

## STATE OF NEVADA

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## **NOTICE TO LICENSEES**

Notice #2013-22 Issuing Division: Enforcement

DATE: MARCH 21, 2013

TO: ALL NONRESTRICTED LICENSEES AND INTERESTED PARTIES

FROM: THE GAMING CONTROL BOARD AND THE LAS VEGAS METROPOLITAN

POLICE DEPARTMENT

RE: NIGHTCLUBS, DAY CLUBS, PARTY POOLS, ULTRA LOUNGES, AND SIMILAR

**VENUES** 

The Gaming Control Board continues to be concerned with activities occurring at or in connection with nightclubs, party pools, ultra lounges, day clubs and similar or associated events at venues on the property of gaming licensees. The Gaming Control Board (Board), in partnership with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (Metro), as well as other law enforcement jurisdictions statewide, continues to have an ongoing interest in the activities occurring at these venues. In view of recent events and with the approach of the summer season, we believe a review of our concern is appropriate.

As in the past, areas of concern include drug distribution/abuse, sexual assault, theft, violence (fights, aggravated assaults, etc), prostitution, nudity, and the presence of minors. While we recognize that it is sometimes difficult to control the activities of patrons, our investigative efforts in the recent past have focused on the overall policies of the venue and on the action(s) of its employees. Recent investigations have not only shown a lack of enforcement effort to curtail criminal activity on the part of patrons, but that venue staff have played an active role in condoning and/or facilitating the criminal activity. This type of activity on the part of those who are supposed to be responsible for the protection of both the guests and the property will not be tolerated.

Many licensees have made significant progress in policy development and venue protection and we applaud those efforts, but the incidents described above cannot be ignored, as they reflect poorly on the venue, the licensee, the jurisdiction and the State of Nevada. The Board, Metro and our other law enforcement partners will continue to investigate complaints relative to criminal activities, misquoting of fees, admission of and service to minors, and the handling of incapacitated patrons. We will also actively conduct ongoing covert investigations in those venues where concerns continue to arise in order to ensure a safe environment for patrons.

In addition, please be reminded that the licensee will be held responsible for the actions occurring on its premises regardless of the association or contractual agreements between the licensee and a lessee or third part operator/manager.

As in the past, the Board, Metro and other agencies are willing to work with you to ensure the safety of all visitors and guests at these exceptional venues. Questions or requests regarding these issues can be made directly to Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Lieutenant Roxanne McDaris, 702 808-5083, Senior Agent Phillip Pedote, 702 486-2020 (Las Vegas) or, in northern Nevada, Supervisor David Andrews, 775 823-7250.

Sincerely,

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