

Tailgating

Policy 106.2

1 Introduction

2 Scope

2.1 This policy applies to all faculty, staff, students, as well as visitors to campus or non-campus property.

3 Definitions

3.1 Tailgating

Tailgating is defined as parking in a designated location or area and/or setting up non-permanent facilities (such as tents and tables) to consume food and beverages prior to an officially sanctioned University event to which the public is invited and the event has been approved for tailgating. If the Chancellor or the Chancellor's designee pre-approves the consumption of alcohol for a specific tailgating event, only malt beverages and unfortified wine may be consumed by individuals twenty-one (21) years of age or older.

4 Policy and Procedure Statements

4.1 Conduct

4.1.1 Individuals attending events at Appalachian State University are expected to conduct themselves in a manner respectful of the nature and character of the university. Persons acting in a disruptive, disrespectful or disorderly manner may be asked to leave the premises or be subject to citation. Students may also be charged with a violation of the [Code of Student Conduct](#).

4.1.2 Appalachian State University does not sanction the consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages by underage persons; nor does it sanction the violation of federal, state or local laws.

4.2 Tailgating Areas/Times

4.2.1 Tailgating will be permitted only in the following areas or those parking lots adjacent to the facilities listed below unless otherwise stipulated by the University Administration:

1. Broyhill Music Building Lot
2. Champions Lot
3. Chemistry and Physics (CAP) Lot
4. Duck Pond Field
5. Durham Park
6. Edwin Duncan Hall Lot
7. Greenwood Lot
8. Holmes Center Lot
9. John Thomas Hall Lot
10. Justice/Coltrane Hall Lot
11. Katharine Harper Hall Lot
12. Legends Lot
13. Library Parking Deck
14. Peacock Lot
15. Rivers Street Parking Deck
16. South Lot
17. Stadium Lot
18. Student Recreation Center Lot
19. The Schaefer Center for the Performing Arts Lot
20. University Drive Parking Spaces

4.2.2 The above designated areas are the only locations approved for tailgating with alcohol. Consumption of alcohol outside designated areas and/or time periods constitutes a violation of Appalachian State University Tailgating Policy. Violators are subject to prosecution under the Appalachian State University Code of Student Conduct (see

<http://studentconduct.appstate.edu>), the ordinances of the Town of Boone, and the laws of the State of North Carolina.

4.2.3 Alcohol consumption will not be permitted in any area including tailgate sites during the event.

4.2.4 Tailgating is limited to the space directly behind your parked vehicle. Roadways cannot be blocked for any reason and more than one parking spot cannot be used.

4.2.5 Motor homes must receive prior approval from the Parking & Traffic Office to park in campus parking lots the night before an event.

4.2.6 Tailgating sites will not open on weekends prior to 9:00 A.M. and on weekdays before 5:00 P.M. unless otherwise announced.

4.2.7 Tailgating will not be permitted during the event, but will be allowed for one hour after an event.

4.2.8 Organizations that receive approval for tailgating are responsible for ensuring adequate public restroom facilities are available for tailgaters. If University buildings are closed the sponsoring organization will need to provide port-a-johns.

4.2.9 With respect to any non-University owned property that might be leased for additional event parking, whether and when tailgating is permitted may be subject to further restrictions or prohibited altogether. If tailgating is permitted, this policy will apply unless otherwise indicated. Individuals wishing to tailgate on any non-University owned property are expected to seek clarification as to what activity is permitted.

4.3 Consumption of Alcohol

4.3.1 Consistent with North Carolina State Law, only malt beverages and unfortified wine may be possessed or consumed. Spirituous liquor (including mixed drinks) is NOT permitted.

4.3.2 Kegs and other common containers are not allowed at any time.

4.3.3 Glass containers are not allowed.

4.3.4 Drinking games, including but not limited to, beer pong, and the use of devices intended to accelerate the consumption of alcohol, including, but not limited to funnels or beer bongs, are prohibited.

4.3.5 Any participant who consumes alcoholic beverages at such events must be able to produce a valid driver's license or other photo ID that reflects the person's age upon request.

4.3.6 Consumption of alcoholic beverages on any other part of the campus or on public sidewalks and streets that run through or are adjacent to the campus is prohibited.

4.3.7 Consumption of alcoholic beverages may begin no more than 3 ½ hours before the starting time of the event. Consumption of alcoholic beverages during the event is prohibited. Consumption of alcoholic beverages will be permitted after the event has officially concluded and for up to one hour thereafter.

4.4 Consumption and Preparation of Food

4.4.1 No food may be sold without proper University permit (either Food Services and/or Athletics).

4.4.2 Propane and charcoal grills are the only permissible sources of heat for cooking. Burned coals and/or residue from cooking may not be permitted to make contact with the paved surface of the parking lot. Hot coals must be completely extinguished with water prior to leaving the tailgating site.

4.4.3 Open flame fires, including fire pits, are prohibited.

4.5 Trash

4.5.1 All groups and individuals participating in tailgating are responsible for proper disposal of their trash and other debris such as charcoal. Recycling is strongly encouraged.

4.5.2 Trash containers will be provided throughout campus.

4.6 Solicitation

4.6.1 No sales activities are allowed on the Appalachian State University campus, including any/all tailgating areas, without permission from the appropriate University office, i.e. Athletics and/or Center for Student Involvement and Leadership. [See](#)

[Facility Use Policy, Section 4.9 – Solicitation and Solicitors](#)

4.6.2 Only Appalachian State University Athletics or their designated representatives will be allowed to sell merchandise at athletic events.

4.7 Structures

4.7.1 No permanent or semi-permanent structures may be constructed or placed for any activity on University grounds except by authority of the Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs or the Vice Chancellor for Student Development [Facility Use Policy, Section 5 – Use of University Grounds and Exterior Facilities, Resource Manual](#).

4.8 Tobacco and Related Product Restrictions on University Property

4.8.1 The use of tobacco and related products on University property is prohibited except in accordance with University Policy 303.25 Tobacco and Related Product Restrictions on University Property.

4.8.2 Smoking, any other use of tobacco products and vaping are prohibited on University property except where expressly allowed. Designated smoking locations are identified on the map linked in http://policy.appstate.edu/Tobacco_and_Related_Product_Restrictions_on_University_Property [Policy 303.25].

4.8.3 Littering is prohibited on campus. Smoking materials must be disposed of properly.

5 Additional References

[Alcoholic Beverages \(Policy 106.1\)](#)

[Events Involving Possession and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages Procedural Checklist \(Policy 106.2\)](#)

[Tobacco and Related Product Restrictions on University Property \(Policy 303.25\) \(includes map indicating designated smoking locations\)](#)

6 Authority

The [UNC Policy Manual, Chapter 100.1, Section 502](#)

7 Contact Information

Public Safety and Risk Management 828.262.2150

8 Original Effective Date

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9 Revision Dates

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