

**AINTREE RACECOURSE GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS
DRUG POLICY**

1. Statement

Aintree Racecourse does not condone the dealing in or use of Psychoactive drugs on site. Drug enforcement laws are as applicable on this site as they are anywhere else in the country and any infringements of these laws will be taken very seriously.

Our policy on drugs is based on both prevention and enforcement with the active targeting of those customers seeking to deal drugs to others.

Aintree Racecourse shall use the following mediums to convey this message to its customers; and in particular any dealers that may try to target its customers, both at their time of booking; prior to their entrance and onto the site:

2. Prior to Arrival

- Our drugs policy will be published on our website with the booking information.
- Attention to the drugs policy will be drawn to customers in their ticket wallets.

3. At the Entrance

- A proportion of our stewards are SIA trained and are trained in the recognition and signs of drug abuse and drug identification.
- Aintree Racecourse reserves the right to carry out random stop and searches by G4S contracted security teams. Subject to information received some searches may be carried out by Merseyside Police. This will be an intelligence led operation headed up by SIA trained stewards and if necessary supported by use of a drugs dog.
- There will be signage outlining the drugs policy at the entrances.
- If illegal substances are found at the entry points then the items will be confiscated and the offender may be refused entry. The level of response will be determined by the amounts and type of drug/s found and the support available from outside agencies ie The Police.
- Any confiscated items will be labelled and will be handed to the Police.

4. On Course

- Security will take an active role observing for drug dealing and will work in full co-operation as an intelligence gathering agency with the Police.
- When there is a strong suspicion of drug dealing, security will inform and assist the Police in every way possible, following liaison with the police they will then either evict the suspect or pass them directly to the police to deal with them
- If illegal substances are found as individual use the items will be confiscated and the offender may be ejected. The level of response will be determined by the amounts and type of drug/s found and the support available from outside agencies ie The Police.
- Stewards are trained in emergency first aid and are fully informed about the welfare and drugs advisory facilities.