



**WSET**  
APPROVED  
PROGRAMME PROVIDER

## **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST POLICY**

### **Policy**

**Barrels&Beyond**, in its capacity as an Approved Program Provider (APP) for WSET®, will identify, report to WSET®, monitor and manage all conflicts of interest which may have an adverse effect on the WSET® programs and qualifications offered. We will take all reasonable steps to prevent and/or mitigate such adverse effect where it exists. This is essential to safeguard the integrity of WSET qualifications and promote confidence in WSET processes.

### **Scope**

This policy is applicable to all members of our staff involved in delivery, administration and/or marketing of WSET® programs of study leading to WSET® qualification or any of our staff acting in any other capacity on behalf of WSET®.

This policy may also apply in particular to employees, or family members of employees, of this Approved program provider undertaking study of WSET® programs delivered by Barrels&Beyond and leading to WSET® qualification. This policy should be considered in instances of both actual and perceived Conflict of Interest.

### **Definitions**

**Conflict of Interest** exists where an individual has interests or loyalties that could adversely influence their judgement, objectivity or loyalty to WSET® when conducting activities associated with WSET® qualifications.

### **Specific examples of conflict of interest include the following:**

- The undertaking of any assessment of candidates by an individual who has a personal interest in the result of the assessment for any or all individuals concerned;
- The undertaking of any moderation of assessment of candidates by an individual who has a personal interest in the result of the assessment for any or all individuals concerned;
- The tutoring of candidates by any individual involved in the assessment process;
- The undertaking of a WSET® regulated qualification by any individual employed by Barrels&Beyond.
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- The invigilation of a WSET® regulated qualification by any individual involved in the delivery of training leading to the assessment.
- The delivery of “coaching sessions” to examination candidates by any individual involved in the assessment of candidate scripts or the authoring of examination questions.
- The employment by Barrels&Beyond of individuals engaged in the delivery of taught programs or in the role of Internal Assessor in another APP

### **Handling Conflict of Interest:**

We as an Approved Program Provider for WSET qualifications will ensure that this **Conflict of Interest policy** is available to all candidates. Where a potential or perceived conflict of interest exists for a candidate, they may get in touch with the Main Contact, Bharat Singh Rathore on ***Bharat@barrelsandbeyond.com*** who will handle the issue depending upon case to case basis and will seek the advise of WSET for further clarification and guidance.

If ***Barrels&Beyond*** failed to declare a potential conflict of interest, this would be a breach of the WSET® criteria for approval, and sanctions may be applied to OUR approval status as a result of any such non-disclosure.

There are of course many other instances of conflict of interest for which the WSET® do not have documented procedures in place. Such instances will be handled on an individual basis to ensure that the integrity of WSET® assessments is not compromised. If you are not sure and want to get in touch with us with regards to any conflict of interest, kindly contact us at [\*\*\*info@barrelsandbeyond.com\*\*\*](mailto:info@barrelsandbeyond.com) for more information.