

LICENSING, REGULATION AND ALCOHOL STRATEGY

How to Apply for Your Home, Business or Workplace to be Restricted

Residents and organisations have the power to have their homes, workplace, schools, shopping centres, churches etc declared “dry”.

If you don't want people drinking liquor in your home, workplace, club, school, church or you're concerned about alcohol-related problems when someone brings alcohol onto your land, you can apply to have the area declared “dry” and offenders can be penalised.

Who Can Apply

- The owner or occupier of the premises (including a tenant), or their representative.
- An interested person (for premises that are open to and used by the public).
- A business person who wants to protect their business property.
- A community-based organisation or group whose activities are connected with or are relevant to the area they want “dry”.
- A police officer.

But only the owner or occupier of a private home can apply for a declaration.

How to Apply

Download an application form from www.justice.nt.gov.au/licensing or contact Licensing and Regulation and ask for a form. NT police stations and Territory Housing also have forms.

The form asks you for relevant address and contact information, a description of the premises or place to be declared “dry”, reasons for why the restriction is being sought. If you are not the owner of the premises you must also give information about the owner, and whether they have been told about your intention to make an application.

The Licensing Commission (which issues the declaration) may also ask for additional info from you or your representative.

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Once a Premises is Restricted and Penalties

Signage is attached to the front of the premises declaring it alcohol free. Drinking or possessing liquor at the premises is an offence and police may be called.

Police may seize any opened or unopened containers of liquor; issue an on-the-spot fine of \$100.

Police may also enter and search the premises and people at the premises without a warrant if they have reasonable belief that the declaration has been contravened.

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Other fact sheets available:

Alice Springs Liquor Supply Plan

Drinking in public in Alice Springs - what you need to know

- Fact Sheet – Declared Restricted Areas
- Fact Sheet – Events and functions in Alice Springs
- Fact Sheet – Background to the Licensing Commission Decision
- Fact Sheet – Penalties
- Fact Sheet – Photo ID System
- Fact Sheet – Photo ID System – Q&As for Licensees
- Fact Sheet – How to get Photo ID

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