

Hawthorn Rowing Club

Safe Transport Policy

This policy outlines Hawthorn Rowing Club's procedures for safe transport after Club functions and events where alcohol may be consumed.

It complements the Club's Alcohol Management Policy and:

- Meets its duty of care in relation to the health and safety of our members, volunteers and visitors who attend regattas, Club events and functions.
- Upholds the reputation of our club, our sponsors and partners.
- Understands the risks associated with alcohol use and driving, and our role in minimising risk.
- Educates our members about standard drinks.

Where functions and events are conducted under the Club's Liquor Licence: Bar staff/ servers of alcohol will encourage members, volunteers and visitors to:

- Consume food while drinking alcohol at the club.
- Consume alcohol in moderation bearing in mind our commitment to the Good Sports program, its philosophies and policies.
- Make alternate safe transport arrangements if they are considered to be intoxicated or at risk of exceeding the legal limit (or consumed any alcohol at all if a probationary driver)
- Telephone calls will be made free of charge to arrange a taxi or other transport
- Contact telephone numbers for taxi services will be clearly displayed
- In specific cases, where a designated driver nominated by the club has accepted the responsibility to drive others home safely, the club will provide non alcoholic drinks and bar food free of charge
- Bar servers will be provided non alcoholic drinks & bar food free of charge by the club (only for club bar staff)
- Where available, club transport will be provided to/from events

Our club will:

- Educate members, volunteers and guests about our policy and the benefits of having such a policy.
- Implement strategies to create awareness of safe transport messages to club members (e.g. display standard drink posters/ cards to help patrons recognise what standard drinks are and the implications on drink driving).
- Ensure this policy is easily accessible and will promote it via our website, event publicity and announcements during functions.

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure it remains relevant to club operations and



reflects both community expectations and legal requirements.