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## Spring forward, says Clifton Davies (/news/2019-03-05-spring-forward-says-clifton-davies)

**Suzanne Davies, director of Clifton Davies Consultancy Limited, updates readers on considerations around BST trading on 31 March.**

I warned in my [Legal Page](#) (<http://flickread.com/edition/html/5c57f811e4421#18>) article in the February edition of Pub & Bar magazine that spring was coming. Recent weather conditions have given a hint that it's definitely on its way!



However, what spring also brings is the start of British Summer Time. Or, to give it its more formal title, the start of Daylight Saving Time, which takes place at 1am on Sunday 31 March this year when the clocks leap forward one hour to 2am. In licensing terms though, this operates as the quid pro quo for the gain of an extra hour's trading by late-night licensed premises when the clocks fall back one hour again in October.

If you normally trade until 2am or later on Saturday nights, it's worth checking your premises licence or licences to see whether specific allowance is made to automatically extend your licensing hours for all relevant licensable activities on the night when British Summer Time starts.

If no such allowance is made, you will lose an hour's trading unless you get your skates on with submission of a Temporary Event Notice (TEN). The deadline for that, given the 10 clear working days' notice required, is Friday 15 March. If you don't manage that, you could use a Late TEN, for which the deadline would be Friday 22 March. However, do remember that you won't qualify for a TEN unless: (a) you are within your annual allowance of 15 TENs (or, as the case may be, 10 Late TENs) per year and (b) no more than 499 people, including staff (and performers if any) will be present in your premises at the time in question.

Spring is coming and summer is too!



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