

Inter-fraternity Council Social Policy Eastern Michigan University

Article I: Purpose and Scope of Authority

Section 1

The purpose of this policy is to ensure the safety, well-being, and responsible social behavior of the members of all Inter-fraternity Council Organizations.

Section 2

All Organizations affiliated with Eastern Michigan University's Inter-fraternity Council must act in accordance with this policy.

Section 3

This policy will govern the use of all organization houses; annex houses, events at third party vendors, as well as any other event that is hosted by the chapter where alcohol present defined by this policy.

Section 4

Events where alcohol is not present do not fall under this policy.

Article II: Definitions

Section 1

A party is any social gathering where alcohol is present and with a determined amount of non-members are in attendance with the host organization(s). The determined amount will be based off chapter size, with a minimum of 20 non-affiliated guests with chapters under 20 members. Chapter's non-affiliated guest count will be equal to the amount of members they have on the Chapter's roster, with a maximum of 35 guests in attendance.

Section 2

An annex is any dwelling that can be identified with any Inter-fraternity Council organization. The dwelling must be within ten miles of Eastern Michigan University, there must be at least four people living there, and 80% or more of the people living there must be affiliated with the same organization and on the active roster.

Section 3

A fraternity/sorority house is any dwelling that displays the organization's letters and/or houses the organization's charter or is designated by the organization as their house or facility.

Section 4

A third-party vendor event is an event that is held at another location other than a person's place of living such as a bar, hotel, or country club, where alcohol will be served. Third-Party vendors must have a liquor license.

Article III: Rules and Regulations

Section 1

Each organization must be aware of FIPG, all Eastern Michigan University policies, and all federal, state, and local laws as well as this policy and its appendices.

Subsection A:

Each organization must host a FastForward program pertaining to Eastern Michigan social policy and FIPG guidelines every year, with a minimum of 80% of active members in attendance. This must be completed within the first semester of each scholastic year.

Section 2

Party requests must be submitted to the Inter-Fraternity Council President and Executive Vice President, and Greek Life Advisor at least 72 hours before the start of the requested party. Requests must include:

- a) a list of sober monitors, with the amount being the maximum possible.
- b) A completed and approved Chapter Risk Management Plan
- c) If the form is turned into a council member in person five (5) days before the event then the council member will respond before the 72-hour deadline.
- d) If they do not, then actions may be taken against the council member. The event may not be held without approval.
- e) At least 24 hours before the party, the chapter must send the Inter-Fraternity Council President and Executive Vice President, and Greek Life Advisor a guest list and sober monitor list.

Section 3

The serving of alcohol must conclude at 1:15 am and the party must be cleared by 2:00 am.

Section 4

Each host organization must provide a minimum of three sober monitors per event. Prior to any event with more than forty-five guests, an additional sober monitor must be added to maintain a minimum ratio of one sober monitor per fifteen guests. If the event is hosted by multiple organizations then each organization is responsible for their own guests. Additionally, each sober monitor must wear an indicator, such as a lanyard, provided by the respective council at registered social events.

Section 5

All sober monitors must be registered as GLASS certified at the Greek Affairs office. One of the sober monitors must also be 21 years of age or a junior in standing.

Section 6

Attendees over the age of 21 must be marked with adhesive bar style wristbands.

Section 7

BYOB guidelines and procedures shall be as follows (this policy is for any registered event that does not have a third party vendor):

- a) Alcohol may only be brought to event by guests or members of the legal drinking age.
- b) Only persons of legal drinking age may consume or possess alcohol.
- c) The following stipulations apply per person per event: Maximum of six, twelve ounce cans/plastic bottles of beer/ wine coolers/ malt beverages.
- d) No glass containers allowed.
- e) No cases, twelve-packs, or other alcohol containers larger than six 12oz beers/wine coolers.
- f) No squeeze bottles, beer bong, party balls, pitchers, tumblers or other containers.
- g) The presence of alcohol products above 15% alcohol by volume ("ABV") is prohibited on any chapter/organization premises or at any event, except when served by a licensed and insured third-party vendor
- h) The host organization(s) should provide a number of cans or plastic bottles of non-alcoholic beverages at least equal to the total number of people in attendance of event.
- i) An ample supply of non-salty foods must be available.
- j) All Alcohol must be checked at the bar and exchanged for a punch card stating the brand of alcohol and number of containers.
- k) Any alcohol at the bar at closing time shall stay in a secure location at the event site until the following day, when it may be picked up.
- l) If the event is off chapter premises then transportation must be approved by the President or Executive Vice President of Inter Fraternity Council, and is someone outside of the host organization must approve it.
- m) The chapter/organization, members or guests must not permit, encourage, coerce, glorify or participate in any activities involving the rapid consumption of alcohol, such as drinking games.

