

Consultation Questions

Consultation on Alcohol Misuse

***Question 1: We invite views on our proposals to make regulations, under the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005***

I support these proposals

***Question 2: We invite views on whether a minimum pricing scheme should be based on the following principles***

I support these proposals

***Question 3: What particular information do you think parents and carers would find helpful to enable them to support their children to make positive choices about alcohol?***

<p><b><i>Question 4: Do you think that the minimum age for off-sales purchases should be raised to 21 in Scotland?</i></b></p>	no,
<p><b><i>Question 5: What criteria should be used to determine the types of premises (or specific premises) that should be subject to a 'social responsibility fee'? (e.g. late opening premises, or premises in a particular area)?</i></b></p>	
<p><b><i>Question 6: Should a fee be applied to Occasional Licences as well as Premises Licences?</i></b></p>	
<p><b><i>Question 7: Should a similar fee be applied to other premises licensed under separate legislation?</i></b></p>	
<p><b><i>Question 8: Do you agree that regulations should be made, under the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005, to extend the existing regulations to:</i></b></p>	yes,
<p><b><i>Question 9: Do you think that there should be separate checkouts for alcohol sales?</i></b></p>	
<p><b><i>Question 10: Should there should be a requirement for alcohol checkout staff to be at least 18 years old?</i></b></p>	yes,
<p><b><i>Question 11: Do you have any other comments or suggestions to make on, or any addition to, the proposals set out in this consultation paper?</i></b></p>	<p>As someone who spends a lot of time in pubs at night, I'm disappointed by the range of drinks available which don't contain alcohol. Measures of pure fruit juices are usually tiny, it's not pleasant or healthy to drink a lot of soft drinks, and many pubs turn off their hot drink machines at night. It seems to me that legislation could be introduced to compel pubs to offer hot drinks (tea, coffee, hot chocolate, instant soups) until closing time, and larger measures of fruit juice. Not all pubs offer low alcohol beers - this could also be made compulsory. It could be made compulsory for retailers to stock a certain proportion of smaller bottles of wine - this would make it easier to moderate wine consumption. Once a bottle of wine is opened, it will usually be finished.</p>