



Senior Alcohol Licensing Inspector

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We're proud to be QLDC. Our people are motivated by a shared purpose driven by care, connection and community. All our roles are at the heart of a dynamic and diverse set of communities where you will be making a genuine difference every day. Join us.

We're looking for a Senior Alcohol Licensing Inspector to join our friendly and knowledgeable team. As well as being part of a great team, we offer hybrid working practices, a host of employee benefits (including highly discounted access to our health and fitness facilities), and a genuine commitment to your training and career development.

What you'll be doing / He aha te mahi

The Senior Alcohol Licensing Inspector provides leadership, support, and expert guidance in administering and enforcing alcohol licensing legislation and Council bylaws. They assist in mentoring inspectors, ensuring high service standards, and implementing strategic process improvements for the Queenstown Lakes District Council.

The role will involve:

- Mentoring and supporting the training and development of licensing inspectors and partner agencies.
- Assisting in improving team processes, report consistency, and best practice strategies.
- Leading compliance and enforcement activities, including investigations and monitoring of licensed premises.
- Collaborating with key stakeholders (Police, Health, Fire) to manage applications and promote harm reduction.
- Delivering high-quality customer service and maintain accurate licensing records and reports.



What you'll bring to the role / Ko wai tō Pukeka

You will be a highly experienced and qualified professional with over 5 years in alcohol licensing, enforcement, or local government, capable of leading, mentoring, and delivering under pressure with strong legal knowledge and communication skills.

To best succeed in this role, you'll have:

- Over 5 years' experience in alcohol licensing and enforcement, including hearings.
- Experience with participation in alcohol related hearings in front of the DLC and ARLA.
- Strong leadership, mentoring, and staff development abilities.
- Sound knowledge of interpreting legislation and case law and regulatory systems.
- Proven ability to prioritise, multitask, and meet tight deadlines under pressure.
- A full clean New Zealand Driving Licence.

What we offer / Ko ā mātou whakaratoka

We are proud to offer a comprehensive benefits package that supports your health, wellbeing, and professional growth, including:

- Southern Cross Wellbeing One Plan
- Discounted membership to our health and fitness facilities
- Hybrid working practices
- Genuine commitment to your training and career development

To apply, please follow the link and apply online with your CV and Cover Letter.

Please direct any questions to Sian Swinney, Alcohol Licensing Inspector Manager on sian.swinney@qldc.govt.nz

Applications close: Wednesday 19th November 2025.

Please note we will review and process applications as they come through; we encourage your early application