

West Texas A&M University Procedure

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Tailgate Events with Alcohol at Home Football Games

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Supplements System Policy 34.03 and System Regulation 34.03.01

1. INTRODUCTION

West Texas A&M University has designated an area adjacent to the Kimbrough Memorial Stadium south parking area for the purpose of providing a location where groups may have alcoholic beverages in conjunction with home football game tailgate parties. This area is an approved location as designated in System Policy 34.03 (Purchase, Service and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages).

2. PROCEDURES AND RESTRICTIONS

- 2.1 Tailgating activities, including the service and consumption of alcohol in the designated area is only permitted on the day of the home football game, commencing no more than six (6) hours prior to kickoff for a Saturday evening game, no more than four (4) hours prior to kickoff for a Saturday afternoon game and no more than three (3) hours prior to kickoff for a weeknight game. Tailgating will end when the game begins. Tailgating permits are required for access to the tailgate area where alcohol is allowed. Permits will be issued at the time access is granted and must be displayed at all times. Consumption of alcohol is prohibited during the game and at half-time. The sponsoring organization or group is responsible for cleaning up the area prior to the start of the game.
- 2.2 Alcoholic beverages may not be sold at the designated area nor may any entry fee be paid to any event where alcohol is served.
- 2.3 The University reserves the right to restrict vehicles and designate parking spaces for safety reasons.
- 2.4 The following are prohibited: beer kegs, party balls, multi-quart containers of beer, and all drinking paraphernalia (funnels, beer bong, etc.) and drinking games of any sort.
- 2.5 Persons who are 21 years of age and who intend to drink alcoholic beverages must acquire a wristband from a designated University official and wear it while in the area.
- 2.6 Glass containers are not permitted in the designated area or stadium parking lot.

- 2.7 Alcohol and alcoholic beverage containers are not permitted inside Kimbrough Memorial Stadium, the Stadium parking lot or in the Rodeo Arena. Tailgate parties without alcoholic beverages may occupy the designated areas of the stadium's south parking lot.
- 2.8. The University Police Department will assign an adequate number of police officers to the designated tailgate area in order to provide a safe environment for all participants.
- 2.9 Sponsorships or underwriting of events in the designated area shall exclude promotion of alcoholic beverages.

3. ADHERANCE TO STATE LAW AND UNIVERSITY RULES

In all cases, possession or consumption of alcohol must be in full compliance with applicable State laws including the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code as well as the WTAMU *Code of Student Life*. Failure of an individual or group to abide by State law or these rules could result in the termination of the group's activities in the designated tailgate area. The University reserves the right to deny access to any or all individuals or group of individuals based on the best interest of the University.

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