

## Liquor Licensing

Further to Circular 11/02 regarding the sale and supply of alcoholic beverages, we remind all clubs, associations, branches and affiliates that if liquor is to be sold at any event conducted by a club, association, branch or affiliate that a liquor licence is required to be held. This is State Government legislation and failure to comply can result in a maximum court penalty of \$5,500 (\$550 penalty notice) for the unlawful/unlicensed sale of liquor.

Regulations also require that the licensee of licensed premises together with anybody serving liquor, are to successfully complete an approved training course in the Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA Certificate). Alcohol cannot be served, supplied or sold without the recognised RSA certificates. Penalties can be imposed directly upon any person found to be serving, supplying or selling alcohol without an RSA certificate. Therefore RSA training is mandatory.

Liquor licenses are issued by the NSW Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing and in most cases a minimum period of six (6) to ten (10) weeks is required to enable reports to be prepared on a licence application.

Further information regarding the application process and RSA training can be obtained from the NSW Office of Liquor, Gaming & Racing.

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Football NSW endorses the Goodsports Program. For assistance with Liquor Licensing compliance visit the Goodsports website [www.goodsports.gov.au](http://www.goodsports.gov.au) or for more information phone Goodsports on 02 9972 3160.

## Alcohol At Youth League Matches

Reference is also made to Football NSW Regulation 10.10 (G) applicable to Youth League matches:

*"The sale, provision or consumption of alcohol is not permitted at any Youth League fixture under the control of Football NSW."*

*"Any club or associated person found guilty of the sale, provision or consumption of alcohol at any Youth League fixture shall be subject to such disciplinary action, fine or penalty as may be imposed by Football NSW."*

We seek the co-operation of clubs to ensure a responsible approach is taken at football venues for senior fixtures where alcohol is permitted.

It is our earnest desire to work with clubs. We have an obligation to make sure alcohol does not become an issue in inappropriate or anti-social behavior at senior level games. The sale of alcohol should not take place at any junior fixture.

Thank you in anticipation of your understanding and commitment in this area.