



Cruise Ships to Enforce Temporary Alcohol Ban for Bahamas

Description

A temporary ban on alcohol sales will take place in the Bahamas next week during the country's general election, a measure designed to ensure order during voting hours. The restriction will apply from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, affecting both land and sea operations.

The ban aligns with established Bahamian law prohibiting alcohol distribution on election day. This regulation reflects a long-standing commitment to maintaining public order during electoral processes. Royal Caribbean, a major cruise line, informed guests that the prohibition applies nationwide, and no exceptions will be made.

The alcohol ban will impact popular tourist areas, including Nassau and Grand Bahama, as well as private islands operated by cruise lines, such as Royal Caribbean's CocoCay. Despite the restrictions onshore, guests aboard cruise ships will still have the opportunity to purchase and consume alcohol.

Three Royal Caribbean ships—Wonder of the Seas, Oasis of the Seas, and Utopia of the Seas—are scheduled to dock in the Bahamas on election day. While passengers will not face restrictions onboard, the cruise line has expressed full compliance with local laws. The spokesperson reiterated their commitment to respecting regulations in all destinations where they operate.

For guests with bookings at Royal Beach Club Paradise Island on May 12, the cruise line will issue a 50% refund in onboard credit. Passengers can also explore alternative activities through the ship's shore excursions desk or the Royal Caribbean website.

Events are evolving, as some cruise lines consider itinerary adjustments to bypass affected areas during the alcohol ban. Other companies like Norwegian Cruise Line and Carnival Cruise Line also manage private island destinations in the Bahamas, highlighting the widespread impact of this election-related measure.

Vocabulary List:

1. **temporary** //ˈtɛmpəˌrɛri// (adjective): lasting only for a short time
2. **prohibition** //ˌprɒsəˈbɪʃən// (noun): an official rule that stops something
3. **electoral** //ɪˈlɛktərəl// (adjective): relating to an election or voting
4. **compliance** //kəmˈplaɪəns// (noun): following rules or laws as required
5. **itinerary** //aɪˈtɪnəˌrɛri// (noun): a plan of places to visit
6. **excursions** //ɪkˈskɜːrʒənz// (noun): short trips for pleasure or learning



Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. What is the duration of the temporary ban on alcohol sales in the Bahamas?
Option: 24 hours
Option: 6 hours
Option: 12 hours
Option: 8 hours
2. Which cruise line informed their guests about the alcohol prohibition?
Option: Carnival Cruise Line
Option: Norwegian Cruise Line
Option: Royal Caribbean
Option: Disney Cruise Line
3. What time does the alcohol sales ban start on election day?
Option: 7 a.m.
Option: 8 a.m.
Option: 9 a.m.
Option: 10 a.m.
4. Which of the following areas will be affected by the alcohol sales ban?
Option: Miami
Option: Nassau
Option: CocoCay
Option: Both Nassau and CocoCay
5. How much refund will Royal Caribbean issue for guests at Royal Beach Club Paradise Island?
Option: 25%
Option: 50%
Option: 75%
Option: 100%
6. Which ships from Royal Caribbean are scheduled to dock in the Bahamas on election day?
Option: Harmony of the Seas, Symphony of the Seas, Freedom of the Seas



- Option: Wonder of the Seas, Oasis of the Seas, Utopia of the Seas
Option: Explorer of the Seas, Adventure of the Seas, Liberty of the Seas
Option: Anthem of the Seas, Voyager of the Seas, Radiance of the Seas

True-False

7. The alcohol sales ban applies only to land operations in the Bahamas.
8. Passengers aboard cruise ships will be restricted from purchasing alcohol during the election.
9. The ban on alcohol sales is only applicable in private islands.
10. Royal Caribbean has announced they will not comply with local laws regarding the alcohol ban.
11. The alcohol prohibition is due to a general election in the Bahamas.
12. All cruise lines operating in the Bahamas are affected by the alcohol ban.

