

Drinks Service Policy

We will not sell spirits in quantities greater than a double normal serve measure in one glass.

We will not mix spirits in the same glass other than as part of recognised cocktails.

We will not serve spirits into draught alcohol products e.g., put a whiskey in a pint of lager.

We will not normally stock any product over 50% ABV. Where we do, it will be only with the approval of the Functions and Events Coordinator.

Staff involved in table service on any shift will be specifically reminded of their obligation not to serve those who appear to be excessively under the influence of alcohol. Note: Table service is defined as the offering of further drinks service (away from the bar area) to customers, where drinks are prepared to order and subsequently delivered to the customer by a server.

We recognise that the service of shooter drinks, for example the use of tequila belts, could be considered part of a binge drinking mentality. However, when used responsibly these add a fun element to events appreciated by the majority of customers. The following measures apply to this specific type of service:

- a) Staff will be briefed to preclude those who have already consumed enough alcohol.
- b) After 11.30pm, service limited to a single measure.
- d) There will be no competition elements that involve volume or speed drinking incentives.
- e) Staff and customers will be banned from dispensing alcohol straight into the mouth of another person.

We will refuse service of alcoholic products to those who we suspect to have already drunk too much, and either ask them to leave the premises or encourage them to have a soft drink or water as appropriate, as stipulated under the Licensing Act.

Free drinking water is available to all of our customers.

We will not serve drinks which include ingredients with the potential to cause major harm e.g., dry ice or liquid nitrogen.

The Rufus Centre operate a Challenge 25 age verification policy. Anyone who appears to be under the age of 25 is asked to prove that they are over 18 (using either a passport, driving licence or other approved form of identity).