

SMC Residence Alcohol Code

These policies were enacted to ensure that SMC residents who choose to consume alcohol while on SMC property, do so safely, legally, and in a manner that respects the well-being and legal obligations of the College and its members. The following policies apply to all students living in residence at SMC as well as their guests:

1. No alcohol may be sold either directly or indirectly (tickets, memberships, clubs, etc) within residence buildings or outside on the College grounds.
2. No person under the age of 19 years may possess or consume alcohol in any area of the residence or College.
3. No person who is 19 years or older may provide alcohol directly or indirectly to anyone under the age of 19 years, or allow underage residents to consume alcohol in their residence room.
4. The consumption of alcohol is permitted by persons of legal age in only two areas of residence: a) individual residence rooms and b) house common rooms. Drinking in all other places including corridors, foyers, bathrooms, fire escapes, patios, or outside on any part of the College grounds, is prohibited.
5. Residents must obtain permission from their don before a formal social event involving alcohol may be held in a house common room. Dons are required to monitor all such events and to work with the event organizers to ensure that those under 19 do not consume alcohol.
6. The maximum capacity of house common rooms must be respected at all events involving alcohol.
7. No person may be intoxicated in any public area of the residence or College including house common rooms.
8. Drinking games that promote the rapid consumption of alcohol, or the use of instruments (e.g. funnels) to maximise or accelerate the consumption of alcohol, are prohibited in all areas of the residence and College. All activities that have excessive consumption or intoxication as their focus are prohibited.
9. Forcing or coercing people to drink alcohol is prohibited in all areas of the residence and College. Alcohol may not be used in hazing or initiation rituals.
10. A variety of light meals and non-alcoholic beverages must either be served, or available for purchase, at all events at which alcohol is served.
11. Alcohol may not be given to students as prizes by members of the St. Michael's Residence Council, the individual House Councils, or the dons.

12. Kegs of beer are prohibited in residence buildings and on College grounds.
13. All events involving alcohol that are hosted by St. Michael's Residence Council, the individual House Councils, or the dons are subject to the 'USMC Alcohol Policies for Student Sponsored Events'.
14. All advertising for events at which alcohol is available, whether on-campus or off, that has been designed, printed or commissioned by an SMC resident, may only make reference to alcohol in general terms (i.e. wine & cheese, licensed event, etc.) and may not mention specific alcohol products or providers.
15. Residents are responsible for the consequences of their own actions as well as the actions of their guests, whether or not they are under the influence of alcohol. Intoxication is not an excuse for delinquent behaviour.

Sanctions

The Dean of Students in conjunction with the residence dons are charged with administering the policies governing alcohol use in residence. Non-compliance with the terms of these policies may result in:

- Formal reprimands;
- Fines and/or restitution;
- Suspension from attending future campus events;
- Loss of privilege for the organizer(s) or sponsoring group, to host future events;
- Probationary status;
- Expulsion from residence;
- Formal charges under the 'UofT Code of Student Conduct';
- Legal liability.