

## Health & Safety Policy

The Irish Whiskey Society (IWS) recognises and accepts that we have a duty of care to our members and visitors, and as far as is reasonably practicable to providing a safe environment for them to meet. We acknowledge our responsibility to avoid acts or omissions (which can be reasonably foreseen) which are likely to cause harm.

In this regard the IWS will pay particular attention to the provision & maintenance of:

- a safe place to meet
- safe systems of work at the venue
- equipment that is safe and fit for purpose
- information, instruction and supervision as appropriate

Although not a premises owner, a company or an employer, the IWS is committed to working with our partners to enable them meet their legal obligations under the Safety Health and Welfare at Work Act of 2005. In this regard the President of the IWS will ensure that an up-to-date risk assessment for our events (as required under Section 19) is available to any interested third party. We will also adhere to their arrangements for emergencies and serious and imminent dangers (under section 11).

The IWS recognises that this Health & Safety policy cannot be successful without the active participation and commitment of its President and Committee and must be observed by all members and visitors attending our events.

This policy will be reviewed at least annually by the IWS President and incoming Committee following the AGM or sooner if required.

Mr. Peter White Irish Whiskey Society President	Date	