



## Purpose

The Greek Life Social Event Guidelines are to further assist Greek organizations to plan, promote, and host safe and responsible social events. These guidelines are a continuation of the [Auburn University Student Organization Social Event Policy](#) and are to be followed by each Greek organization at Auburn. These guidelines will include specific requirements and recommendations concerning hosting a social event, especially those events that contain alcohol. All requirements must be followed, and recommendations should be considered.

## Social event

A social event is an organized event held on or off-campus that is social in nature. Any event including alcohol is defined as social. Examples include band parties, date parties, house parties, social events, formals, parent's events, alumni events, etc. Most social events include alcohol. When alcohol is present at events, there is a greater need to plan carefully to manage the additional risk involved. Social events must follow all chapter and Auburn University policies including complying with health and safety policies and procedures.

## Greek Life Social Event Guidelines

The set of guidelines below are listed as Greek Life requirements and recommendations. Greek Life requirements must be followed by all Greek organizations. Greek Life recommendations should be considered.

### Registration

Greek Life requires...

- Any social event or activity sponsored or endorsed by the Greek organization that occurs on or off-campus must be registered through AUinvolve at least seven (7) school days prior to the event.
- No social event may begin before 8:00 am and must end no later than midnight unless it is Friday-Saturday then it must end no later than 1:00 am the following morning.
- No social event may be hosted during the week of final exams.

### Alcohol Service Options

Greek Life requires that if alcohol is present, it must be either:

- Provided and sold on a per drink basis by a licensed and insured third-party vendor (e.g., restaurant, bar, caterer, etc.) The vendor and chapter must complete the [Third-Party Vendor Agreement Form](#) and it must be uploaded with the AUinvolve registration.
- Brought by individual members and guests through a bring your own beverage ("BYOB") system that is managed using an Alcohol Service Center.

Greek Life requires the Alcohol Service Center...

- Be a single location where Greek members/guests must store and safely retrieve alcohol.



Greek Life recommends the Alcohol Service Center...

- Be a single location where tickets are provided with one ticket per container of alcohol and the person must present the ticket to retrieve one container of alcohol at a time.

## Alcohol

Greek Life prohibits...

- Common sources of alcohol, including bulk quantities, kegs, common containers, or freely available container(s), which are not being served by a licensed and insured Third-Party Vendor.
- The presence of alcohol products above 15% alcohol by volume (“ABV”) is prohibited at any event, except when served at an event by a licensed and insured third-party vendor.
- Purchase of any alcoholic beverages with organization funds or funds pooled by members or guests.
- Drinking by members and guests who are under the legal drinking age (21 years old).
- Liquor on campus, including chapter houses and property.
- Shots, drinking games, or other activities that encourage inappropriate drinking behaviors.

Greek Life requires...

- Alcohol to be checked at event check-in by the sober event monitors and security to ensure the maximum alcoholic beverages per person are:
  - Six (6), twelve (12)-ounce can or plastic bottles of beer, wine coolers, seltzers, or malt beverages or 1 bottle of wine, not to exceed 750 ml (25.36oz).

## Security

Greek Life requires...

- Security any time alcohol is present.
- The security vendor and chapter must complete the [Third-Party Vendor Agreement Form](#) and it must be uploaded with the AUinvolve event registration.
- 2 guards at entry/exit with 1 additional guard at any other possible entries or exits.

Greek Life recommends...

- For security guards to be positioned in high-traffic areas of the social event.
- 1 additional guard per 100 Greek members/guests.
- These security companies have been vetted through Campus Safety and Security and are an option for chapters to use:
  - Holder Business Group; [holderbusinessgroup@gmail.com](mailto:holderbusinessgroup@gmail.com)
  - Screening Solution, S2 Event Security; [Bneely@screeningsolution.com](mailto:Bneely@screeningsolution.com)
  - IPIA; [ipia247agency@gmail.com](mailto:ipia247agency@gmail.com)



### **Sober Monitors**

Greek Life requires...

- A minimum of 4 sober monitors. If co-hosting an event with another organization, then each organization must have a minimum of 4 sober monitors.

Greek Life recommends...

- 1 sober monitor per 50 guests per organization.

### **Entry/Exit**

Greek Life requires...

- At minimum one entry/exit.
- Guest list to be checked at entry/exit by sober monitors and/or security.
- That security guards at entry/exit ID all attendees.
- That guests must be 19 years old or a student at Auburn University.

### **Guest List**

Greek Life requires...

- Guest lists are limited by the smaller of local fire or building code capacity of the event facility or host venue, or a three to one (3:1) guest to active member ratio.
- Attendance at any social event where alcohol is present to be by invitation only.
- Chapters to collect and secure a guest list at least 24 hours before the event.
- Chapters must follow their guest lists.
- Chapters must store their guest list in their files and must be able to provide the guest list in case of an emergency.

### **Food and Non-Alcoholic Drink**

Greek Life recommends...

- That free food and non-alcoholic beverages are provided and made available to the number of people in attendance.
- Food and non-alcoholic beverages should be contained within one centralized location.