IMPAIRED DRIVING DESIGNATED DRIVER PROGRAM VILLAGE OF MIDWAY POLICY

PREAMBLE:

The Village of Midway provides facilities and parks for assorted private and public social and recreational functions at which alcohol is served. It is in the Village of Midway's best interest to ensure that the serving of alcohol is conducted prudently with the highest regard given to the safety of patrons and the public at large. As the owner and/or operator of these facilities and parks, the Village of Midway encourages responsible attitudes towards drinking and driving. Therefore, the following policy has been developed:

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It is the policy of the Village of Midway that organizers of events at facilities and/or parks, at which alcohol is served, have in place a "Designated Driver Program."

1.0 Definitions

- 1.1 Designated Driver Program An awareness intended to educate the public to plan alternate means of transportation after drinking alcohol. Promotional material will be available through the R.C.M.P. Office.
- 1.2 Municipal Facility An arena, meeting centre or recreational centre, any building owned by or operated by the Village of Midway.
- 1.3 Municipal Park Includes all developed and undeveloped "green spaces" for which the municipality is owner or is responsible for, including recreational parks and sports fields.
- 1.4 Class "A" Event An event for which admission is open to the public either at no cost or for which a fee has been charged.
- 1.5 Class "B" Event An event for which admission is closed to invited guests or members only.

2.0 Regulations

- 2.1 All sponsors of events at a village facility or park, at which alcohol is served, are requested to ensure that a "Designated Driver Program" is in place.
- 2.2 A Designated Driver Program for a Class "A" event should consist of no less than the following:
 - a) A Designated Driver announcement made to the assembled guests encouraging the use of a designated driver or alternate transportation for the event.
 - b) Designated Driver information posted prominently at each station where alcohol is served.
 - c) Designated Driver reminders at each table where guests are seated.

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- 2.3 A Designated Driver Program for a Class "B" event should consist of no less than the following:
 - Designated Driver information posted prominently at each station where alcohol is served.
 - b) Designated Driver reminders at each table where guests are seated.
- 2.4 In order to ensure that event organizers provide adequate information to their guests, the R.C.M.P. will provide organizers with a supply of Designated Driver promotional material, subject to availability and stock on hand, for free distribution to event organizers and/or sponsors upon request. It shall be the responsibility of the event organizers and/or sponsors to determine the quantity of material needed for their event. If additional materials are needed, it will be the responsibility of the event organizers and/or sponsors to obtain sufficient quantities from the R.C.M.P. Detachment Office, when additional supplies are received, or directly from the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia and/or from others who support Designated Driver Programs.

Implementation of Policy:

This policy shall become effective immediately upon approval by Council. Dated this 15th day of September, 1997.

Reviewed and amended to reflect new Policy No. 101. Approved by Resolution Of Council November 29, 1999.

Administrator