



FOOTBALL FEDERATION SA

Procedures and Policies

Subject:	Safe Transport Policy	Date Implemented	April 2019
	<i>This policy will be reviewed annually</i>	Date Amended	March 2019

1. Purpose

This policy outlines our procedures for safe transport after Football Federation SA (FFSA) conducted games, events, functions and other FFSA conducted activities including those where alcohol may be consumed. It represents FFSA's commitment to its players, volunteers and visitors, acknowledging the role that sporting clubs and associations play in building strong and healthy communities.

This policy will help to ensure FFSA:

- 1.1 Meets its duty of care in relation to the health and safety of our players, volunteers and visitors who attend any FFSA conducted games, special events, functions and other activities.
- 1.2 Upholds the reputation of FFSA, our sponsors and partners.
- 1.3 Understands the risks associated with alcohol use and driving, and our role in minimising risk.
- 1.4 Educates people about standard drinks.

FFSA commends this policy to all affiliated clubs and associations and whilst recognising the autonomy of the affiliated clubs and associations, recommends that it be adopted by them.

2. Rationale

Prioritising the safety of players, visitors and guests getting to and from FFSA conducted games, activities and events is an important part of being a responsible, healthy association.

FFSA has adopted its Alcohol Management Policy and it notes the recommendation by the National Health and Medical Research Council. FFSA encourages people to plan safe transport home.

FFSA recognises sporting clubs and associations can help prevent drink driving related accidents in the community by improving safety around transport and minimising the risk of developing a drinking culture.

3. Transport

This safe transport policy applies to all activities undertaken by the FFSA that involve the serving and/or consumption of alcohol.

FFSA will:

- 3.1 Promote strategies that encourage people to plan how they will get home safely before they go out eg: pre-arranged transport.
- 3.2 Print safe transport messages on relevant FFSA activity and event invitations or flyers.
- 3.3 Ensure the MC for FFSA events communicates the safe transport options and regularly reminds attendees to behave responsibly around alcohol.
- 3.4 Provide assistance in the ordering of taxis and/or encourage people to utilise a ride share service.
- 3.5 Inform all FFSA coaches and team managers that they are not to transport children under the age of 15 without prior arranged approval from the child's parent or guardian

4. Promotion of Low Alcohol and Non-Alcoholic Drinks

FFSA will promote low alcohol and non-alcoholic drinks as options. Bar staff/ servers of alcohol will encourage people to:

- 4.1 Consume food while drinking alcohol.
- 4.2 Consume alcohol in moderation.
- 4.3 Make alternate safe transport arrangements if they are considered to be intoxicated or at risk of exceeding the legal limit (eg: free call to a taxi/friend/family).

5. Conduct Expectations

Whilst engaging in FFSA conducted activities, people will:

- 5.1 Accept responsibility for their own behaviour, use good judgment and take a responsible approach towards alcohol consumption.
- 5.2 Encourage and assist others to use good judgment regarding alcohol consumption.
- 5.3 Make alternative transport arrangements to get to and from the activity safely.
- 5.4 Share a taxi or ride share (where available) with friends.
- 5.5 Consider arranging overnight accommodation.

6. Promoting this Policy

FFSA will:

- 6.1 Educate its affiliated clubs and associations about our policy and the benefits of having such a policy.
- 6.2 Implement strategies to create awareness of safe transport messages (e.g. display standard drink posters/ cards to help patrons recognise what standard drinks are and the implications on drink driving).
- 6.3 Ensure this policy is easily accessible and will promote it via our website, newsletters, social media, announcements during events and functions.

7. Policy Review

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

Signatures:

Signed: 
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Date: 27 March 2019

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Next policy review date is: 27 March 2020

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