

You are in an alcohol control area



Police, Police Community Support Officers (PCSO) and Community Protection Officers (CPO) can ask you:

- NOT to drink alcohol
- Ask you to to **HAND OVER** alcohol containers (open or sealed)
- **DESTROY** confiscated alcohol

Powers under the Criminal Justice and Police Act 2001 allow police to arrest someone in an alcohol control area who:

- Refuses to stop drinking after being asked to by a police officer, PCSO or CPO
- Refuses to hand over any alcohol container after being asked to do so

The maximum penalty for these offences is a £500 fine