

HOTEL TRADING HOURS, RUGBY WORLD CUP

1110. Hon Barry House to the Minister for Racing and Gaming

My question to the Minister relates to the five Rugby World Cup matches to be played at Subiaco Oval starting at 8.00pm between October 11 and October 19. What hotel trading hours will be in force for -

- (1) The matches between South Africa and Uruguay and England and South Africa on Saturday, October 11 and Saturday, 18 October respectively?
- (2) The Wednesday, October 15 match between Samoa and Uruguay?
- (3) The Sunday, October 12 match between England and Georgia and the Sunday, October 19 game between Georgia and Samoa?
- (4) Will the Minister act to extend normal trading hours to midnight by granting a general exemption for the two Sunday matches?
- (5) If not, why not?
- (6) Does the Minister support extended trading hours for special events like the Rugby World Cup?
- (7) If not, why not?

Hon NICK GRIFFITHS replied:

- (1)-(3) The permitted trading hours for hotels under the Liquor Licensing Act 1988 are:

Monday – Saturday	between 6:00am and midnight.
Sunday	between 10:00am and 10:00pm.

Licensees may apply for extended trading permits to trade beyond the permitted trading hours in accordance with section 60(4) of the Liquor Licensing Act.

- (4)-(7) Under the Liquor Licensing Act the Minister for Racing and Gaming has no authority to intervene in the determination, by the Director of Liquor Licensing, of applications for the grant of an extended trading permit under section 60(4) of the Act.