

# EU ALCOHOL STRATEGY: MONITORING OF GOOD PRACTICES IN EU-27 AS OF 1 JANUARY 2007

## SPAIN

### Theme 1: Actions to protect young people, children and the unborn child

Existing national 18 year age limit for selling and serving alcohol  B= Beer W= Wine S= Spirits	Other restrictions on serving or selling to young people <sup>i</sup> (other than age limits an proof of age cards)	National restrictions on commercial communication targeting young people <sup>ii</sup>	Activities involving Multi stakeholders community interventions <sup>iii</sup>	National media campaigns <sup>iv</sup> <sup>v</sup>	Counselling to support children in families with alcohol problems and measures to protect the unborn child <sup>vi</sup> <sup>vii</sup>	Nation wide educational programmes part of curriculum <sup>viii</sup>	National pricing policy as a part of alcohol policy <sup>ix</sup>	National BAC limits for young drivers	Statistics on young peoples drinking volumes and patterns <sup>x</sup>
<p><b>No</b></p> <p><b>National</b> 18 or lower age limit for selling or serving alcoholic beverages</p> <p>But, at Regional 16 – 18 Legislation in different regions.</p> <p>18 years in the 13 Autonomous Communities and 16 years in 4</p>	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>Random controls, information about age limits posted at the point of sale</p> <p>State prohibition during sport events and Autonomic Region prohibition in other locations or points of sale such as vending machines</p>	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>General Law on Publicity 34/1998: Prohibition of Advertisement of &gt; 20° Alcoholic Beverages on TV</p> <p>Limitation of contents aimed at minors</p> <p>Self regulating codes</p>	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>Several national campaigns</p> <p>Brief interventions implemented, initiatives aimed at young drivers that also consume alcohol</p> <p>Evaluation: <b>Yes</b></p>	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>Nationwide institutional campaigns, both for prevention of alcohol consumption and of traffic safety.</p> <p>Post-campaign evaluation measured through surveys.</p>	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>Projects implemented in the Autonomous Communities:</p> <p>“Pre-infant” programme for not yet born children and aimed at pregnant women addicted to alcohol complemented by a year of follow up once the baby is born.</p>	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>Many training programmes imparted in the Autonomous Communities. These are multi-component programmes that teach life skills and serve as educational guidance.</p>	<p><b>No</b></p>	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>0.3g/l in novice drivers during the first 2 years of having a driving license.</p> <p>Level of enforcement Medium</p> <p>Greater level of compliance since the implantation of the Penalty Points Law (07/2006)</p>	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>But not comparable. School Survey on drug consumption</p> <p>Biannual survey to school children between 14 and 18 years old. Evaluates: prevalence, the consumption patterns, opinions and attitudes of school children.</p>

Existing national <u>18 year</u> age limit for selling and serving alcohol  B= Beer W= Wine S= Spirits	Other restrictions on serving or selling to young people <sup>i</sup> (other than age limits and proof of age cards)	National restrictions on commercial communication targeting young people <sup>ii</sup>	Activities involving Multi stakeholders community interventions <sup>iii</sup>	National media campaigns <sup>iv</sup> <small>v</small>	Counselling to support children in families with alcohol problems and measures to protect the unborn child <sup>vi</sup> <small>vii</small>	Nation wide educational programmes part of curriculum <sup>viii</sup>	National pricing policy as a part of alcohol policy <sup>ix</sup>	National BAC limits for young drivers	Statistics on young peoples drinking volumes and patterns <sup>x</sup>
Level of enforcement <b>Low</b>  Administrative penalties.	Level of enforcement Medium  Inspections and administrative sanctions.	Level of enforcement <b>Medium</b>	Alternative entertainment programs aimed at youth and implemented in commercial spaces: YES		ALFIL programme: aimed at children of parents with problems.				Data on FAS is not collected.

## Theme 2: Actions to reduce injuries and deaths from alcohol-related road traffic accidents

National Blood Alcohol Concentration limit (BAC) Below 0,5 g/l	Random Breath Testing (police has the <u>right</u> to test drivers without suspicion) <sup>xi</sup>	Special national BAC limits for inexperienced drivers, drivers of public transports or commercial vehicles.	Types of enforcement (other than RBT) and application of dissuasive sanctions, interventions for repeated drink drivers. <sup>xii</sup>	Statistics - National data on;  Drivers/ victims found with blood alcohol (all BAC limits)  Number of killed/injured in alcohol-related road accidents  Number of drivers found above national BAC limits
Yes (0,5 g/l)	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>Frequent</p> <p>Number of preventive controls in 2006 =3.347.015 (All the Spanish Territory but Catalonia and Basque Country)</p>	Yes 0,3	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>Penalty Points , enforced since July 1<sup>st</sup> 2006</p> <p>There are centres that impart courses on awareness and road safety for habitual offenders who have lost points or the full licence, in which alcohol is treated as a risk factor.</p> <p>There are also fines and criminal penalties. A project on Alco lock has been implemented in buses of 2 Spanish cities.</p>	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>Drivers/victims found with blood alcohol (all BAC limits)</p> <p>In <b>2006</b>: 5.567 (All the Spanish Territory but Catalonia and Basque Country)</p> <p>Number of fatalities with positive BAC (0.3)(year 2006) Drivers: 28,8 %</p> <p>Number of drivers found above national BAC limits: 82.729 (All the Spanish Territory but Catalonia and Basque Country)</p>

