# MALENY SHOWGROUNDS - DRUGS AND ALCOHOL ABUSE DISCOURAGEMENT POLICY.

Effective Date: October 2025

Applies to: All visitors, staff/volunteers and contractors. (shall be referred to furthermore in this document as "visitors")
This policy is available to all on the Maleny Show Society website: www.malenyshowsociety.org.au

**Scope:** This policy applies to all individuals at the Maleny Showgrounds, including but not limited to:

- Visitors
- Staff/volunteers
- Contractors

## 1. Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to maintain a safe, welcoming, and family-friendly environment at the Maleny Showgrounds by discouraging the misuse of alcohol and the use of illicit drugs. This policy ensures the comfort, safety and wellbeing of all visitors and aligns with local laws and community standards.

#### 2. Policy Statement

The Maleny Showgrounds prohibits:

- The use, possession, distribution or sale of illicit drugs on showground property.
- The misuse of alcohol that results in disorderly, unsafe or disruptive behaviour.
- Consumption of alcohol in shared, public, or communal areas without prior permission from Showgrounds management.
- The use of drugs or alcohol by anyone under the age of 18
- Visitors are expected to conduct themselves responsibly and respectfully at all times.

## 3. Legal Compliance

All visitors must comply with:

- Queensland laws regarding the use and possession of alcohol and drugs
- Local council regulations applicable to public events and showgrounds

Illicit drug use or alcohol abuse that violates the law will be reported to the local authorities immediately.

#### 4. Management Rights

Showgrounds management reserves the right to:

- Ask any person engaging in drug use or alcohol related conduct to leave the premises immediately without a refund
- Refuse entry to individuals appearing intoxicated or under the influence of drugs
- · Involve law enforcement where necessary.

## 5. Safety and Reporting

All visitors are encouraged to report any behaviour that compromises the safety or wellbeing of others. Reports can be made to the Showground management or law enforcement.

Emergency services – call 000

Campground management – advise camp registration office

#### 6. Acknowledgement

By visiting the Maleny Showgrounds, all agree to comply with this policy. Violation of this policy may result in eviction from the grounds and/or legal consequences

## 7. Review and Updates

This policy is subject to review as necessary and may be updated at the discretion of the Maleny Agricultural Show Society.

For any questions or concerns regarding this policy please contact showgrounds office or management via the Maleny Agricultural Show Society website.

#### 8. Contact Information

For more information or to report a concern, please contact:

Maleny Show Society Management Committee

Campground registering office or caretaker OR

Email: secretary@malenyshowsociety.org.au

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

It will be taken that all Visitors have acknowledged that they have read, understood, and agree to abide by this Policy upon entering the Maleny Showgrounds.