

## **Alcohol Policy**

Inverness Highland Games is a family friendly / friendly event. We welcome attendees to our event to have an enjoyable time. The safety, health and wellbeing of attendees are paramount. One way to ensure this is to encourage mindful alcohol consumption.

We will adhere to all relevant legislation, including the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 and the 5 core licensing objectives

- Preventing crime and disorder
- Securing public safety
- Preventing public nuisance
- Protecting and improving public health
- Protecting children and young people from harm

With this, we will ensure required training with alcohol vendors is completed.

We will operate the Challenge 25 scheme.

We will ensure free drinking water is available.

No alcohol can be taken into the arena by attendees.

There will be bins at the entrances in which alcohol can be disposed of.

Our bar will sell spirits, lagers, ales, ciders, wine and soft drinks in plastic containers in the appropriate measures.

This will be a cash and card machine facility at the bar.

The bar(s) opening hours will be 11am to 11pm

Any attempted illegitimate sales will be recorded. This includes the attempt to purchase alcohol for children and young people. This also includes attempting to buy alcohol for another adult who has been refused further sale of alcohol.

We recognise children want a childhood free from alcohol. We will also provide separate, alcohol-free areas for children, young people and families. We will also address issues where parents/carers use alcohol in excess.

If attendees excessively use alcohol and become ill, depressed or frightened we encourage them to go to a welfare / first aid area or ask a steward to direct to one of these facilities where they will receive help and support required.

Our staff and volunteers must present for work free from the effects of alcohol during working hours.

We will communicate our alcohol policy and alcohol messaging, as provided by NHS Highland Health Improvement team, in the following ways:

- Inverness Highland Games official website
- Signage at the event