



# St Albans Football & Netball Club Drug & Alcohol Policy

## 1. Purpose

The **St Albans Football & Netball Club (SAFNC)** is committed to providing a safe, inclusive, and responsible environment for all members, players, officials, and visitors. This policy aligns with:

- **Victoria Police laws**
- **Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances Act 1981 (Vic)**
- **Liquor Control Reform Act 1998 (Vic)**
- **Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA) guidelines**

## 2. Drug Policy

- The **use, possession, distribution, or influence of illicit drugs** at SAFNC facilities, events, or activities is strictly prohibited.
- The club adheres to the **Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances Act 1981 (Vic)**, which prohibits the possession, use, and trafficking of illicit substances.
- **Breaches will be referred to Victoria Police**, and the individual may face disciplinary action, including suspension or expulsion.

## 3. Alcohol Policy

SAFNC follows **Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA) principles** and **Victorian liquor licensing laws** to ensure alcohol is consumed in a responsible and legal manner.

### 3.1 Licensing & Compliance

- Alcohol will only be served in accordance with **Liquor Control Reform Act 1998 (Vic)**.
- Only **RSA-certified personnel** will serve alcohol.
- Alcohol will **not be served** to minors (under 18), intoxicated persons, or those showing signs of aggressive or anti-social behavior.

### 3.2 Responsible Service Guidelines

- **Water** will be **freely available** at all club events where alcohol is served.
- The club **encourages safe consumption** and promotes alternative low-alcohol and non-alcoholic options.
- **"No BYO Alcohol"** policy applies—alcohol must only be purchased and consumed from club-licensed premises.
- Club events will have a **designated RSA supervisor** ensuring compliance with licensing laws.



## 4. Breaches & Consequences

- **Drug-related breaches** will result in immediate removal from the premises, potential police involvement, and club-imposed penalties.
- **Alcohol-related misconduct**, including intoxication, aggressive behavior, or underage drinking, may lead to **warnings, suspension, or expulsion** from the club.
- The club reserves the right to **refuse service** and **ban individuals** from purchasing alcohol at events.

## 5. Support & Education

SAFNC is committed to educating its members on the dangers of drug and alcohol misuse and provides support through:

- **Alcohol and Drug Foundation (ADF)** – [www.adf.org.au](http://www.adf.org.au)
- **DirectLine (Confidential Drug & Alcohol Support)** – **1800 888 236**
- **Victoria Police** – [www.police.vic.gov.au](http://www.police.vic.gov.au)

This policy will be **reviewed annually** to ensure compliance with updated **Victorian laws and regulations**.

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