PARTY SMART

• CHECK FIRST! Having parties could violate your lease, check with your landlord first.

• SOBER HOST! Agree on a sober party host to monitor and respond to complaints.

• SET HOUSE RULES! For example, only Sober Host and house residents will let guests in & talk to police and neighbors, use one door for entrance and exit, guests will come and go peacefully, park legally, no smoking inside.

• KEEP IT INSIDE! Crowds gathering on your porch/ lawn could cause noise complaints/police attention.

• UNDER 21 NO FUN! Even if they bring their own alcohol to the party, you can be held liable for serving underage people.

• KEEP TRACK! Know who’s in your place, lock or hide valuables, check IDs, have a guest list.

• GET THEM HOME SAFELY! Have Uber, cabs, bus and SaferRide App ready to assist.

• SKIP THE GAMES! Getting drunk fast rarely ends well.

• CLEAN IT UP! Don’t wait till daylight to clean up outside.

• KNOW THE LIQUOR LAWS! Flip this over and study up!

• REGISTER IT! Get a phone call warning and 20 minutes to end the party before Amherst Police shows up.

Sign up at:
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Student Union 314

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OFF CAMPUS STUDENT SERVICES

Off Campus Student Center www.umass.edu/offcampus
UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY STANDARDS

Remember the UMass Amherst Code of Student Conduct applies BOTH on and off campus.

MASSACHUSETTS STATE LAWS

• Minor in Possession of Alcohol Under 21:
  You could be arrested, jailed, fined and subject to CSC sanctions.

• Underage Driver Transporting Alcohol:
  Under 21 and driving a vehicle carrying alcohol means you could lose your license, be fined and subject to CSC sanctions.

• Failure to Disperse:
  If police order you to leave, do it immediately or you could be arrested.

• Providing to Minors:
  Selling or providing alcohol to someone under 21 can result in criminal charges.

• OUI:
  If arrested for operating under the influence, your license will be suspended. An arrest can result in loss of license, fines, higher insurance rates and CSC sanctions.

• Public Urination:
  Urinate in public, and you can be charged with indecent exposure.

LOCAL TOWN BYLAWS (AMHERST AND HADLEY)

Violations carry a $300 fine and/or arrest.

• Noise:
  Excessive noise that disturbs others is illegal. This includes loud music and yelling.

• Open Containers:
  Open containers of alcohol on public property are against the law at any age.

• Kegs:
  It’s illegal to have a keg without a permit. Get these through your local police department.

• Nuisance House:
  Throwing a rowdy off campus party can result in loss of your housing, fines, and CSC sanctions.

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