

Alcohol Management Policy

Aim

The aims of this policy are:

- To set out the requirements for the service of alcohol at AUSC events; and
- To promote the responsible use of alcohol by AUSC members.

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1 Background

Adelaide University Scuba Diving Club (AUSC) is committed to maintaining and promoting, a healthy and responsible attitude to towards the promotion, service and consumption of alcohol by its members, and others involved with AUSC. The club will comply with the *Liquor Licensing Act 1997* in South Australia, which regulates and controls the sale, supply and consumption of liquor.

This policy outlines AUSC expectations of behaviour for all members including staff, coaches, officials, parents and players.

In becoming involved with AUSC, you agree to abide by this policy and understand that any breaches of this policy will result in AUSC taking disciplinary action.

AUSC will also support any disciplinary measures applied by AU Sport, the University of Adelaide, Australian University Sport or any State Sporting Organisation for breaches in their Alcohol Policies by an AUSC member.

2 Revision

This policy is to be maintained and reviewed by the AUSC Committee.

3 Application

This policy applies to all members, administrators, officials, coaches, players, spectators and volunteers of AUSC.

4 Service of alcohol

- It is the responsibility of the Event Organiser to obtain a liquor licence, if required.
- The Event Organiser will ensure that any liquor licence is in order and clearly displayed.
- Alcohol will be served according to the requirements of any liquor licence obtained and in accordance with the safety and well being of patrons.
- Wherever alcoholic beverages are served, there must also be a range of low-alcohol and non-alcoholic beverages available. Water must also be freely provided.
- Wherever alcoholic beverages are served, there must also be food available for purchase.
- Alcohol will not be served or present at a venue where it is prohibited.

5 Service of alcohol to minors

- Alcohol should not be served to or by people under 18 years of age.
- Proof of age may be needed before alcohol is served.
- Only appropriate photographic ID is to be accepted.

6 Service of alcohol to 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, aggressiveness 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 persons will be asked to leave the venue. Safe travel options suggested.

7 Service of alcohol to divers or competition players

- There is recognition that alcohol impairs the judgment of players.
- Alcohol is not to be served to divers, or consumed by divers on the same day prior to a dive event.
- For underwater hockey or underwater rugby players, alcohol is not to be served to a player prior to the completion of games for the day for that player.

8 Promoting the responsible use of alcohol

- AUSC discourages excessive or rapid consumption of alcohol.
- AUSC encourages members to use safe transport options after the consumption of alcohol.
- AUSC will actively demonstrate its attitude relating to the responsible use of alcohol.
- AUSC will not advertise, promote or serve alcohol at junior events or activities.

9 Non-compliance with this policy

- If members or sporting personnel become drunk at events, they will be asked to leave. Ongoing instances of intoxication will be breach of *AUSC Code of Conduct* and can result in disciplinary action.
- If members consume alcohol before they participate in an AUSC event, they will be asked to not participate in the remainder of the event, they will not be covered by insurance and will be in breach of *AUSC Code of Conduct* and can result in further disciplinary action.
- If a scuba diver or competition player has been consuming alcohol before taking part in the activity, and have been informed by an appropriate AUSC authority that they are not to participate, but continue to do so, they are putting themselves and other players at risk of injury. This is a breach of the *AUSC Code of Conduct* and will result in further disciplinary action.
- Serving alcohol to a minor is a criminal offence and can be reported to the police and the relevant liquor licensing authority. It can lead to heavy fines. Separate action can be taken as a breach of *AUSC Member Protection Policy* to provide protection, safety and welfare of children.
- Any person aged under 18 found to have consumed alcohol while at an event may be suspended for the remainder of the event. The young person's parents shall be advised and will be responsible for getting their child home at their own expense.
- Any member found to have behaved inappropriately because of an over-consumption of alcohol (e.g. sexual harassment, verbal abuse, physical assault) will face disciplinary action as outlined in *AUSC Member Protection Policy*.

10 References

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11 Document control

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