Gap-Fill

13. The alcohol ban will be in effect from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on _____.
14. The alcohol distribution prohibition reflects a long-standing commitment to maintaining _____ during electoral processes.
15. Royal Caribbean's private island operated for guests is called _____.
16. For bookings at Royal Beach Club Paradise Island on May 12, guests will receive a 50% refund in _____.
17. Cruise lines are considering _____ adjustments to avoid areas affected by the alcohol ban.
18. The alcohol prohibition is part of established Bahamian _____.



Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. 10 hours 2. Royal Caribbean 3. 8 a.m. 4. Both Nassau and CocoCay 5. 50% 6. Wonder of the Seas, Oasis of the Seas, Utopia of the Seas

True-False: 7. False 8. False 9. False 10. False 11. True 12. True

Gap-Fill: 13. Tuesday 14. public order 15. CocoCay 16. onboard credit 17. itinerary 18. law

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. What is typically measured by the Consumer Price Index?

- Option: Deflation
- Option: Inflation
- Option: Recession
- Option: Stagnation

2. Which word best describes a stock market that frequently changes values?

- Option: Stable
- Option: Predictable
- Option: Volatile
- Option: Consistent

3. In economics, what does 'core inflation' exclude?

- Option: Essentials
- Option: Food and Energy
- Option: Services
- Option: Durable Goods

4. What quality allows a person or economy to recover quickly from difficulties?

- Option: Fragile
- Option: Weak
- Option: Resilient
- Option: Vulnerable

5. What term is used to describe the acceptance of new technology or methods?



- Option: Abandonment
- Option: Rejection
- Option: Adoption
- Option: Resistance

6. What is the feeling that requires immediate action called?

- Option: Complacency
- Option: Indifference
- Option: Urgency
- Option: Patience

7. What is a person who publicly supports a cause known as?

- Option: Opponent
- Option: Critic
- Option: Advocate
- Option: Neutral

8. What term refers to something that affects a system as a whole?

- Option: Isolated
- Option: Systemic
- Option: Local
- Option: Minor

9. What is the term for the forced movement of people from their homes?

- Option: Settlement
- Option: Displacement
- Option: Retention
- Option: Integration

10. What term describes the act of forbidding something, such as alcohol in the 1920s?

- Option: Permission
- Option: Prohibition
- Option: Regulation
- Option: Authorization

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. The prices of certain goods fluctuate _____, affecting the cost of living.

12. The company's layoffs were supposed to be _____ but turned into longer-term



unemployment.

13. The government introduced a new _____ on imported goods to protect local industries.
14. The plant is running at maximum _____ to meet increasing demand.
15. The company ensured full _____ with all regulatory requirements.
16. The travel agent provided a detailed _____ for the trip including all activities and accommodations.
17. The policy changes have unforeseen _____ that could affect several sectors.
18. The constant neglect led to the _____ of the building over several years.
19. The school organized several educational _____ for the students this semester.
20. Frequent _____ in the power supply disrupted daily activities across the city.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. The discovery of penicillin was a pivotal moment in the history of medicine.
22. The new policy aims to alleviate poverty in urban areas.
23. The manager reassured the team that their jobs were secure despite the economic downturn.
24. Stock prices plummeted after the negative earnings report was released.
25. The crisis is overshadowing the accomplishments of the previous year.
26. The heavy rains precipitated a series of landslides in the area.
27. The board decided to suspend the project until further notice.
28. In recent years, the demand for electric vehicles outpaces supply.
29. The partnership between the two companies has led to innovative solutions.



30. The electoral reforms were designed to increase participation in the voting process.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Inflation 2. Volatile 3. Food and Energy 4. Resilient 5. Adoption 6. Urgency 7. Advocate 8. Systemic 9. Displacement 10. Prohibition

Gap-Fill: 11. seasonally 12. temporary 13. tariff 14. capacity 15. compliance 16. itinerary 17. repercussions 18. deterioration 19. excursions 20. outages

Matching sentence: 1. pivotal 2. alleviate 3. reassured 4. plummeted 5. overshadowing 6. precipitated 7. suspend 8. outpaces 9. partnership 10. electoral

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