

Entertainment District Requirements

The Mobile City Council passed an ordinance establishing two Entertainment Districts in Downtown Mobile in 2013, amended it in 2016 and added a third district in 2019. Below are some of the requirements relating to the "open container" portion of the ordinance.

The ordinance **allows**:

- A customer to leave a licensed establishment between noon and midnight with a single paper or plastic cup, 16 oz. or less. The cup must be branded with the logo of the licensee or the LoDa logo, available from Downtown Mobile Alliance.
- A customer, after leaving an establishment in an Entertainment District, to walk along the sidewalks within the Entertainment District (map attached) between the hours of noon and midnight.
- Glassware to be used only at sidewalk cafes where food is being served
- As always, licensees have the right to refuse service to anyone.

The ordinance does not allow:

- A customer to leave an establishment with more than one drink
- Anyone to drink an alcoholic beverage from a can, bottle, unbranded paper or plastic cup, or glass container while on the streets, sidewalks or parking lots within the entertainment district
- A cup larger than 16 oz. to be removed from a licensed establishment
- Any person to possess an open alcoholic beverage container larger than 16 oz. in any public space or parking lot in the entertainment district
- Any person to consume an alcoholic beverage in a motor vehicle
- Alcoholic beverages purchased outside the district to be consumed in public spaces and parking lots within the entertainment district
- An alcoholic beverage, regardless of where purchased, to be brought into a licensed establishment
- Underage drinking anywhere in the districts

