

Summary of State of Georgia and DeKalb County Laws on Alcohol

- A. Possession, use, or dispensing of alcoholic beverages by persons under 21 years of age is prohibited;
- B. Furnishing alcoholic beverages to persons who are underage or intoxicated is prohibited;
- C. The sale of alcoholic beverages without a license is prohibited. The sale of alcoholic beverages within 100 yards of a college campus is also prohibited, regardless of the existence of a license. "Sale" includes charging admission to any activity where alcoholic beverages are served, even if the beverage is "free" to those who have gained admission;
- D. Being intoxicated in public is prohibited;
- E. Possessing an open container of an alcoholic beverage in a public area is prohibited;
- F. Providing or possessing false name, address, or date of birth is prohibited.
- G. Violation of these or other laws concerned with possessing, using, or furnishing alcoholic beverages may result in issuance of a court summons, arrest, referral to the Alcohol Council or any other hearing body, or any combination of the above. Regardless of referral to any hearing body, violations involving the operation of a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcoholic beverages will be prosecuted in the criminal courts.

University Regulations

- A. Locations where those of legal drinking age may possess, consume, or serve alcoholic beverages:**
 - a. Inside individual rooms of residence halls and private apartments;
 - b. Inside fraternity and sorority facilities, in accordance with respective national organizational policies and University guidelines;
 - c. In other areas, by permission only of the offices reserving the respective spaces.
- B. Guidelines for social events: Where applicable, please note that this policy applies to the expenditure of both allocated funds and self-generated funds. It also applies to on-campus events and events held off campus through a third party vendor.**
 - a. Non-Registered Events: Certain events at which alcoholic beverages are present do not have to be registered. Such events involve only the sponsoring groups' members and their individually invited guests, and are functions at which the total number of invited guests is limited to three times the membership total of the sponsoring group. (New members of fraternities and sororities are counted as part of their groups' total membership.) All events must comply with state and local laws and University policies. 2. Registered Events: Student organization sponsored events at which alcoholic beverages will be served must be registered two weeks prior to the event. Student organizations must register events through the Office of Student Activities. Fraternities and sororities must register all events with alcoholic beverages through the Office of Sorority and Fraternity Life. Requirements for registered events are as follows:
 - i. Individuals sponsoring the event must implement precautionary measures to ensure that alcoholic beverages are not accessible or served to persons under the legal drinking age or to persons who appear intoxicated.
 - ii. The EmoryCard readers will be required to verify age, in addition to a valid state driver's license. Cost for this service will be borne by the sponsoring organization and must be reserved through the Office of Student Activities at least two weeks prior to the event.
 - iii. Security personnel will be required at registered campus events when alcoholic beverages are present and must be present where IDs are being checked. The sponsoring group(s) will be responsible for all security-related costs. Arrangements for security personnel will be determined through consultation with the Office of Student Activities and/or the proprietor of the facility in which the event is to be held.
 - iv. At social functions where alcoholic beverages are provided by the sponsoring organization, direct access to alcoholic beverages must be limited to a person(s)

designated as the server(s). Approved, trained servers must be used for serving alcoholic beverages at all events.

- v. Consumption of alcoholic beverages is permitted only within the approved area designated for the event. f. An equivalent amount (volume) of non-alcoholic beverages must be provided to the amount of alcoholic beverages being served. At no time shall alcoholic beverages be served where there are not non-alcoholic beverages and food available.
 - vi. No social event shall include any form of “drinking contest” in its activities or promotion.
 - vii. Unless the event is BYOB, no reference to alcoholic beverages may be made by the sponsoring group(s) in their promotional material.
 - viii. For all registered events, the number in attendance is limited to the number of persons that may safely and reasonably be accommodated in the facility where the event is to be held, in compliance with local fire regulations and other considerations of safety.
- C. Alcoholic beverages may not be possessed, consumed, or served at University intramural sports contests or University intercollegiate athletic contests. Enforcement will be under the authority of the Director of Athletics or his/her staff, as appropriate.
- D. Neither Emory University’s name nor the names of its organizations may be used with any commercial sponsorship relating to alcoholic beverages, i.e. beer distributors, beverage company.
- E. Policy Violations**
- 1. Violations Referral: Depending on the nature of the infraction, alleged violations of this policy by an individual student shall be referred to The Office of Student Conduct, the Counseling Center or other appropriate programs, and/or to the Division of Campus Life Alcohol Judicial Council.
 - 2. Sanctions: The Office of Student Conduct and/or the Alcohol Judicial Council shall have the authority to make appropriate referrals and to impose on students and student organizations such sanctions for violations of the Alcohol Policy as it may deem appropriate, including but not limited to, fines, mandatory community service, loss of social privileges, and/or oral or written reprimand.

Additional Policies Regarding Alcohol

- A. All student organizations chartered by the Student Government Association are under the jurisdiction of the Student Government Association and its policies.
- B. Fraternities and sororities must comply with their respective national organizations’ alcohol policies, the IFC and ISC policies and the policies of the Office of Sorority and Fraternity Life.
- C. Residence Hall events must comply with the Office of Residence Life policies.

For further information and assistance, please contact the following:

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Office of Sorority and Fraternity Life

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Office of Residence Life

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