

Handling of Positive Spiking Wristbands

Purpose:

This crib sheet provides quick and essential guidance for venue staff and managers on how to respond if an anti-spiking wristband provides a positive result.

Step-by-Step Instructions

1. Immediate Action
 - If an individual informs you of a positive drug test result from their wristband, respond calmly and discreetly. Move them to a safe, quiet location within the venue. Ensure they are not left alone.
 - Ask the individual if they have consumed the tested drink
 2. If the individual has not consumed the drink
 - Secure the drink for potential testing. Avoid touching it directly.
 - Inform venue security and management
 - Contact Police via online reporting or 101 to report the incident
 - Record details in the venue's incident log, including time, the individual's condition and any actions taken.
 - Follow any other reporting procedures related to the venues licencing conditions
 3. If the individual has consumed the drink
 - If the individual has consumed the drink ask the individual how they are feeling and if they need immediate medical assistance
 - Look for signs of distress, or adverse reactions such as confusion, dizziness, difficulty breathing, or other alarming symptoms.
 - Call emergency services if symptoms are severe or worsening
 - Contact the Police
 - Preserve the drink and any relevant evidence for the Police
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Information on Wristbands

These anti-spiking wristbands are designed to detect the presence of certain drugs. The individual tests the bands themselves. Each wristband allows the user to test the same drink twice or 2 different drinks.

A positive result suggests that the individual may have been exposed to drugs. This could pose a significant health risk, particularly if they are unaware or have taken a substance unknowingly.

Additional Information

Positive Result: The anti-spiking wristband will change colour from the light yellow/green colouring to a dark blue, dark green-blue, red-blue, violet-blue, brown-blue on the patch, if a drink has been tampered with.

Please note If the test accidentally gets wet (washing hands, or raining), the test will turn blue. This indicates it has become wet only.

Website: For more information on handling positive wristbands and available support services visit www.southendcsp.org.uk

Notes

This briefing should be kept at all key staff points within the venue.

Review and familiarise yourself with these procedures regularly to ensure a quick and effective response.