

IN THE MATTER

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol
Act 2012 Act

AND

IN THE MATTER

of an application by **AUKUSH
TAAK, 3/43 Goldridge Way,
Goldfield Heights, Queenstown**
pursuant to s.219 of the Act for a
Manager's Certificate

BEFORE THE DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE
DECISION

[1] An application was filed by Mr Taak on 8th February 2017 for a Managers Certificate. It was considered in accordance with s.191 (2) and s.222 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012.

[2] The application was not supported by the Inspector and was not opposed by the Police. No public hearing was held.

[3] Mr Taak is from India and is 20 years of age. He is currently on a work permit which allows him to work as a duty manager for the SS Merchants TA Hells Pizza in Queenstown, where he has been employed since 12th October 2016. The visa expires on 20th February 2019.

[4] Mr Taak has successfully completed the Licence Controller Qualification (LCQ) but has failed in three attempts to pass the QLDC test requirement as part of the new application process. He demonstrated a significant lack of knowledge and understanding of the Act; the practical processes required by a duty manager (e.g. the birth year of an 18 year old, the signs of intoxication, size of a standard drink); and details of the licence where he works (e.g. Licensed hours, the designation and its meaning). Throughout this testing process Mr Taak was given assistance, extra time, encouragement to revise, and was aware of the questions, but all to no avail.

[5] The applicant has failed to demonstrate that he has the necessary knowledge and ability at this time to be considered suitable to hold a Manager's Certificate. Accordingly, the Committee rules pursuant to S 221(1) of the Act, that the above application for a new Managers Certificate is declined.

DATED at Queenstown this 29th day of May 2017



Mr L A Cocks
Commissioner

