



Alcohol in Darwin – events, functions and festivals

From 19 May 2008, no-one can drink alcohol in the declared public restricted (dry) areas that cover the Esplanade in the Darwin CBD and parts of Nightcliff, Rapid Creek and Coconut Grove. Maps of the restricted areas are shown in fact sheet 1 “Drinking in public in Darwin”.

However, alcohol can still be consumed at special events, functions and festivals including weddings, with a special event permit.

Special Event Permits

For a special event held in a ‘dry’ area, the organisers can apply to the Licensing Commission for a permit that allows adults to drink alcohol during the event.

Applications must be lodged at least seven (7) working days prior to the event.

Special event permits are not required to consume alcohol along the area of the Nightcliff foreshore between Aralia Street and Chapman Road, between the hours of Monday to Friday, 4pm to 10.30pm, and weekends and public holidays, 12 noon to 10.30pm. Refer to fact sheet 1 “Drinking in public in Darwin” for more information.

Application forms are available from:

Licensing and Regulation
Department of Justice
Enterprise House, Cnr Woods
and Knuckey Sts, DARWIN
PO Box 1154
Darwin NT 0801
Phone (08) 8999 1800
Fax (08) 8999 1888

Darwin City Council
Civic Centre
Harry Chan Avenue
PO Box
DARWIN NT 0801
Phone: (08) 8930 0556
Fax: (08) 8930 0643

For more information call Licensing and Regulation, Department of Justice on 8999 1800 or visit www.nt.gov.au/justice/licenreg

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Other fact sheets available:

Drinking in public in Darwin