

# Policy on Alcohol Consumption



<b>Rationale</b>	GirlGuiding New Zealand must accept responsibility for the use and consumption of alcohol within the Association.
<b>Purposes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To outline expectation for the consumption of alcohol by members before and/or during events.</li> <li>To keep within the legislation affecting the sale, supply and use of liquor (according to the Sale of Liquor Act).</li> </ul>
<b>Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The consumption of alcohol is prohibited at all GirlGuiding New Zealand girl activities, girl camps and girl events.</li> <li>The consumption of alcohol is prohibited in GirlGuiding New Zealand overseas contingents where there are girl members.</li> <li>Mature and responsible attitudes should be displayed by those wishing to consume alcohol at adult member events or as part of adult member only contingents. Moderation and common sense must prevail at all times.</li> <li>Issues relating to behaviour, impaired judgement, the safety of others and ability to act correctly in an emergency should be matters of paramount concern when alcohol is consumed.</li> <li>No member under the age of 18 years may consume alcohol while representing GirlGuiding New Zealand in any capacity.</li> <li>No member under the age of 18 years may serve alcohol at any GirlGuiding New Zealand occasion.</li> <li>If girls are present at a GirlGuiding New Zealand event for adults, then the adults responsible for the care and safety of the girls must not consume any alcohol during the duration of the event.</li> <li>Members must at all times, be fit to perform duties and responsibilities as required by GirlGuiding New Zealand.</li> <li>If alcohol is served at a GirlGuiding New Zealand occasion, non-alcoholic drinks must be available so that every person has a choice.</li> </ul>
<b>Actions when alcohol is found at a girl camp or event</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An investigation will be undertaken and could result in the withdrawal of a member's appointment.</li> <li>If alcohol is found on site at any girl camp or event it will immediately be confiscated and destroyed.</li> </ul>
<b>Conclusion</b>	GirlGuiding New Zealand expects its members to comply with New Zealand law in this matter.
<b>Date of policy</b>	2006
<b>Last reviewed</b>	May 2016