



RESPONSIBLE ALCOHOL MANAGEMENT POLICY

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1. OUR COMMITMENT

The Australian Bowhunters Association Inc - Northern Territory Branch (ABA-NT) is committed to conducting sporting and social events in a manner that promotes the responsible service and consumption of alcohol. We also recommend that member clubs follow strict guidelines regarding the service and consumption of alcohol.

ABA-NT takes seriously any inappropriate behaviour that results from excessive drinking.

ABA-NT will not endorse or support events that involve excessive consumption of alcohol.

2. WHAT WE WILL DO

1. Selling Alcohol

Alcohol will only be sold in compliance with the requirements of a liquor licence and in accordance with the safety and wellbeing of patrons.

- Only trained servers will be permitted to serve alcohol. They are not permitted to drink while serving alcohol.
- The liquor licence will be displayed at the bar.
- Excessive or rapid consumption of alcohol will be discouraged.
- A person aged under 18 will not be permitted to be behind the bar under any circumstances.
- Food and low-alcohol and non-alcoholic drinks will be available at events we hold or endorse where alcohol is sold.
- Safe transport options will be promoted as part of any event we hold or endorse where alcohol is served.
- A Branch committee member will be present at events we hold or endorse where alcohol is sold to ensure appropriate practices are followed.



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2.2 Consumption of Alcohol

- Persons are allowed to bring their own alcohol to Branch events; however no alcohol shall be consumed until the competition has concluded.
- Excessive or rapid consumption of alcohol will be discouraged.
- A person aged under 18 will not be permitted to be consume alcohol under any circumstances.
- A committee member will be present at events we hold or endorse where alcohol is consumed to ensure appropriate practices are followed.

2.3 Intoxicated patrons

- Alcohol will not be served to any person who is intoxicated. Signs of intoxication include slurred speech, impaired balance, poor coordination, reduced inhibition, aggressive, belligerent and disrespectful behaviour.
- 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. Safe travel options will be suggested.

2.4 Underage drinking

- People aged under 18 will not knowingly be served alcohol.
- Staff will request proof of age, where appropriate, and only photo ID will be accepted.

2.5 Food and other drinks

- A range of snacks and meals will be available when alcohol is served.
- The Branch will provide a selection of alcohol-free drinks, such as fruit juice and soft drink, at Branch events. Free tap water will also be available. When a club is hosting a Branch event, the Branch will ensure that the host club provides a selection of alcohol-free drinks, such as fruit juice and soft drink, at the Branch event, and that free tap water is available.

3. WHAT WE ASK MEMBERS TO DO



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All members and sporting personnel are required to comply with the following.

- Drink and behave responsibly at all Branch events.
- Not supply alcohol to others if they are aged under 18.
- Not drink alcohol until competitions are concluded (this applies to all spectators, participants, officials and volunteers).
- Not encourage others to drink alcohol excessively.
- Not spike another person's drink.

4. NON-COMPLIANCE

The ABA-NT will take action for breaches of behaviour and responsibilities outlined in this policy.

- If any persons consume alcohol at Branch events before the conclusion of competition, they will be asked to stop immediately by the Shoot Director. Ongoing consumption after the initial warning will result in the person being asked to leave the premises immediately.
- If any persons become drunk at Branch events they will be asked to leave. Ongoing instances of intoxication can result in disciplinary action (e.g. suspension or termination of membership).
- Spiking of drinks is a criminal offence that can be reported to police by victims. It can lead to serious police charges being laid against the offender/s. Separate action can be taken as a breach of our state sporting organisation's and our club's Member Protection Policy to provide for the protection, safety and welfare of members.
- Serving alcohol to a minor is a criminal offence that can be reported to the police and the relevant liquor licensing authority by victims and their parents. It can lead to heavy fines. Separate disciplinary action, as outlined in the ABA-NT's Member Protection Policy, may also be taken.
- Any person aged under 18 found to have consumed alcohol while at a Branch event may be suspended for the remainder of the competition. The young person's parents shall be advised and will be responsible for getting their son/daughter home at their own expense.
- Any member or sporting personnel found to have behaved inappropriately because of over-consumption of alcohol (e.g. sexual harassment, verbal abuse, physical assault, and neglect of a child) will face disciplinary action as outlined in the ABA-NT's Member Protection Policy.



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