

Alcohol Policy

We recognise the need for social responsibility, and the fact that a large part of our commercial business is in selling alcohol on the premises. We have a responsibility to provide a safe and secure environment to our members and wider customer base, and it is a commercial strength that we do so.

An Alcohol Policy Panel has been established to ensure the Code of Practice is adopted, adhered to, and further developed. The panel is responsible for developing and reviewing the various policies. Reviews will take place at least annually, and following any major incident. The panel consists of:

- Chairman
- Premises & Assets Manager
- Bar Manager
- Welfare Officer

We recognise that we have a responsibility to consider issues under our control such as a drinks service policy, pricing, promotions and advertising.

- We will not sell spirits in quantities greater than a double normal serve measure in one glass
- We will not mix spirits in the same glass other than as part of cocktails
- We will not serve spirits into draught alcohol products
- We will not stock any product over 50% ABV

Staff are aware of their obligation not to serve those who appear to be excessively under the influence of alcohol. We will refuse service of alcoholic products to those who we suspect to have already drunk too much, and either ask them to leave the premises or encourage them to have a soft drink or water as appropriate, as stipulated under the Licensing Act. Free drinking water is available during opening hours.

We operate a Challenge 25 age verification policy. Anyone who appears to be under the age of 25 is asked to prove that they are over 18 (using either a passport, driving licence or Pass hologram card). This is a condition in the terms of our premises licence and any refusals of service are recorded in our log book.

Promotions

We will not condone, encourage or glamorise excessive drinking or drunkenness or encourage anti-social behaviour in our promotional material.

Minimum Tariff Policy

- Draught beer/lager/cider £1 per pint, 50p per half
- Spirits (25ml) £1
- Wine (175ml) £2, (Bottle) £7
- Bottled lager, cider, alcopops £1.50

Discouraging Drink Driving

A customer will not receive any advice to help them choose an alcoholic drink if the staff are aware that they are driving, and soft drinks will be recommended as there is no safe limit for driving while under the influence of alcohol and each person responds differently to the amount of alcohol that it takes to reach the legal drink drive limit. Our staff offer to ring taxis on customer's behalf.