



WESTON MOLONGLO FOOTBALL CLUB

Safe Transport Policy

Rationale

Weston Molonglo Football Club recognises that:

- It has a duty of care to all members and guests involved in club-related activities
- Mixing drugs (including prescription medication) with other drugs or alcohol can seriously affect the ability to drive safely
- Driving under the influence of alcohol and drugs is illegal and hazardous to individuals and the wider community
- Drink driving is one of the main causes of road deaths in Australia
- It takes one hour for each standard drink of alcohol consumed to be broken down by the liver
- It takes considerable time until a person can legally and safely drive home if they have consumed over the recommended levels of alcohol.

Accordingly, the following safe transport policy shall apply for all functions undertaken by the club that involve the serving and/or consumption of alcohol.

General

- Taxi vouchers (where available) and non-alcoholic drinks will be considered as part of raffle prizes and awards.

Club Functions

- The committee will canvas the need to pre-order taxis (where available) to arrive at the conclusion of the function.
- In specific cases, where a designated driver nominated by the club has accepted the responsibility to drive others home safely, the club will provide non alcoholic drinks and/or bar food free of charge or passengers will be encouraged to pay for these for their driver.
- Taxi company phone number(s) will be printed on the function invitation / flyers.
- The committee will advise attendees that the club is a *Good Sports* accredited club, communicate the safe transport options and regularly remind attendees to drink and behave responsibly.

Committee Members, Members, Players and Officials

Those attending club activities where they are planning on drinking alcohol are encouraged to:

- Make alternative transport arrangements to get to and from the activity safely.
- Plan ahead and arrange overnight accommodation.
- Share a taxi with friends.
- Catch public transport (where available).
- Ride with a driver who hasn't been drinking alcohol or taking drugs.

Policy Review

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

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Next policy review date is August 2015.