



PORTARLINGTON DEMONS
FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB INC
Est. 1874

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Incorporated Association No A0018895G

CLUB ALCOHOL POLICY

APPENDIX A **2018 Version of the Club Constitution**

This policy aims to provide a basis for the responsible management of alcohol by the **Portarlington Demons Football Netball Club**.

The Club recognises the importance in holding a liquor licence in the value it adds to the Club, enabling it to generate income and hold social functions, but in doing so the club also accepts the responsibilities and expectations of the community in strictly adhering to the liquor licensing laws.

To ensure the aims of the Club are upheld, and that alcohol is managed responsibly by the Club and its members, the following requirements will apply when alcohol is served at the club or during a Club function.

Serving Alcohol

Alcohol will be served according to the requirements of the Club's liquor licence and in accordance with the safety and wellbeing of patrons.

- One trained server will be in attendance while alcohol is being served in the Club.
- The Club will discourage excessive or rapid consumption of alcohol
- Alcoholic drinks will be served in standard drink measures
- The Club will display posters on blood alcohol content and the ways alcohol affects the body
- The liquor licence will be displayed at the bar

Intoxicated patrons

Alcohol will not be served to any person who is intoxicated

- Servers will follow procedures, provided in their training by the liquor Licensing Commission, for dealing with and refusing alcohol to intoxicated patrons.
- Intoxicated patrons will be asked to leave the Club
- The Club will encourage safe transport options

Underage drinking

- Alcohol will not be served to minors
- Staff will request proof of age, where appropriate
- Only photographic ID will be accepted

Safe transport

- The Club will prominently display taxi phone numbers.
- Club members and bar staff will encourage intoxicated patrons to take safe transport home.

Alcohol into Home Match Days

Bringing alcohol into the ground at home match days is strictly prohibited.

The Club will display signs at ground entry gates advising members and visitors of this policy. It also reserves the right to open car boots before entry to the ground is permitted on match days

Low alcohol and alcohol-free drinks

The club will provide a selection of low-cost, low-alcohol and alcohol-free drinks at the bar.

- Free jugs of water will be placed at the bar
- A range of low-alcohol and non-alcoholic drinks will be actively promoted and sold at prices competitive with those of full-strength alcoholic drinks.
- Tea and coffee will be available at the bar during social functions.

Provision of food

The Club will actively promote and provide a range of snacks at all times and meals as often as possible when alcohol is served. The Club will use food or canteen awards rather than alcohol as prizes for player performance

Promoting the responsible use of alcohol

The Club will:

- Actively demonstrate its attitude relating to the responsible use of alcohol
- Not advertise, promote or serve alcohol at junior events or activities
- Educate club members and supporters about the alcohol policy
- Pursue non-alcohol sponsorship and revenue sources
- Provide alcohol-free social events for young people and families
- Ensure alcohol advertising will only appear at the bar

- Not promote alcohol through “cheap drink” strategies, such as happy hours
- Not serve alcohol during any junior game or on days when juniors are solely involved until at least 15 minutes after all games are competed
- Not serve alcohol during any official meeting of the club.

All Club Committee members will enforce the alcohol management policy and any noncompliance, particularly in regard to *Liquor Control Reform Act* will be handled according to the following process:

1. Explanation of the Club policy to the person/people concerned, including identification of the section of policy not being complied with.
2. Continued non-compliance with the policy should be handled by at least two Committee members who will use their discretion as to the action taken, which may include asking the person/people to leave the Club facilities or function.

Policy Review

To ensure this policy continues to be relevant for Club operation and that it reflects both community expectations and the provisions of the Liquor Control Reform Act, the policy will be reviewed annually.