Serving Alcohol at Berkeley Lab Events

BRIEF

Policy Summary

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- Department of Energy (DOE) funds must not be used to purchase alcoholic beverages. (See Events, Planning and Financial Policy, Section D.13.4.)
- Berkeley Lab personnel hosting off-site social gatherings are reminded of the general rule “to drink responsibly,” and that attendees under the age of 21 must not be served alcohol.
- Exception: For certain limited circumstances, alcohol may be served with prior written review and approval by the Laboratory Director or his authorized designee. Contact the office of the Laboratory’s Deputy Director for Operations for further information. To initiate an approval, complete this form.

Who Should Read This Policy

All persons considering a Berkeley Lab-sponsored event.

To Read the Full Policy, Go To:

The POLICY tab on this wiki page

Related Policies

- Events, Planning and Financial Policy, Section D.13.4
- Workplace Substance Abuse Policy

Contact Information

Berkeley Lab Deputy Director for Operations

POLICY

A. Purpose

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B. Persons Affected
Any individual or group considering a Berkeley Lab-sponsored event.

C. Exceptions

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E. Roles and Responsibilities

All persons hosting Berkeley Lab events are responsible for following the restrictions of this policy.

F. Definitions/Acronyms

None

G. Recordkeeping Requirements

None

H. Implementing Documents

None

I. Contact Information

Berkeley Lab Deputy Director for Operations

J. Revision History

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Document Information

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| Title:                              | Serving Alcohol at Berkeley Lab Events |
Source Requirements Documents

- National Minimum Drinking Age Act of 1984
- [California Health and Safety Code Section 11999-11999.3](#)
- DOE FAR 31.205-51, *Costs of Alcoholic Beverages*
- DOE Acquisition Letter AL-2012-05, *Meal Costs in Management and Operating Contracts*
- UCOP July 1, 2013 Letter, *Limited Service and Use of Alcoholic Beverages at LBNL*

Related Berkeley Lab Policies

- Berkeley Lab *Workplace Substance Abuse Policy*
- Berkeley Lab *Events, Planning and Financial Policy*, Section D.13.4

Implementing Documents

none