



Alcohol, Smoking and Vaping Policy

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Alcohol

Canberra Region Rugby League is committed to ensuring the delivery of sporting and social events in a manner that promotes and complies with relevant state and territory legislation for the Responsible Service and Consumption of Alcohol.

Canberra Region Rugby League recommends that all clubs follow strict guidelines regarding the service and consumption of alcohol.

In general, the Canberra Region Rugby League policy is that:

- a) It is illegal to supply alcohol to children and young people under the age of 18 years.
- b) Alcohol will not be available or consumed at events or fixtures involving children or young people under the age of 18 years.
- c) Alcohol free events will be promoted and made available to young people and families wherever reasonably possible.
- d) Food, low alcohol and alcohol free beverages will be available at events where alcohol is sold and served.
- e) Any individual believed at any stage to be under the influence of alcohol may be refused further service in line with state and territory legislation.

- f) A representative of Canberra Region Rugby League will be present, where possible at events held or endorsed by Canberra Region Rugby League where alcohol is served to ensure legislative requirements are being met and followed.
- g) Safe transport options will be promoted as a part of any event held or endorsed by Canberra Region Rugby League, where alcohol is served.

Canberra Region Rugby League and its Member Clubs may at any time choose not to supply alcohol at any event held or sanctioned by the organisation.

Smoking and Vaping

Canberra Region Rugby League actively promotes and endorses smoke free environments at events the organisation holds or endorses.

- a) It is illegal to supply children and young people under the age of 18 years with cigarettes or smoking paraphernalia.
- b) No smoking shall occur at or near sporting events that involve children or young people under the age of 18.
 - . This applies to coaches, athletes, trainers, volunteers and spectators.
- c) Social events are to be smoke free environments, with smoking permitted at designated outdoor areas.
- d) Coaches, athletes, officials and volunteers are to refrain from smoking and remain smoke free whilst in any official capacity.

Disciplinary Action

Any individual found to have been in breach of this policy may result in further action being sort in line with the prescribed processes as detailed in the CRRL Complaints, Disputes and Disciplinary Policy.