

Cricket Southern Bayside – Alcohol Policy

Background

This policy highlights expectations specific to behaviour prior to play, during the hours of play, and at the cessation of play with regards to the consumption of alcohol.

This policy is relevant for all clubs that play within all Cricket Southern Bayside (CSB) competitions: the All Girls Cricket Competition (AGCC), Inner South East Cricket (ISEC), Cricket Southern Bayside Women's and Cricket Southern Bayside Men's.

CSB recognises that Clubs hold liquor licences, enabling them to generate income and hold social functions. In doing so however they accept the responsibilities and expectations of the community in adhering to liquor licencing laws and the criteria of the Good Sports program.

To ensure the conduct of those associated with a club are upheld and that alcohol is managed responsibly by the club and its members, CSB expectations are detailed below.

These expectations apply when alcohol is served at the club during the hours of play, or spectators/parents/players consume alcohol at venues/grounds away from the Clubrooms.

Alcohol Policy at Games:

Club officials and volunteers (i.e. Club Presidents, scorers, coaches, team managers, etc) officiating at a game, shall not consume alcohol before or during a game.

No spectators shall consume and / or bring their own alcohol to venues. The policing of this policy is the responsibility of the competing clubs.

As such, all alcohol consumed at games prior to the start of play, during the playing hours and after the game, must adhere to the **home club's policy, liquor licencing laws and local council regulations and by-laws.**

In addition to these requirements, it is expected:

- Clubs do not encourage excessive or rapid consumption of alcohol.
- Visiting teams must comply with the home team's alcohol policy, particularly if that includes zero alcohol at the ground.
- There is to be no drinking of alcohol during the game that would in anyway impact the players or umpire, or the safety of participants.

Code of Conduct

Cricket Southern Bayside has adopted all the provisions of the Victorian Code of Conduct for Community Sport, which applies to all Association sanctioned activities. Here is a link to this document [Code of Conduct \(clubhelp.org.au\)](http://clubhelp.org.au).

In addition the Codes of Behaviour as found in the CSB Member Protection By-Laws apply and are relevant for the purposes of this policy.



Policy Breaches

Any person, organisation or Club may advise CSB if there is a breach of this policy, Victorian Code of Conduct for Community Sport, or the CSB Member Protection By-Laws. They will advise CSB and the offending Club that they are believed to be in breach of the Policy and give that Competing Club the opportunity to address the issue.

Offenders will be required to leave the venue. Should the Competing Club in breach be unable to enforce compliance or refuse they will be called to meet with the relevant CSB Cricket Management Group (CMG) and the CSB Integrity Officer (the President, Secretary and Captain / Coach / Team Manager shall attend the meeting).

The CSB CMG and the CSB Integrity Officer may impose a fine and/or any other sanction upon the offending club.

A second failure to comply shall result in a loss of match points, a fine and/or any other sanction upon the offending club.

The extent of disciplinary action is at the discretion of CSB Integrity Officer and the CSB Board.

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