

Home-brew Ban: Lockhart River

It's the Law

From 17 September 2007, home-brew and homemade alcohol will be banned in the Indigenous community of Lockhart River.

This is a new Law in Lockhart River

OATSIP administers this Law

The Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships (OATSIP) administers home-brew bans under the *Aboriginal Communities (Justice and Land Matters) Act 1984*. Contact 1300 789 000

Queensland Police will enforce the Law

The Queensland Police Service will be responsible for enforcing the home-brew ban under the *Aboriginal Communities (Justice and Land Matters) Act 1984*.

Any suspected home-brew related activities should be reported to the local police in that area. Contact details are: Lockhart River Police (07) 4060 7120.

This Law bans all homebrew and home made alcohol

- **home-brew kits are banned** - (A 'home-brew kit' includes a fermenter, an airlock and a thermometer).
- **home-brew concentrate is banned** – ('home-brew concentrate' includes ingredients e.g malt and hops used for brewing beer, wort and grape concentrate used for making wine).
- **homemade alcohol of any kind is banned.**

It is against the law to sell or supply home made alcohol to anyone

Home-brew kits, concentrate and homemade alcohol must be disposed of or removed from Lockhart River by 17 September 2007.

This ban applies to all people in all areas of Lockhart River

This ban applies to all people in the Lockhart River community, and covers all areas including people's homes.

You can be fined

The home brew offence has a maximum penalty of \$18,750.

Other communities can apply for a ban of home-brew

The decision to ban home-brew is driven by the community. A Community justice group or council can approach OATSIP to have a home-brew ban implemented in their community.

For more information

Visit www.alcoholimits.qld.gov.au or contact the Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, Department of Communities on 1300 789 000.

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