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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.

For health, safety, and/or security reasons, Greek Life has the right to cancel events if the event is conducted in a manner inconsistent with the Auburn University policies and Greek Life guidelines, or in the case of a weather emergency.

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 the Greek Life requirements and recommendations. Greek Life requirements must be followed by all Greek organizations. Greek Life recommendations should be considered.

If the Greek organization is affiliated with a national/international organization whose policies are stricter than the Auburn University policies in whole, or in part, then Greek Life recommends the organization should follow the more restrictive policy.

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.

Note: Events registered less than seven (7) Auburn University business days prior to the scheduled event date may not be approved, regardless of the amount of money the group has already invested in the event. Any event that is registered late is not guaranteed to be approved.



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To reduce the likelihood of having an event denied, organizations should register events with as much notice as possible.

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.
- Alcohol or drugs at any event or activity related to the new member joining process (e.g., recruitment, intake, rush, etc.) No alcohol or drugs may be present if the event or activity is related to new member activities, meetings, or initiation into an organization, including but not limited to “bid day,” “big/little,” and ritual events.

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).



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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 and 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.
- These security companies have been vetted through Campus Safety and Security and are an option for chapters to use:
 - Holder Business Group; holderbusinessgrp@gmail.com
 - Screening Solution, S2 Event Security; Bneely@screeningsolution.com
 - IPIA; 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 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. (See below for requirements at fraternity houses.)
- Attendance at any social event where alcohol is present is 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 finalize and upload their guest list to AUinvolve at least 24 hours prior to the event. Only members and guests on the final guest list shall be granted entry to the event.



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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.

Game Day Events

A “Game Day Event” is any event with alcohol hosted by a Greek organization on the day of an Auburn University home football game. A Game Day Event may occur prior to the start of a game and must end thirty (30) minutes prior to the start of a game. These events do not need to be registered in the AUinvolve event registration system.