

**To ensure that student organized events involving alcohol are conducted in a safe and responsible manner, the following procedures have been developed.**

## **1) ORIENTATION IS A DRY EVENT**

Alcohol is not permitted at any orientation programming for undergraduate students.

**TIP:** Starting university is an important chapter. By having a dry week York aims to provide a safer experience by removing any pressure to drink, allowing all students to enjoy orientation.

## **2) OPEN BARS ARE NOT PERMITTED**

Recognized student organization-sponsored events that include alcohol must use a 3rd party vendor cash bar.

**TIP:** Bringing a limited amount of cash, and leaving debit or credit cards at home can help ensure that you stay within your consumption limit.

## **3) LEVIES CANNOT BE USED TO BUY ALCOHOL**

Student levy funds are not permitted to be used toward the purchase or subsidy of alcohol with the exception of those organizations that operate licensed venues.

**TIP:** Ensure that your event appeals to everyone by having a variety of activities that all attendees can engage in.

## **4) ONLY TWO DRINK TICKETS PER PERSON**

Students 19 and over may have the choice between tickets for alcohol or non-alcoholic beverages. Students under 19 must be provided a non-alcoholic drink ticket. Tickets are non-transferable.

**TIP:** Decide what your consumption limit will be for the night before you go to the event. A maximum of 2 tickets can be included with price of admission. Any additional drinks must be purchased at market value.

## **5) CREATE A SAFE PLAN TO GET HOME**

Information about transportation home after an event is to be communicated widely to event participants both prior to and during an event. This includes information about goSAFE, shuttle times, TTC closures, etc.

**TIP:** Planning your commute home is critical! Make sure to have a few options ready, especially if you plan to drive yourself home. Event organizers are responsible for providing information about transportation alternatives that attendees may use to get home safely.

## **6) ORGANIZATIONS CANNOT ACCEPT GIFTS**

In instances when a venue provides an incentive to book an event, student organizations are not permitted to accept gifts of alcohol (eg. bottle or booth service, complimentary drinks, differentiated pricing)

**TIP:** By not accepting these gifts, you can lessen the likelihood that attendees will feel pressured to drink. You are leaders at York and responsible for developing policies to minimize potential harms.

## **7) HAVE SOBER DESIGNATES**

A minimum of 2 executive or council members must remain sober during the event and be easily identifiable to attendees. If the attendance exceeds 100 attendees, there must be a ratio of 1 sober designate for every additional 50 people.

**TIP:** Having designated people who will stay sober ensures that resources and supports are available during the event.

## **8) GOVERNMENTS CAN HOLD ON CAMPUS PUB NIGHTS**

Student governments are permitted to hold on campus pub nights outside of licensed establishments at York.

**TIP:** Council members are responsible for ensuring that they adhere to all of York's policies and guidelines as well as other relevant University policies.