Section 8

The following guidelines regarding the use of, distribution, or consumption of alcohol must be followed:

- a) Common sources of alcohol (kegs, jungle juice, cases, boxes of wine, etc)

including bulk quantities, which are not being served by a licensed third party vendor, are prohibited (i.e., amounts of alcohol greater than what a reasonable person should consume over the duration of an event).

- b) Alcoholic beverages must not be purchased with chapter/organizational funds or funds pooled by members or guests (e.g., admission fees, cover fees, collecting funds through digital apps, etc.).
- c) A chapter/organization must not co-host or co-sponsor, or in any way participate in, an activity or event with another group or entity that purchases or provides alcohol.

Section 9

The possession, sale, or use of ILLEGAL DRUGS or CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES while on an organization's premises or during an organization's event is strictly prohibited.

Section 10

Third-Party vendor event guidelines and procedures shall be as follows:

- a) No outside alcohol is allowed to be brought to the event
- b) Only persons of the legal drinking age may consume or possess alcohol.
- c) No squeeze bottles, beer bong, party balls, tumblers or other containers.
- d) There should be a choice of non-alcoholic beverages that can serve every person in attendance of the event.
- e) An ample supply of non-salty foods must be available.
- f) Transportation must be approved by the President or Executive Vice President of Inter Fraternity Council. Someone outside of the host organization must approve it.
- g) Must complete the FIPG: Third-Party Vendor Checklist

Section 11

No more than three registered events may be held on the same day by any individual Greek Letter organization, with the exception of Homecoming and Formals. No organization may have any registered event until 10 days after their prior event(s).

Section 12

No chapter may co-sponsor an event with an alcohol distributor or tavern (a tavern is defined as an establishment generating more than half of annual gross sales from alcohol) at which alcohol is given away, sold or otherwise provided to those present. This includes any event held in, at or on the property of a tavern as defined above for purposes of fundraising. Chapters may rent a room at a tavern if it is a closed event.

Section 13

All Inter-fraternity Council organizations who wish to host events that fall under this policy must have liability insurance.

Section 14

Any event or activity related to the new member joining process (e.g., recruitment, intake, rush, etc.) must be substance free. 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 night,” “big/little” events or activities, “family” events or activities, and any ritual or ceremony.

Section 15

Two hours before any BYOB, a member of Judicial Board and a member of Council will inspect and complete a checklist created by the Judicial Board and Chapter Presidents. The party may not commence until all requirements are met.

Article IV: Attendees

Section 1

Members associated with a host organization may invite up to but no more than three guests per member per event and must not exceed local fire or building code capacity of the chapter/organizational premises or host venue.

Section 2

A guest list must also be present at the entry door of host organization’s event.

Section 3

All people attending a party must have a valid state issued I.D. on their person during the event.

Article V: Violations

Section 1

A violation will be defined as any act that contradicts the regulations set forth in this policy.

Section 2

All infractions will be heard and judged in accordance to the rules and regulations of the council in which the organization is affiliated.

Article VI: Corollary Policies

Section 1

Petitions to hold events that are in conflict with, or outside of the scope of this

policy, must be filed five business days prior to the event. The Greek Affairs Advisor must approve the petition before the event may be held.

Article VII: Amendments

Section 1

Any proposed amendment must be tabled for at least two weeks.

Section 2

Any amendment will require a 3/4 vote of organizations in good standing as defined by the Inter-fraternity Council's constitution.