### Theme 3: Prevent alcohol-related harm among adults and reduce the negative impact on the workplace

National alcohol policy adopted by Government or Parliament – (targeting adults)	National restrictions on advertising /sponsorship - targeting adults	Brief/ early advise by doctors and nurses in primary health care, <sup>xiii</sup>	Treatment/ Rehabilitation of high risk drinkers	Training for health professionals (on a regular basis)	National price policy targeting adults	National licence system of retail sale (shops) and production <sup>xiv</sup>	National licence system on - premise (serving on pubs restaurants) <sup>xv/</sup>	Server training <sup>xvi</sup>	Prevention activities at work places/ providing help and specialised care for employees/	Community based intervention – multi-stakeholder cooperation (including local communities)
Yes  National plan on drugs – alcohol part 2005-2008	Yes  Prohibition of advertisements featuring beverages of >20° of alcohol content on TV  Regional <b>Yes</b>	Yes  It is contemplated in the Royal Decree pertaining to Services Provided by the National Health Social Insurance Scheme.  A scientific society also promotes it at the State level  Brief interventions have been initiated at the Emergency Services at the Local level.	Yes  National Health System	Yes  Few hours of pre-graduate phase, greater offer in postgraduate education (masters degree courses, etc.)  Non State-level	No	Yes  Production licences award system  Not for retail sale	No	Yes  Experiences at the local level in some cities	Yes  Some companies, particularly transport companies, at the company's own initiative	Yes  Community interventions at the local level

## Theme 4: Inform, educate and raise awareness

Consumer information on <u>points of sale</u> <sup>xvii</sup>  Both regulation or non-regulation	Health warning labels on <u>beverage containers</u> or <u>advertisements</u>  Both regulation or non-regulation	National awareness raising campaigns on alcohol and pregnancy <sup>xviii</sup>	National awareness raising campaigns on alcohol's impact on working performance <sup>xix</sup>	National awareness raising campaigns on alcohol's impact on health	National awareness raising campaigns on children in families with alcohol problems <sup>xx</sup>	Publicly funded alcohol research and monitoring programmes <sup>xxi</sup>
No	Yes  There is no compulsory labelling but there is a voluntary warning	No  There are no labels in that sense. Some non-specific campaign (alcohol and other risks) and distribution of brochures	No  There are some of regional level	Yes  National campaigns involving all media; the last one was done in 2006.  The 2007 campaign was approved in 2006.	No	Yes  National Plan on Drugs, Health Research Fund, General Directorate on Public Health, Scientific societies and Autonomous Regions

### Theme 1

<sup>i</sup> Indicate if there is any ban to sell/serve alcoholic beverages close to schools or in vending machines (proof of age cards should be indicated under enforcement of age limits).

<sup>ii</sup> Use ELSA project information to check this.

<sup>iii</sup> Indicate only if this is major activities including local governments or local authorities or a broad number of stakeholders. The target group must be **young people, children and pregnant women**.

<sup>iv</sup> Indicate only nation-wide or regional media campaigns targeting **or involving young people, children (could also include parents) or pregnant women that are monitored or evaluated in some way**.

<sup>v</sup> Indicate in what way the campaign is evaluated / monitored.

<sup>vi</sup> Indicate if there are special activities for children or special structural programmes used and in which settings the counselling take place.

<sup>vii</sup> Here you should **not** mention Health warning labels on alcohol during pregnancy - health warnings are reported under theme 4 Information, education and awareness raising activities.

<sup>viii</sup> Small scale actions in one or two classes are not included. Indicate **only** if there are any national, regional or local (municipality) educational programmes implemented.

<sup>ix</sup> This could be taxation but also regulation on one cheaper non-alcoholic drink than any alcoholic drink.

<sup>x</sup> Indicate only in **what way** you are collecting data on young people and children's consumption/drinking patterns and if you collect data on Foetal Alcohol Syndrome/Effects, data **which data** do you have at national level.

### Theme 2

<sup>xi</sup> Indicate if you have any information on the number of RBT carried out (or any approximately data). Remember that you will be asked to report back in 2008 on the development, could be good to have a benchmark (baseline).

<sup>xii</sup> Indicate if you have any brief interventions/treatments of repeated drunk-drivers, any penalties for drunk drivers, Alco lock projects etc. Also here it would be good to report quantities.

---

**Theme 3**

- <sup>xiii</sup> Indicate the degree of implementation (national, regional, municipalities, private medical doctors etc).
- <sup>xiv</sup> Indicate if there is any licensing system, the main criteria for licences and if there are any sanctions (This information can be found in WHO Country Reports – Bridging the Gap web site).
- <sup>xv</sup> Indicate if there is any licensing system, the main criteria for licences and if there are any sanctions (This information can be found in WHO Country Reports – Bridging the Gap web site).
- <sup>xvi</sup> Indicate if this is arranged by economic operators and/or if it is part of requirement in a national licensing system.

**Theme 4**

- <sup>xvii</sup> Indicate if you have any regulation or self-regulation on consumer information on points of sales or on-premises.
- <sup>xviii</sup> In addition to health warning labels, could be awareness raising campaigns, cooperation with medical professionals, schools, universities etc.
- <sup>xix</sup> Indicate if you have any ongoing cooperation with trade unions, employers in order to develop work place alcohol policy/brief interventions for people at risk or national campaigns.
- <sup>xx</sup> Under theme 1 you were asked to indicate if you have any counselling activities with children in families with drinking problems. Under this heading you are asked to indicate if you have any awareness raising campaigns to raise awareness among citizens or professionals.
- <sup>xxi</sup> Indicate if there are programmes and approximately how many (if possible the amount of money spent).

These tables were produced by using information provided by the members of the Commission of National Policy and Action. The European Commission does not guarantee the accuracy of the data included in these tables, nor does it accept responsibility for any use made thereof.