

RESPONSIBLE PARTY GUIDE

DO YOU KNOW THE RISKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES YOU ACCEPT AS HOST OF A SOCIAL GATHERING? KNOW THE BASICS AND YOUR PARTY CAN BE FUN AND SAFE.

1. Know and abide by city, state and federal laws.
2. Have sober people monitor the event.
3. Control the distribution of alcohol.
4. Notify neighbors of the party.
5. Serve non-alcoholic beverages and food.
6. Provide safe transportation.

ALCOHOL LAWS

In Colorado it is illegal for persons under 21-years-old to possess, consume or purchase alcohol. Fort Collins has a strict open container law. If the seal is broken, you may be cited. It is illegal to sell alcohol without proper licensing. This includes selling cups at a house party.

CONTROLLING YOUR EVENT

1. For every 10 guests, have one sober person to help monitor the event.
2. Always have at least one person at every entrance/exit.
3. Pay special attention to alcohol consumption. Limit the amount of alcohol at the party based on the number of guests over 21-years-old.
4. Discourage guests from wandering away from designated party areas.
5. Always respect your neighbors.

STOP ALCOHOL POISONING*

SYMPTOMS OF ALCOHOL POISONING

1. Person is unconscious or semi-conscious and cannot be awakened.
2. Cold, clammy, pale or bluish skin.
3. Check to see if breathing is slow, less than eight breaths per minute, or irregular, with 10 seconds or more between breaths.
4. Vomiting while "sleeping" or passed out, and not waking up after vomiting.

IF A PERSON HAS ANY OF THESE SYMPTOMS, HE OR SHE IS SUFFERING FROM ACUTE ALCOHOL INTOXICATION.

1. Get help. Call someone, 911, an ambulance, public safety, someone who can help.
2. Do not leave the person alone. Turn the victim on his/her side to prevent choking in case of vomiting.
3. Always be "better safe than sorry" Your friend will thank you

***SOURCE: BACCHUS/GAMMA.**



MANAGE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

1. Clearly distinguish those who can and cannot drink alcohol. Ask those under 21 not to ruin the party for everyone by drinking and breaking the law.
2. Do not serve intoxicated individuals. It's against the law.

NEIGHBORHOOD RELATIONS

1. Write a letter to neighbors before hosting a party.
2. Ask neighbors to call you before they call the police if concerns arise, and provide them with your cell phone numbers.
3. Clean up any mess from your party as soon as possible.
4. Stay on good relations with your neighbors by offering your help in any way possible, such as, shoveling snow and raking leaves.

NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND FOOD

Not everyone at your party will wish to drink alcohol beverages. It is a smart idea to offer "other" drinks. Also, have plenty of food available.

SAFE TRANSPORTATION

Ram Ride and Shamrock Taxi are two alternative transportation services to help get guests home safely. Also, encourage the use of designated drivers. It's the easiest and most economical way to prevent drunk driving.



PHONE NUMBERS

EMERGENCY	911
FORT COLLINS POLICE	970-221-6540
CSU POLICE	970-491-6425
FIRE	970-221-6570
POISON CONTROL	1-800-332-3073
POUDRE VALLEY HOSPITAL	970-482-4111
RAM RIDE (Thursday • Friday • Saturday)	970-491-3333
SHAMROCK TAXI	970-686-5555

THE PURPOSE OF THIS GUIDE IS TO PROMOTE SAFETY AND RESPONSIBILITY AMONG CSU STUDENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY.

