



SPORTING CLAYS
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Sporting Clays Western Australia Inc.

ALCOHOL & ILLEGAL DRUGS POLICY

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Overview

Sporting Clays WA Alcohol and Illegal Drugs Policy has been introduced to support and promote the responsible consumption of alcohol and to address any inappropriate behaviour that results from alcohol consumption and the taking of in relation to our shooting events and the safe use of firearms.

Background

The negative effects of alcohol and associated behaviours have been widely publicised. Sport, in particular and especially sports that involve the use of firearms need to be aware of the serious negative impact the consumption of alcohol can have on our sport through sponsorship, celebration events and public perception. SCWA is taking responsibility to change old traditions and promote an environment where “responsible consumption of alcohol” is the accepted norm these days.

Policy Application

1. This policy applies to all SCWA members and all other people or organisations which by agreement or otherwise, are bound to comply with this policy (including Board members, administrators, volunteers and attendees at any events of SCWA.)
2. This policy applies to behaviour occurring during the course of SCWA business, activities, competitions and events, when the behaviour involves individuals associated with SCWA and which negatively effects relationships with SCWA.
3. Signs of intoxication include slurred speech, impaired balance, poor coordination, reduced inhibition, aggressive, belligerent and disrespectful behaviour.
4. No alcohol is permitted on the shooting circuit, no shooter will be permitted to shoot at the range when under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Alcohol will not be sold or dispensed until a shooter has completed shooting the advertised program for the day which includes all finals to complete the competition. If a competitor has consumed any alcohol they will not be allowed to compete.
5. All firearm holders are not to be intoxicated whilst in control of a firearm.
6. Excessive consumption of alcohol will not be tolerated during any competition.
7. The SCWA Firearms & Safety Officer and/or member club Range Officers shall have the authority to prevent any person from taking part in any competition or activity if in his or her opinion, that person is under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Responsibilities

SCWA’s role and contribution in making this policy work is to take all reasonable steps necessary to ensure that everyone in the organisation is aware of this policy.

This will be achieved by:

- including a copy of the Policy on the SCWA web site
- distributing the Policy to all Clubs
- notifying participants in all SCWA events that they will be required to comply with this policy.
- Informing all state team members to drink and behave responsibly at all functions, events whilst representing SCWA.
- Do not supply alcohol to team members if they are aged under 18.

Policy Statement

SCWA will take all complaints of excessive consumption of alcohol and intoxication seriously and will ensure they are dealt with promptly, sensitively and confidentially. Disciplinary action may be taken against a person who is found in breach of this policy, in accordance with the Complaints Management Procedure within our constitution.