

Healthy Gator 2010 Alcohol Policy Recommendations Summer, 2006

Special thanks Chris Cupoli and Chris Bullins who led the Subcommittee which proposed the following recommendations:

1. Event Sponsorship by Alcohol Distributors
Event sponsorship should be prohibited by any alcohol distributor that generates 51% or more of its gross annual revenue from the sale of alcohol.
2. Advertisement
No reference to alcohol containing beverages should be made on any form of University sponsored advertisement.
3. Location/Venues
Any event funded by A&S fees where alcohol is served must be conducted at a location participating in the Responsible Vendor Program.
4. Off-Campus Events
Any event sponsored by A&S fees, must follow the Best Practice guidelines outlined in the following website <http://www.ufsa.ufl.edu/ovp/alcohol/policies/policy.html> . Organizers of all other events are encouraged but not required to follow these practices.
5. Kegs of alcoholic beverages.
Kegs will not be permitted on campus.
6. On-campus locations
Rules on locations where alcohol can be sold or served needs to be reviewed. For example, the UF Alcohol Policy lists the Golf Course, Housing (including the Villages), and Sorority and Fraternity houses as places alcohol can be served; these locations are not listed in the Protocol Handbook. [The Hilton University Hotel and Conference Center should also be listed as location where alcohol can be sold and served.](#)

In addition, the UF Alcohol Policy differentiates locations where alcohol can be served from those where it can be sold. The Protocol Handbook does not make such delineation and for consistency, these two documents should be consistent.

7. Review and approval processes

The review and approval process for student events where alcohol is served appears to be effective. The committee noted that processes for off-campus entities using UF facilities, as well as events hosted by UF departments, needs attention. Suggestions for improvements included having the Vice President for Finance and Administration review and approve off-campus requests to serve alcohol. In addition all events, [on campus](#), with alcohol need reviewing by the University Police Department to determine if officers should be assigned to staff the function.

8. Sorority and Fraternity Events

Sorority and fraternity events should only be BYOB (bring your own beer). The current option of allowing a third party bartender would conflict with Division of Alcohol and Tobacco state regulations.

In addition, all approvals for events with alcohol at sorority and fraternity houses should be reviewed by the Director of the Office of Sorority and Fraternity Affairs and not the Dean of Students.

9. International Travel Policies

Language in International Travel policies should clearly articulate whether a student who is not 21 is allowed to consume alcoholic beverages in a country in which he/she exceeds the local drinking age.

Discussion Items:

The Committee also suggested that the following issues undergo further review among primary stakeholders.

1. Should UF departments sponsor events with alcohol that have students in attendance?
 - The Healthy Gator 2010 Policy Committee encourages the leaders of the Faculty Senate to review any practices or policies which may promote ill-advised alcohol consumption among students.
 - Special attention should be directed towards liability issues and the social dynamics concerning alcohol use in higher education, including formal and informal settings, both on and off campus.
2. Should UF offer substance free housing options to students?
 - The Healthy Gator 2010 Policy Committee encourages Residence Life to consider the feasibility of implementing substance free housing.