

**Tailgating Policies and Procedures** 

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### CONTACTS

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# STATEMENT OF POLICY

The University of Central Florida (UCF) is pleased to host these gatherings and to welcome all our guests to campus. To facilitate a safe and fun experience for our community, a renewed commitment to health and safety is essential for organizations who choose to tailgate. To protect our environment and our beautiful campus, we require all organizations, members, and guests to tailgate responsibly. **Each organization will abide by the outlined policy or face disciplinary action and/or revocation of privileges including but not limited to immediate cease and desist of tailgating, loss of tailgating and other event privileges afforded to registered student organizations at UCF, or individual student and/or organization disciplinary action.** 



# **REASON FOR THIS POLICY**

By offering clear policies and procedures regarding tailgating, UCF will see:

- Eventual reduction in organizational related conduct cases
- Removing alcohol from the center of the tailgate experience
- Fewer interactions with law enforcement
- Community guided accountability
- Respect and stewardship of UCF as a university for all students
- A safer environment for all

# **RESPONSIBILITIES AND EXPECTATIONS**

#### UCF Recognized Fraternities and Sororities will:

- Commit to following UCF Game Day Policies
- Submit a <u>SERF</u> form in compliance with FSL Policies regarding Tailgating.
- A completed registration includes signing this agreement and submitting a monthly SERF form. This should be done by the event coordinator (designated by organizations) and is good for one entire football season.
- Attend and participate in Sober Monitor Training prior to the first game of the season.
- Provide sober monitors with a 20:1 guest-to-member ratio. Sober monitors should be a cross section of membership. To determine the correct number of sober monitors, tailgate organizers should estimate attendance and plan accordingly.
- Sober Monitors will assure the event is operating in accordance with the Supplemental SERF submission and supervise attendance of non-members, including but not limited to alumni, guests, parents, and siblings where alcohol is present.
- If a guest list system is created, groups are encouraged to maintain and keep a guest list for one semester after tailgating season has ended.
- Provide at least one alcohol-free beverage option for attendees.



- Propane cooking grills are recommended. If using charcoal, carefully dispose of hot coals in designated barrels. All open-flame cooking must be a minimum of 10-feet away from any tent set up.
- Attendance at events with alcohol is subject to individual organization guidance. Organizations are responsible for following their organizational policy. If the organization does not have a guest to member ratio, then a 3:1 guest to member ratio should be followed.
- Develop a system for each game day to clearly identify who is of legal drinking age. Wrist banding system is encouraged.
- A-Frame organizational signs are allowed along with banners, flags, etc. to clearly identify organizational space.
- Plastic barricades are allowed to secure space and restrict access to organizational belongings.
- Require all members and guests to be respectful of university property and all the fans around them. Drunkenness, vandalism, obscene or harassing behavior and violence (or threats of violence) will not be tolerated and should be reported to the nearest law enforcement official.
- Understand unlawful possession, distribution, or use of any drug or controlled substance is prohibited on the UCF campus. Violators of this policy shall be subject to state and federal laws, city and county ordinances, and university disciplinary action.
- Ensure walkways are kept clear of tents, grills, furniture, speakers, and other tailgating items always. Require members and guests to put recyclables and trash in the containers provided throughout Memory Mall during and after tailgating has concluded.
- In the event of severe weather, all individuals will be asked to evacuate the Memory Mall area and seek appropriate shelter at the direction of UCFPD.
- The following are **always prohibited**:
  - Hard alcohol is not permitted. The presence of alcohol products above 15% alcohol by volume (ABV) will result in an immediate cease and desist of tailgating.
  - Portable generators will not be permitted.



- Any rapid, excessive, or irresponsible consumption of alcoholic beverages will not be tolerated and are grounds for removal from the tailgating area.
- Drinking contests or games or any other activities that promote, encourage, glorify the rapid and/or excessive consumption of alcoholic beverages.
- Common sources of alcohol, including bulk quantities (such as but not limited to kegs, water jugs used for premixed drinks, beer funnels, etc.).
- Couches and other non-outdoor furniture (such as but not limited to bar structures, troughs, shallow pools, benches, metal barricades, oversized wooden chairs, and Block Greek letters). Outdoor furniture is considered tents, chairs, and tables.
- Live bands, excessively loud, amplified sound systems, DJ equipment, and turntables unless prior approval by university officials is granted.
- Driving or parking vehicles on the grass. Drop offs must be done in the designated lot.
- Digging or placing stakes in the ground.
- Approaching or feeding any wildlife.
- Using any area as a restroom, other than those explicitly designated as
- Animals (except for registered service animals) are not allowed on campus on game day. Anyone who brings an animal that is not a registered service animal will be asked to take it home. Emotional support animals (ESA) are not considered service animals.

#### UCF Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life will:

- Provide Safe Tailgating Training to be attended by chapter representatives determined by FSL of chapters hosting tailgates prior to the first game of the season.
- Provide Sober Monitor Training to be attended by those the chapter designates as Sober monitors prior to the first game of the season.
- Review and approve submitted accountability and risk reduction plans on per semester basis.



- Through continued education and outreach, assist chapters in managing compliance to policies and expectations.
- Restrict tailgating for groups in non-compliance immediately, as needed.
- Work with chapters in non-compliance to discuss an action plan and address if participation in UCF tailgating can continue.

### UCF Knights on the Mall

- Tailgate spaces on Memory Mall can be reserved by current UCF Students.
- Each student is allowed to reserve one (1) space per game. If additional reservations are made by one individual, all duplicate reservations will be released.
- At the time of check-out, each reservation holder can list a second name that is permitted to check-into the tailgate space on game day. Ensure that the listed second name matches valid photo ID to presented at the time of check-in.
- Reservations will open at 6:00PM on the Sunday prior to each game.
- Separate reservations are needed for each individual game.

#### Greeks on the Green

- Tailgating spaces on Greeks on the Green will be reserved through Interfraternity Council (IFC) Executive Board.
- Interfraternity Council (IFC) Executive Board will be responsible for holding organizations accountable to all the above policies and procedures. Failure to hold organizations accountable will result in recommendations determine by OFSL.
- Each Greek affiliated chapter is allowed to reserve one (1) space per game.
- Adhere to the <u>NIC-Drugs and Alcohol Guidelines</u>. Alcoholic beverages must either be:
  - Provided and sold on a per-drink basis by a licensed and insured thirdparty vendor (e.g., restaurant, bar, caterer, etc.)
  - Brought by individual members and guests through a bring your own beverage ("BYOB") system.

Violations of policies and conditions set forth in this agreement will result in disciplinary action (SCAI and/or council judicial board), which **can include the loss of organizational privileges. This includes the ability to make future reservations and participate in programs.** By signing below, the group contact understands these conditions.



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UCF Registered Fraternity or Sorority President of \_\_\_\_\_

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UCF Registered Fraternity or Sorority Vice President or Designee of \_\_\_\_\_