Guidance on licensing policy

The Greater London Authority holds a Premises Licence granted by Westminster City Council, for Trafalgar Square. We can stage a limited number of events with licensable content per year. If your event proposal contains forms of entertainment such as music, drama, dance or sports and games, it could be licensable. Licensable events must comply with certain conditions in order to uphold objectives within the Licensing Act 2003.

Compliance with licence conditions can often attract a cost, for example, extra stewarding, security, or a more sophisticated PA system which limits sound levels on Trafalgar Square. It is worth considering if your event has any elements which could be licensable.

As the number of licensable events we may stage every year is limited, not every application can be accommodated.

If you are unsure if your event could be classed as licensable, please complete the appropriate application form and a member of the Squares Team will contact you with more information and advice.