

guidelines for the

# REGULATION OF ALCOHOL ON PUBLIC LAND

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Ballina Shire Council acknowledges that there is from time to time a problem with excessive consumption of alcohol in public places leading to anti-social behaviour, alcohol-related violence and damage to both private and public property in our community.

In order to assist the Police and respond to the community's requests to manage the problems associated with such behaviour, regulations on the consumption of alcohol in public places have been implemented in Ballina Shire.

## 1. Alcohol-Free Zones and Alcohol Prohibited areas

Ballina Shire has Alcohol-Free Zones in Ballina, Lennox Head, Wardell and Alstonville, and will continue to maintain these Alcohol-Free Zones (see attached maps).

To assist with the operation of the Alcohol-Free Zone in Lennox Head, Ross Park and the surrounding public reserve are designated as Alcohol Prohibited areas 24 hours a day, every day (see attached map).

Should Alcohol-Free Zones be required in other locations within the shire, consideration will be given to such requests and any comments from the NSW Police, and a report on such requests will be prepared for consideration by Council.

## 2. Sports fields and sporting events

All sports fields and surrounding reserves are Alcohol Prohibited areas. This declaration will make sporting events more family friendly. It will assist sports clubs in meeting their licensing obligations by ensuring the only alcohol that is consumed at a sporting event is purchased from the licensed bar and consumed in the licensed area.

## 3. Special events

On nominated days such as ANZAC Day, New Year's Eve, New Year's Day, Australia Day and during special events, Council may impose Alcohol Prohibition in a park or reserve where problems have been experienced, or to prevent the consumption of alcohol where it is not appropriate.



## 4. Further information

For further information, please refer to Council's **Alcohol Regulation on Public Land policy** and **relevant documentation**.

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5. Maps - Alcohol-Free Zones and Alcohol Prohibited Areas











