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**The Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005**  
**The Moray Licensing Board**  
**Matters Considered to be Serious**

The following is an example and by no means an exhaustive list of matters considered serious by the Board:

1. Use of the premises for the use or supply of drugs;
2. Use of the premises for laundering the proceeds of crime including drug crimes;
3. Use of the premises for the sale or distribution of illegal firearms;
4. Use of the premises for the sale or supply of stolen or counterfeit goods;
5. Underage purchase and consumption of alcohol;
6. Encouraging or failure to discourage binge drinking;
7. Use of the premises for prostitution or sale/distribution of unlawful pornography;
8. Use of the premises for unlawful gaming;
9. Use of the premises for the organisation of racist, homophobic or sexual abuse or attacks;
10. Failure to promptly respond to a warning properly given by the Fire Authority or other competent authority on a matter of public safety at premises;
11. Failure to avoid easily avoidable but critical risks, including any obstruction of an escape route to, and if necessary beyond a fire exit, and the locking or fastening of fire exit doors during times that premises are open for trade, will be considered an extremely serious failure owing to the dangers to the public;
12. Nuisance from noise or smell caused by a failure to install any or inadequate equipment and/or failure to maintain such equipment;
13. Failure to implement an effective policy to prevent fly posting and to contain or collect litter from flyers or other advertising materials discarded in the vicinity of the premises;
14. Failure to implement an effective policy to contain or collect litter discarded in the vicinity of the premises;
15. Previous convictions for licensing offences;
16. Persistent failure to comply with licence conditions.