

## Where can I find further information about the Dry Zone Area?

Details can be found on the Berri Barmera Council website at [www.berribarmera.sa.gov.au](http://www.berribarmera.sa.gov.au)

Council has erected signs within the designated dry areas. It is not a defence to a charge if you claim you did not see a sign or even if there is no sign present where you breach the rules of the Dry Area.



# DRY ZONE



**PENALTIES APPLY**

Phone your local Police  
for assistance on 131444

Contact: Berri Barmera Council  
Website: [www.berribarmera.sa.gov.au](http://www.berribarmera.sa.gov.au)  
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# Barmera Dry Areas



# DRY ZONE AREAS IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## What is a Dry Zone Area?

A 'dry area' is an area where the consumption of alcohol or possession of open containers of alcohol is prohibited. This applies even if you are just moving through a Dry Area. Possession of alcohol in an open container does not take into account, whether the alcohol is being consumed or not. A person can possess alcohol (e.g. a carton beer, a bottle of wine or alcohol in a esky) in a Dry Area provided the container is unopened.

## When do the Dry Zone Areas apply?

The Dry Areas are in place 24 hours a day, seven days a week, unless otherwise signed. The Barmera Lakefront is a dry zone from 8pm until 8am.

## Why have Dry Areas been designated?

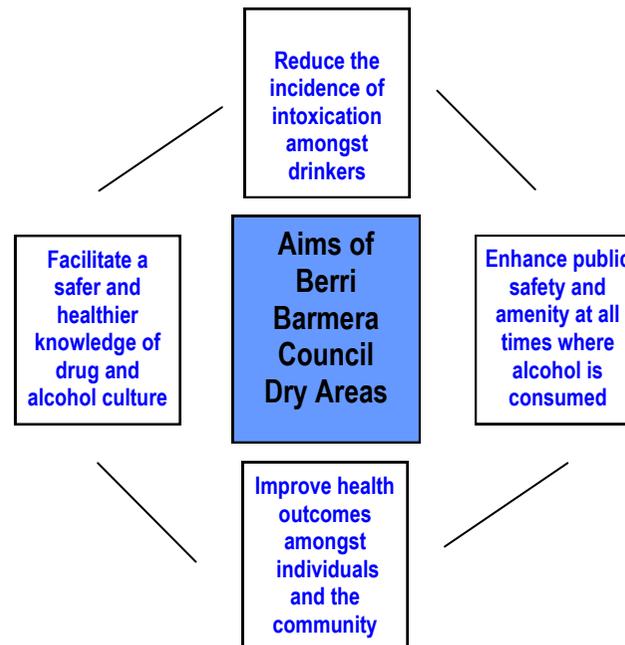
The implementation of the Dry Areas should reduce the incidence of public drinking, anti-social and petty criminal behavior by public drinkers, with consequent increased safety for the general public. Dry Areas will raise awareness amongst community members that drinking to excess in public is not a socially acceptable activity. Local residents and visitors alike need to be aware that the Berri Barmera Council is a proactive, socially responsible and family friendly community.

## What penalties apply for breaching a Dry Area?

A person who consumes alcohol or possesses an opened container in a Dry Area is guilty of an offence. The offence carries a maximum penalty and offenders are usually issued with an expiation notice plus payment of Victims of Crime Levy.

## Who monitors the Dry Areas?

SA Police monitor the Dry Areas. They should be contacted on all matters relating to the Dry Areas by phoning 13 14 44.



## Can permission be gained to hold an event involving alcohol in a Dry Areas?

A permit can be sought from the Berri Barmera Council to hold an event in a public place within a dry area. Permission should be sought three months in advance of the event. Any permits issued may contain certain conditions under which an event can occur. You will also need to apply to the Office of the Liquor and Gambling Commission for a Limited Liquor License if the event is being held within a designated dry area. Please contact Council for more information.

## Can alcohol be consumed in a privately owned vehicle in the Dry Zone Areas?

A person is not permitted to consume alcohol or possess an opened container of alcohol in a privately owned vehicle within a Dry Area.

## Are Caravan Parks affected if they are located within a Dry Zone area?

Within the Berri Barmera Council area, Caravan Parks have not be included within the Dry Zone area boundaries. However there may be local Caravan Park rules which apply to the consumption of alcohol within the Caravan Park.