

IN THE MATTER of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 (the Act)

AND

IN THE MATTER of an application by The Cocktail Cart Limited, pursuant to Section 138 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 for an On Site Special Licence

DECISION OF THE TAUPO DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Before the Taupo District Licensing Committee:

Commissioner: Murray Clearwater

The Application

This is an application by The Cocktail Cart Limited for an on site Special Licence pursuant to Section 138 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 for an equine event known as Equifest. It was formally received by the Taupō District Licensing Committee on 8th August 2023.

Reasons for the Decision

The applicant appears to be a responsible entity to hold a Special Licence and a certificated manager will oversee the sale, supply and consumption of alcohol.

The Police report raises no matters in opposition based on the offer from the applicant that cocktails will not be more than 7% abv.

The MOoH opposes the application believing that cocktails are inappropriate for this setting, too high in alcohol percentage and too drinkable.

The applicant has agreed to a reduction of hours with a 12 noon start instead of 11.00am and also to reconfigure the cocktails drinks from 9.5%-10.5% down to 5-7%.

The delegated officer for the MOoH has withdrawn their opposition based on these concessions. .

The Inspector does not oppose the application.

The Cocktail Cart is a 'new' operator in the Taupo area, and we are entitled to adopt a precautionary approach until they prove themselves as a competent operator.

We weigh this against the concessions offered and the overall activity on the site over the three days. Clearly the onus will be firmly on the applicant to ensure that the alcohol sold does not contribute to intoxication and other alcohol related issues at the venue.

We believe the proposal, as is now before us, is capable of being granted subject to discretionary conditions.

Pursuant to Section 202(1) we have decided to consider and determine the application on the papers.

We suspect the agencies will be conducting at least one compliance inspection over the weekend. Any failures or breaches of the licence should be promptly brought to the attention of the DLC.

The Decision

We are satisfied as to the matters to which we must have regard as set out in the Act and we grant the applicant a Special Licence authorising the sale and supply of alcohol to any person attending the following occasion or event (or series of occasions or events): Equifest.

The licence shall be subjected to mandatory and discretionary conditions as detailed in the attached licence.

Dated at Taupō on 6 October 2023



Murray Clearwater

Commissioner

Taupō District Licensing Committee



GREAT LAKE TAUPŌ
Taupō District Council

On Site Special Licence

Section 22 and 64, Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012

Pursuant to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012, **The Cocktail Cart Limited** is authorised to sell and supply alcohol, on the premises situated at 114 Rapids Road, Rotokawa and known as The National Equestrian Centre for consumption on the premises, to any person attending the following occasion or event (or series of occasions or events): **Equifest**.

The authority conferred by this licence must be exercised through a managers or managers appointed by the licensee in accordance with Subpart 7 of Part 2 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012.

CONDITIONS

This licence is subject to the following conditions:

1. Alcohol may be sold and supplied for consumption on the premises only on the following days and hours: Friday 13 October 2023 from 12noon to 8.30pm Saturday 14 October 2023 from 12 noon to 8.30pm Sunday 15 October 2023 from 11.00am to 2.30pm.
2. Cocktails must not exceed 7% abv.
3. A maximum of 2 alcoholic serves per sale per person applies unless the products are 2.5% abv or less.
4. Drinking water is to be provided to patrons free of charge from a water supply prominently situated on the premises.
5. A certificated manager must be on duty at all times, within the licensed area, when the premises are open for the sale and supply of alcohol and their full name must be on a sign prominently displayed.
6. Food must be available for consumption on the premises at all times the premises are open for the sale and supply of alcohol, in accordance with the sample menu supplied with the application for this licence, or menu variations of a similar range and standard
7. The licensee must have available for consumption on the premises, at all times when the premises are open for the sale and supply of alcohol, a reasonable range of non-alcoholic and low-alcohol beverages
8. The Licensee must display signage as follows:
 - a. At every point-of-sale detailing restrictions on the sale and supply of alcohol to minors and intoxicated persons,
 - b. A copy of the licence attached to the premises so as to be easily read by persons attending the premises,
 - c. A sign prominently displayed at the premises, which identifies by name the manager for the time being on duty,
 - d. The licensee must provide information and advice about forms of transport available to patrons from the licensed premises.
9. The Alcohol Management Plan must be complied with at all times.

THE LICENSED PREMISES

The licensed premises known as "The National Equestrian Centre" situated at 114 Rapids Road, Rotokawa, is more precisely identified as outlined in the Event Site Plan provided with the application, as received by the Taupo District Licensing Committee on 8th August 2023.

Dated at Taupo on 6 October 2023

Murray Clearwater
Commissioner
Taupo District Licensing Committee