



Protected Entertainment Precincts Fact Sheet

The *Liquor Control Act 1988* is being amended, including to:

- Establish Protected Entertainment Precincts
- Enable Police to exclude people engaging in violent or antisocial behaviour from being in these precincts

Precincts

Precincts will be established in well-known entertainment areas.

The initial precincts will be in:

- Northbridge/Perth
- Hillarys
- Fremantle
- Scarborough
- Mandurah

Through amendments to regulations, additional Precincts can be added if required. The Minister for Racing and Gaming must consult with the Commissioner of Police, Local Government and other stakeholders about the above and further locations.

Mandatory Exclusion

A person convicted of the following offences (committed in a public place in a Protected Entertainment Precinct) will not be allowed to be in the precincts for 5 years after their release from prison:

- Murder
- Manslaughter
- Unlawful assault causing death
- Grievous bodily harm
- Wounding
- Sexual penetration without consent
- Aggravated sexual penetration without consent
- “Drink spiking” offences

The penalty for this offence will be up to five years imprisonment and a \$12,000 fine.

A juvenile convicted of the above offences would not be allowed in the precincts for 2 years.

Exclusion Orders

Exclusion orders can apply when:

- A person behaves in an unlawful, antisocial, disorderly, offensive, indecent and threatening way in a precinct, and;
- The person being in the precinct could cause violence or public disorder or impact the safety of others

A **short-term exclusion order** can be issued by police, (with approval from an Inspector), and will exclude a person from all precincts for up to 6 months;

An **extended exclusion order** can be issued by the Director of Liquor Licensing on the application by police and will exclude a person from all precincts for up to 5 years (or up to two years for juveniles).

Exclusion orders can be issued to both juveniles and adults.

The penalty for breaching exclusion orders is two years imprisonment, and a fine of \$12,000.

Exemptions

The legislation will include a list of exemptions which will allow for those that are subject to mandatory exclusion or exclusion orders to enter the precinct. These exemptions include the person being at their residence, working and accessing health services.