



PONY CLUB
NORTHERN TERRITORY

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***Vision:** Pony Club in the NT creates a safe environment to have fun, stretch boundaries and make memories for all.*

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Safe Alcohol Consumption Policy

Note: The legal drinking age in Australia is 18 years. The consumption of alcohol under this age is a legal issue. Consumption of alcohol on certain premises requires a liquor license, including public grounds, this is a legal issue.

Rationale

The Pony Club Association of the Northern Territory (PCANT) is committed to providing a safe environment for every person involved in Pony Club activities. This policy applies to all members, administrators, officials, coaches, riders and visitors. In addition the Pony Club Australia, National Alcohol policy for National/International Riders, Coaches, Managers and or Chaperones should be read. It is found in the Member Protection Policy (<http://www.ponyclubaustralia.com.au/Resources/Policies>, Alcohol Policy: page 13)

Policy

Consuming alcohol whilst a Pony Club event is in process is not permissible for members, officials, parents or volunteers. This policy applies to any person who is engaged in a Pony Club activity within the Northern Territory, Interstate or International.

PCANT will not tolerate any breach of this policy and will investigate any reported inappropriate use of alcohol in Pony Club activities. Disciplinary action will be taken against a person who is found to be in breach of this policy.

1. Riding members involved in any Pony Club activity:

- Members who have not reached the legal age to consume alcohol, 18 years, are not permitted to consume alcohol
- Riders may consume alcohol discreetly within the constraints of this policy
- Any rider suspected to be under the influence of alcohol at any time during a Pony Club competition will be automatically disqualified from the competition on the grounds of breach of this approved policy. Such a decision will be made by the organising committee and should be based on duty of care

- Consumption of alcohol by riders, of legal drinking age, when representing Pony Club on International and National tours is permitted in moderation at any arranged official function
- Riding members, who are of legal drinking age in Australia and are representing Pony Club in any activity outside of Australia must check on the legal drinking age of the country they are visiting before partaking of any alcohol consumption as it may be illegal

2. Team Coaches, Chaperones

- Consumption of alcohol by Team Coaches and Chaperones is not encouraged. The consumption of alcohol during events is prohibited.
- If a minor is in the care of a parent or guardian the requirements of this policy relating to riders still apply.
- If a minor is in the care of a person other than a parent or guardian the requirements of this policy relating to riders still apply.

3. Other Pony Club Officials, Parents, Volunteers and Supporters

- Consumption of alcohol at Pony Club functions or activities is not encouraged. Sale of alcohol is not permitted during the running of events or competitions under Pony Club control which are attended by Pony Club members with their horses. Alcohol may be available at the end of the day's activities and with due regard to the safety and care of riders and their horses within legal boundaries in regards to licencing.
- Officials assisting with the organisation or conduct of a Pony Club activity must not consume alcohol during the conduct of the activity.