

**Towson University
Fraternity & Sorority Life
Social Event Requirements**

Purpose

The purpose of these requirements is to promote the management of risk associated with the use of alcohol. Additionally, this document reinforces policies set forth by the international fraternities and sororities represented at Towson University.

I. Definition of Terms

A. Host Chapter: Any fraternity or sorority ch9 0 h9 0 h9 0 h9 0.h9 0.lnt

H. House Parties (i.e. row homes, satellite homes, apartment units, etc.) are not allowed since chapters do not have officially recognized chapter houses. These types of parties are prohibited by the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life.

I. Pre-gaming: “Pre-games” are considered a chapter event and are not allowed according to the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life policies and regulations. This is in direct violation of insurance restrictions and section G of this section.

J. Theme Parties: Parties with themes will not be approved by the Office of fraternity and Sorority Life.

III. Requirements for Social Events with Alcohol at a Third Party Vendor

- A.** The chapter must fill out an event registration form.
- B.** The sponsoring chapter(s) must obtain proof of the establishment’s liquor license unless it is already on file with the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life.
- C.** The third party vendor must provide proof of insurance to the sponsoring chapter (s). A minimum of \$1,000,000.00 General and Liquor Liability Insurance is required.
- D.** Chapters must agree in writing with the vendor to cash sales only, collected by the vendor, during the event. Alcohol may not be purchased through the chapter treasury or on behalf of the chapter. This includes “passing the hat,” pooling funds, slush funds, etc.
- E.** It is mandatory that transportation be arranged by the chapter to transport members and their guests to and from any third party event. Chapters may use cabs, safe rides by member’s personal cars, or rented busses.
- F.** A separate area of the restaurant/establishments must be set aside for members under 21, if the establishment allows them to enter.
- G.** No chapter may sponsor an event with an alcohol distributor or establishment where 50% of the distributor’s proceeds are generated from the sale of alcohol.
- H.** No members, collectively or individually, shall purchase for, serve to, or sell alcoholic beverages to anyone under the age of 21.
- I.** No one under the age of 21 may consume or possess alcohol. If guests appear visibly intoxicated, they will not be served.

- T.** No exotic dancers may be hired for any event.
- U.** No parties/celebrations are allowed for the following occasions: initiation, induction, big/little brother/sister, and revelations.
- V.** No fireworks or explosives may be at an event.
- W.** All events must follow Maryland, Baltimore County, CDC, and Towson University guidelines and restrictions regarding COVID-19.

IV. Social Event Notification

- A.** Each named chapter sponsoring an event, regardless of the location, is held responsible for all persons attending. All sponsoring groups shall follow their (inter)national policy to determine if they may sponsor an event.
- B.** Social Event Notification Forms must be submitted through the online portal one (1) week (7 days) in advance of social events.
- C.** A chapter facing charges for alleged violations of the Code of Student Conduct may not submit social event paperwork for approval pending the outcome of the disciplinary process. Exceptions can be made by the Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs and Campus Life.

V. Violations and Enforcement

Chapters that violate this policy are subject to sanctions set forth by the Office of Student Conduct and Civility Education and the office of Fraternity and Sorority Life.

- All students are required to download the CORQ app which is their Involved@TU source that includes a personalized QR code that they'll need to attend the social event.
- Student organizations will add the RSVP function to their event based on the space capacity.
- The event organizer will need to go through the Involved@TU Event Check in App training (virtually) prior to their event.