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### **BYO Alcohol Policy**

# **INITIATION NYE Festival 24/25**

### **Purpose:**

This policy outlines the guidelines for the "Bring Your Own Alcohol" (BYO) practice at the INITIATION NYE Festival 24/25. It aims to promote responsible drinking while ensuring a safe environment for all attendees, staff, and stakeholders. This policy also informs insurers about the risk management measures in place concerning alcohol consumption at the event.

## **Overview:**

- The festival spans **5 days** and operates on a **no pass-outs policy**, meaning guests must bring all alcohol they intend to consume upon entry.
- Guests are not permitted to leave and re-enter the festival site once admitted, except in emergencies.
- The festival is **not licensed** to sell alcohol, and no alcohol will be provided or sold by the organizers.
- To promote responsible drinking, each guest is allowed to bring a **reasonable amount of alcohol** into the event, as detailed below.

## **Alcohol Limits Per Guest**

- 1. **Beer:** 
  - Guests may bring up to **24 cans (1 slab)** of beer (375 ml each).
  - This provides approximately 4-5 beers per day for the duration of the festival.
- 2. Distilled Spirits (e.g., Vodka, Rum, Whisky):
  - Guests may bring up to **1 bottle (750 ml)** of distilled spirits.
  - A standard bottle contains approximately 17 standard drinks, allowing for 3-4 standard drinks per day.
- 3. Ready-to-Drink Mixes (RTDs) / Wine:
  - **RTDs**: Guests may bring up to **12 pre-mixed cans** (375 ml each).
  - Wine: Guests may bring up to 2 bottles of wine (750 ml each).
  - These limits provide moderate consumption of 1-2 glasses of wine or 2-4 pre-mixed drinks per day.

## **Enforcement and Monitoring**

- **Entry Checks**: All guests will be subject to a check upon entry to ensure they adhere to the alcohol limits outlined in this policy.
- **Security**: Trained security personnel will monitor compliance throughout the event, especially near campsites and the river area.
- **Responsible Drinking Messaging**: Educational materials promoting responsible drinking will be shared with all guests prior to the event via email and upon entry.
- **Medical Assistance**: On-site medical teams will be available to address any alcohol-related health issues or emergencies.

## Prohibited Items and Behavior

- Glass Containers: For safety reasons, no glass containers are allowed on-site.
- Excessive Quantities: Any quantities of alcohol exceeding the policy limits will be confiscated upon entry.
- **Illegal Substances**: The possession or use of illegal substances is strictly prohibited and will result in removal from the event.