



LICENSING AND REGULATION

Knowing Your Responsibilities As Holder Of A Special Liquor Licence

The holder of a special liquor licence (the licensee) is responsible for providing a safe environment for the people attending your function. This includes minimising harm in relation to the sale and consumption of liquor by providing light or non alcoholic alternatives, food and/or entertainment. The licensee must comply with the Liquor Act and may be liable for offences that include, but are not limited to:

- Sale of liquor to an intoxicated person or permitting an intoxicated person to remain on licensed premises.
- Sale of liquor to a minor (under 18).
- Sale of adulterated liquor.
- Permitting riotous conduct on or at licensed premises.

Conditions of Special Liquor Licences must be complied with. Some standard conditions require that:

- There are sufficient quantities of low alcohol beverage, soft drinks and water available to meet customer requirements.
- Persons under the age of 18 years must not be involved in the sale or supply of liquor.
- All liquor must be sold in open containers.
- The licensee shall not, permit any thing whatsoever upon the licensed premises which may cause the annoyance, nuisance, grievance or disturbance of the occupiers of the adjoining properties or the residential neighbourhood.
- The licensee shall provide adequate security.
- The licensee shall comply with the requirements of a licensing inspector, police and fire officers.

Additional conditions may include:

- The sale of liquor at events where children and minors are the primary focus is to be restricted to two hours late in the afternoon during daytime events. Only light beer and wine are to be available, and snacks are to be provided. No spirits or premixed drinks are allowed.
- The licensee must obtain a responsible service of alcohol certificate.
- Where the event is held in a public restricted area, permission to hold the function has been obtained from the owner/controller of the area and the grant of this licence is an authority for adult guests and participants of the function to consume liquor whilst within the approved boundary of the function and the terms of the licence

Licences may be suspended or cancelled or penalties may be imposed for breaches of either, the Liquor Act, the Code of Conduct or licence conditions.

A licensee may also be subject to civil liability for any injury or damage sustained by a patron who is or becomes intoxicated within the licensed premises. This liability may extend to injury or damage sustained after the patron has left the licensed premises.

For further information contact your nearest Licensing and Regulation office.

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