



Australian Radio Yachting Association

Alcohol and Illicit Drugs Management Policy

1. Purpose

This policy has been created to ensure the Australian Radio Yachting Association (ARYA), and its member State Associations, meet their duty of care in relation to the health and safety of officials, volunteers, competitors and visitors who attend, and participate in, events, functions and other activities undertaken under the auspices of the ARYA or its member State Associations.

2. Scope

- 2.1 This policy applies at all events, functions, and other activities held for which the ARYA or its member State Associations are the organising authority. It represents the commitment to and responsibility of officials, volunteers, competitors, and visitors participating in those events, and recognises that alcohol and illicit drug use can lead to risk taking, unsafe, unacceptable and/or illegal behaviour.
- 2.2 The Notice of Race (NOR) for events held under the organising authority of the ARYA or its member State Association should reference this policy under Section 2 (Rules).

3. Policy

- 3.1 It is the responsibility of the ARYA, member State Associations, Hosting Clubs, officials, volunteers, and competitors to be aware of, and in compliance with, the laws and regulations relating to alcohol at an event's location.
- 3.2 The ARYA, member State Associations, officials, volunteers, and competitors shall adhere to the alcohol management policies of all licensed or permitted venues that are utilised for activities.
- 3.3 Entry fees for an event are not to be used, or able to be perceived as being used, for the procurement and provision of alcohol in violation of clauses 3.4 and 3.5 or any applicable laws and regulations.
- 3.4 Alcohol will not be made available by any party during an event's "Racing Times" as set out in the Notice of Race (NoR), or as modified by the Race Committee for that event.
- 3.5 Officials, volunteers, and competitors must not drink alcohol during an event's "Racing Times" as set out in the Notice of Race (NoR), or as modified by the Race Committee for that event.



3.6 Officials, volunteers, and competitors must not participate in an event if affected by alcohol or illicit drugs.

3.7 Whilst at an event, after sailing is completed for the day, officials, volunteers, competitors, and visitors shall:

- i) Accept responsibility for their own behaviour, take a responsible approach and use good judgment when alcohol is available whether at the event venue or on the journey to or from the event.
- ii) Encourage and assist others to use good judgment when alcohol is available.
- ii) Not allow people aged under 18 years to consume alcohol.
- iii) Not participate, pressure anyone or encourage excessive or rapid consumption of alcohol (including drinking competitions).

4. Breaches:

Non-compliance with this policy may result in the following:

- 4.1 An explanation of the policy to the person/people concerned, including identification of the section of policy not being complied with.
- 4.2 Repeated or ongoing non-compliance with the policy should be referred to the State Association and further to the ARYA with reference to Racing Rules of Sailing Rule 69.
- 4.3 A competitor in breach of this policy may be protested under Racing Rules of Sailing Rule 60.

5. Review:

This policy will be reviewed bi-annually to ensure it remains relevant to operations and reflects both community expectations and legal requirements.

6. Amendments

Amendments to this policy must be approved by a majority vote of the ARYA Committee