

Office of Liquor and Gaming Regulation

Information for small regional shows

'Eligible associations' conducting small regional shows generally no longer have to apply for a community liquor permit to sell alcohol at a fundraising event.

Qualifying as a small regional show

Your event qualifies as a small regional show if:

- the show or exhibition is conducted by a member of the Queensland Chamber of Agricultural Societies, and
- the show or exhibition is the society's primary annual event, and
- the estimated number of members of the public expected to attend the show or exhibition does not exceed 2000 per day, and
- liquor is sold at the show or exhibition during a period of no more than 14 consecutive hours, and
- the duration of the show or exhibition does not exceed 3 consecutive days.

Do I need a community liquor permit?

If the event is conducted by an eligible association and you answer 'yes' to each of the following questions, a liquor permit is not required:

- | Y | N | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | are all net proceeds used for the benefit of the community? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | is the supply of liquor between 7 am and midnight and secondary to the fundraising event? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | is the event a small regional show? |

Is my association eligible?

An association is an eligible association if it is a non-profit entity for the event and you answer 'no' to each of the following questions.

- | Y | N | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | has the entity or an executive officer been given a non-compliance notice under Section 14(C)(3) of the Liquor Act in the last 6 months? |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | is / was the entity or an executive officer a licensee or permittee who, within the last 5 years, has: |
| | | - been given an urgent suspension notice under the Liquor Act? or |
| | | - been convicted of a breach of sections 148A(2), 148A(4), 156 or 169(1) of the Liquor Act? or |
| | | - breached a condition of a licence or permit regarding minimising alcohol related disturbances or public disorder? |

It should be noted that an eligible association does not have to be incorporated, nor does it have to be registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission.

However, an association is **not** an eligible association if:

- it is a criminal organisation under the *Criminal Organisation Act 2009*, or
- the entity or executive officer is disqualified from holding a licence under the Liquor Act.

Do exempt events have any restrictions placed on them?

Yes. Although a community liquor permit is not required, the following restrictions apply to exempt events:

- liquor must be sold by an adult, in an open container and for consumption at the event
- the entity must ensure the sale of liquor does not create an unsafe environment at the event
- liquor must not be sold or supplied in a way that encourages rapid or excessive consumption, and
- liquor must not be sold or supplied to minors or patrons who are unduly intoxicated or disorderly.

Further information

A helpful guide for planning and conducting events such as small regional shows can be found at www.business.qld.gov.au/liquor-gaming or phone 13 QGOV (13 74 68) for further information.