following a hearing in April for a nearby bottle store the DLC declined to impose a condition restricting certain single sales citing that there was insufficient evidence to substantiate the imposition of a restrictive condition at this point in time.

Subsequently the Police and MOoH have withdrawn their opposition for this, and other similar, renewals in the Taupo area.

The DLC acknowledges their pragmatic decision and advises that the DLC is acutely mindful of the effects of singles sales where there is evidence of them being promoted by licensees and are targeted by, and/or abused by, certain demographics of the township.

We make it clear to the applicant that they must monitor single sales of beer from their store and ensure that they are not facilitating easy access to potentially high risk products. Should issues arise we would expect the licensee to respond responsibly and promptly, and we are sure the agencies will be willing to assist in this area of work.

**THE DECISION**

We are satisfied as to the matters to which we must have regard as set out in the Act and approve the renewal of the licence for three years on the same conditions as previously granted by the Taupo District Licensing Committee.

I direct that a notice of renewal and a replacement licence be issued.

Dated at Taupō on 12 August 2024



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Murray Clearwater  
**Commissioner**  
**Taupō District Licensing Committee**

## Taupō District Licensing Committee

### Notice of Renewal of Off Licence

*Section 135, Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012*

To: **Ruapehu Food Warehouse Limited**

Licence **20/OFF/0098/2024** replacing licence **20/OFF/0098/2020**

The Off Licence in respect of the premises situated at 131 Ruapehu Street, Taupo known as “**Taupo Pak n Save**” is renewed.

The present conditions of the licence shall continue to apply.

Subject to the requirements of the Act relating to the payment of fees, and to the provisions of the Act relating to the suspension and cancellation of licenses, the licence continues in force—

- until the close of the period for which it is renewed; or
- if an application for the renewal of the licence is duly made before it would otherwise expire, until the close of the period of 3 years after the period for which it is renewed.

The period for which the licence is renewed is 3 years expiring on  
**15 July 2026**

Dated at Taupō on 12 August 2024



Murray Clearwater  
**Commissioner**  
**Taupō District Licensing Committee**

**OFF LICENCE**

Sections 17 to 20, and 64, Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012

Pursuant to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012, **Ruapehu Food Warehouse Limited** is authorised to sell or deliver alcohol on or from the premises situated at 131 Ruapehu Street, Taupo, and known as **Taupo Pak n Save**, to any person for consumption off the premises and to supply alcohol free, as a sample, for consumption on the premises.

If this licence is not endorsed under section 40 of the Act, the licensee is also authorised to sell alcohol on or from the premises and deliver it somewhere else.

The authority conferred by this licence must be exercised through a manager, or managers, appointed by the licensee in accordance with Subpart 7 of Part 2 of the Act.

**CONDITIONS**

This licence is subject to the following conditions:

1. Alcohol may be sold on the premises for consumption off the premises and supplied free as a sample for consumption on the premises, only on the following days and hours: **Monday to Sunday from 7.00am to 10.30pm.**
2. No alcohol is to be sold on or delivered from the premises on Good Friday, Easter Sunday or Christmas Day or before 1.00pm on Anzac Day.
3. While alcohol is being supplied free as a sample, water is to be provided to patrons free of charge at the place where the samples are being supplied.
4. No alcohol may be sold other than –
  - a. beer that complies with the applicable New Zealand food standard for beer; or
  - b. mead that complies with the applicable New Zealand food standard for mead; or
  - c. fruit or vegetable wine that complies with the applicable New Zealand food standard for fruit or vegetable wine; or
  - d. grape wine that complies with the applicable New Zealand food standard for grape wine; or
  - e. a food flavouring, prepared for culinary purposes, that is unsuitable for drinking undiluted.
5. A properly appointed certificated or Acting or Temporary Manager must be on duty, at or nearby the point of sale, at all times when the premises are open for the sale and supply of alcohol.
6. The Licensee must display signage as follows:
  - a. At every point of sale detailing restrictions on the sale and supply of alcohol to minors and intoxicated persons,
  - b. A copy of the licence attached to the inside of the premises so as to be easily read by people entering each principle entrance to the premises,
  - c. A sign prominently displayed at the premises, which identifies by name the manager for the time being on duty.
7. The "single alcohol area" for the premises is as described on the plan dated 16 May 2019.  
The licensee must ensure that:
  - a. No alcohol is displayed, promoted or advertised outside the single alcohol area; and
  - b. No products other than alcohol, low-alcohol and non-alcoholic beer, wine or mead are displayed, promoted or advertised inside the single alcohol area.

**THE LICENSED PREMISES**

The sale or delivery of alcohol is authorised in or from the premises generally. The premises situated at 131 Ruapehu Street, Taupo are more precisely identified as outlined in a plan date stamped as received by the Taupo District Licensing Committee on 24th May 2023

**DISPLAY OF LICENCE AND PRINCIPAL ENTRANCE**

A copy of this licence must be displayed at the principal entrance to the premises. The entrance from 131 Ruapehu Street, Taupo is designated as the principal entrance.

**DURATION**

Subject to the requirements of the Act relating to the payment of fees, and to the provisions of the Act relating to the suspension and cancellation of licences this licence continues in force –

- until the close of the period for which it is renewed; or
- if an application for the renewal of the licence is duly made before it would otherwise expire, until the close of the period of 3 years after the period for which it is renewed.

**This licence expires on 15 July 2026 unless further renewed**

RENEWED at TAUPO on 12 August 2024



Murray Clearwater

Commissioner for Taupō District Licensing Committee

PLEASE DISPLAY THIS LICENCE AT THE PRINCIPAL ENTRANCE TO THE PREMISES