

Club Form

Alcohol Management Policy

HEALESVILLE TENNIS CLUB

This policy provides the basis for the responsible use of alcohol by the Healesville Tennis Club and is seen as fundamental to the aims of the club.

The HTC currently holds a BYO Permit that authorises the consumption, possession and control of liquor at the club. The BYO permit allows the club and/or its members to bring their own alcohol to club functions, and prohibits the club from selling alcohol in any circumstances.

The club recognises the importance of holding a BYO permit and the value it adds to the club, but in doing so the club also accepts the responsibilities and expectations of the community in adhering to liquor licensing laws and the criteria of the *Good Sports* program.

To ensure the aims of the club are upheld and that alcohol is managed responsibly by the club and its members, the following requirements will apply when alcohol is consumed at the club.

Consumption of Alcohol

Alcohol will be consumed according to the legal and moral requirements of the club's Liquor Licence with the safety and wellbeing of patrons as the priority.

- The club maintains a current appropriate B.Y.O permit.
- Consumption of Alcohol only during times indicated on the club's B.Y.O. permit.
- The club does not encourage excessive or rapid consumption of alcohol
- The club's B.Y.O. permit and appropriate signage will be displayed at the bar
- Names of RSA trained members will be displayed
- An incident register shall be maintained and any incident recorded
- No Alcohol is to be stored on the premises.
- Members represent the Healesville Tennis Club whenever engaged in tennis organised through the Healesville Tennis Club and as such should demonstrate responsible consumption of alcohol and the principles as laid out in this policy.

Intoxicated Patrons

- Intoxicated or drunk patrons can be asked to stop consuming alcohol, and/or leave the premises.

Underage Drinking

- Alcohol will not be consumed by persons aged under 18
- Servers and committee members will ask for proof of age whenever necessary or whenever in doubt
- Only photo ID's will be accepted as 'proof of age'

Alcohol Alternatives

The club recognises that alcohol is not a revenue stream for the club. Further, the club commits to the following:

- Tap water is provided free of charge
- The club encourages availability of food whilst patrons consume alcohol
- The club will avoid player prizes and raffle prizes that have an emphasis on alcohol

Non Compliance

All club committee members will enforce the alcohol management policy and any non-compliance, particularly in relation to Licencing Laws and will be handled according to the following process:

- Explanation of the club policy to the person(s) concerned, including identification of the section of policy not being complied with, and
- Continued non-compliance with the policy should be handled by at least two committee members who will use their discretion as to the action taken, which may include asking the person(s) to leave the club facilities or function

The club will monitor and ensure any away fixtures and/or club trips strictly adhere to responsible behaviour and alcohol consumption in accordance with the principles of this policy and the aims off the clubs Mission and Value Statement.

Committee Policy Management

The presence of committee members is essential to ensure the safe consumption of alcohol and compliance with this policy. At least one committee members who is RSA trained is required to be present at all club functions where alcohol is consumed.

Key responsibilities of the duty committee members are to:

- Ensure intoxicated people are not consuming alcohol and are asked to leave the premises when deemed appropriate,
- Meet visiting police, cooperate and assist with any inquiries,
- Compliance in respect of persons under 18 years of age on premises,
- Recording any incidents in the incident register, and
- Ensuring strict compliance with all sections of this club policy in accordance with key provisions of the Liquor Control Reform Act and the *Good Sports* program.

Policy Promotion

The Club will promote the alcohol management policy regularly by:

- Putting a copy of the policy in club communications, eg. newsletters, website and printed member/ player information,
- Displaying a copy of the policy in the club social rooms, and
- Periodic announcements to members at functions.

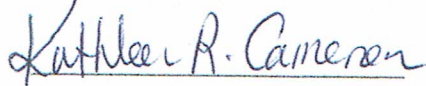
The Club recognises the importance of educating club members, particularly players, about the benefits of an alcohol management policy and will endeavour to provide information to assist this process.

The Club will actively participate in the Australian Drug Foundation's *Good Sports* program with an ongoing priority to maintain Level 3 accreditation.

Policy Review

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure it remains relevant to club operations and reflects both community expectations and the provisions of the Liquor Control Reform Act.

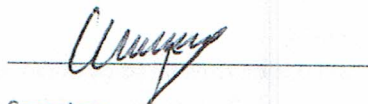
Signed:



Position: President

Date: 8 October 2018

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Position: Secretary

Date: 8 October 2018

Next policy review date is: December 2019

Related Policies:

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