

DOCUMENT TYPE	Policy
TITLE	ALCOHOL MANAGEMENT
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PURPOSE

This policy describes conditions that apply to the service and consumption of alcohol on Shire property or in conjunction with supported events.

DEFINITIONS

Alcohol: Has the same meaning as is given to liquor in section 3 of the *Liquor Control Act 1988*.

Event and activities: An organised activity that is open to the public whether or not the public are participants or spectators. Public events are typically advertised. An event (as per Department of Health Guidelines for concerts, events and organised gatherings 2009): means a gathering of people brought together for a common purpose by some prearrangement. Events and activities can include changes to venue licensing hours (conditions) that coincide with an event as well as private functions, such as weddings, wakes or parties.

Shire Property: Land or buildings managed or operated by the Shire and which may be available for hire, which may include a road.

POLICY STATEMENTS

The Shire supports the responsible availability and consumption of alcohol in the community by:

- Encouraging responsible service of alcohol at licensed premises.
- Promoting safe levels of alcohol consumption.
- Supporting measures and changes to regulations that are targeted at addressing alcohol related harms.
- Preparing strategies collaboratively with liquor licence holders and relevant stakeholders.
- Engaging with the community on alcohol related matters.

The Shire will not take on responsibilities undertaken by State or Federal Government departments or Western Australia Police as those responsibilities relate to alcohol regulation, licensing and enforcement.

(1) CONSUMPTION AND/OR SALE OF ALCOHOL ON SHIRE PROPERTY OR IN ASSOCIATION WITH AN EVENT

With regard to approving the consumption and/or sale of alcohol on Shire Property, either in association with an event or a private function or in association with a change to venue licensing conditions, the following conditions apply:

- The Chief Executive Officer or delegate must be satisfied that any application or request to consume or sell alcohol will not cause disruption or nuisance to the community.
- A liquor licence or appropriate exemption where permissible. Exemptions can include BYO.

- Limits on hours, being:
 - Sunday to Thursday to 11pm
 - Friday and Saturday to midnight

(2) EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

The circumstances in which the Chief Executive Officer or delegate may consider as unlikely to cause disruption or nuisance to the community will be dependent upon first obtaining advice with regard to the:

- Nature of the event
- Number of people attending
- Quantity of alcohol that is proposed to be consumed
- On-site security
- Hours of operation
- Consideration for the movement of people away from the venue once the event is complete.
- Appropriate separation between alcohol consumption and children that may be present at the event.
- Views of Western Australia Police.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Strategy and policy with respect to broader alcohol management is reviewed and implemented by the Kununurra Wyndham Alcohol Accord. The Shire provides secretariat support to the Accord which includes elected members as representatives of the organisation.

RISK

Risk: Failure to develop appropriate, meaningful policies which enable the administration to perform in an effective and efficient way.

Control: Review policies and procedures in accordance with review schedule.

DOCUMENT AND VERSION CONTROL

Responsible Directorate	Planning and Community Development		
Responsible Officer	Manager Community Development		
Statutory References	<i>Liquor Control Act 1988</i> <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> <i>LL-3004 Property Local Law 2003</i> <i>LL-4000 Activities in Thoroughfares and Public Places and Trading Local Law 2005</i>		
Related Documents	Nil		
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