

34.03.99.R0.02 **Alcoholic Beverages at University-Sanctioned Tailgate Events**

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Procedure Summary

The purchase, service, possession, and consumption of alcoholic beverages in facilities under the control of East Texas A&M University shall in all respects comply with state law and the guidelines established under system policy *34.03 Alcoholic Beverages*.

This procedure provides guidelines within the university to govern the service, possession, and consumption of alcoholic beverages at a university-sanctioned tailgate event at a location approved by the university.

Procedures and Responsibilities

1. GENERAL

Possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages will not be permitted except in special use buildings and facilities as may be designated by the President, approved by the chancellor, and subsequently reported to The Texas A&M University System Board of Regents on an annual basis. The President or designee must approve each request to serve alcoholic beverages at university-sanctioned events.

2. TAILGATING ACTIVITIES

2.1 Tailgating activities, including the service and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages, is only permitted on the day of a home athletic game.

2.2 Tailgating is permitted exclusively in locations specifically designated and approved by the university. Such locations may change on a per event basis. Furthermore, individuals or organizations may be required to purchase or secure permits indicating specific spots or locations where the individual or organization may tailgate within the designated area. Such permits can be obtained from the Athletics Department.

Permits for alumni and the community may be obtained from the Athletics Department, and permits for students or student organizations may be requested through the Center for Student Engagement. Permits must be displayed at all times and returned to proper authorities when leaving the tailgate area.

*Additional policies apply to registered student organizations participating in Tailgate. A full list of policies can be obtained from the Center for Student Engagement.

2.3 The organization or individual engaged in tailgating activities is responsible for cleaning up their area prior to vacating the tailgating area. Trash must be disposed of properly in the provided trash receptacles.

2.4 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.

3. RESTRICTIONS

3.1 Kegs, party balls, multi-quart containers of alcohol, and activities or drinking paraphernalia (funnels, bongs, etc.) that involve excessive consumption of alcohol are prohibited.

3.2 Individuals who arrive at the tailgate area intoxicated will not be permitted.

3.3 Alcoholic beverages cannot be included in the price of admission to an event and cannot be advertised as part of an event that sells tickets.

3.3 No animals are permitted at tailgate except for registered service animals.

3.4 The University is not responsible for any lost, stolen, or damaged property of tailgate participants.

3.5 The university reserves the right to restrict vehicles and designate parking spaces for safety reasons.

Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements

System Policy [34.03 Alcoholic Beverages](#)

University Procedure [34.03.01.R0.01 Alcoholic Beverages on University Property](#)

Appendix

[East Texas A&M Football Game Day Guide A to Z](#)

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