

Winthrop University Tailgating Policy

Definition

- **Tailgating** is defined as parking in a designated location/area and consuming food and beverages, **including alcohol for those INDIVIDUALS OF LEGAL AGE for the premises outlined below as specifically approved for public consumption of beer or wine therein**, prior to an intercollegiate athletic event.
- **WINTHROP UNIVERSITY DOES NOT SANCTION THE CONSUMPTION OR POSSESSION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES BY UNDERAGE PERSONS; NOR DOES IT SANCTION THE VIOLATION OF FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAW.**

Tailgating Areas/Times

- Tailgating will be typically permitted in the following areas only which are specifically approved for public consumption of beer or wine by those of legal age (unless additional locations are permitted for special events by the Director of Athletics and the VP for Student Life):
 - a) North and South paved parking lots at the Winthrop Coliseum.
 - b) Paved parking lot adjacent to Track/Soccer field
 - c) Paved softball parking lot
- Tailgating is limited to directly behind your parked vehicle. **Roadways cannot be blocked for any reason.**
- Oversized grills may be directed to a designated location (when available) determined by Coliseum parking attendants or Campus Police.
- Tailgating will not be permitted after the event starts or at the conclusion of any athletic event.

THE ABOVE DESIGNATED AREAS ARE THE ONLY LOCATIONS APPROVED FOR TAILGATING. Consumption of alcohol outside designated areas and/or time periods constitutes a violation of the Winthrop University tailgating policy. Violators are subject to prosecution under the Winthrop University Student Conduct Code, and the laws of the City of Rock Hill and the State of SC. *Winthrop University Campus Police will maintain an active presence and patrol during all tailgating activities and respond accordingly to any violations.*

- **The City of Rock Hill Ordinance regarding display or consumption of beer or wine in public place:** It shall be unlawful to openly display or consume any

beer or wine in or from any unsealed container on any public street or sidewalk, in any public parking area, or at any public gathering place, **excepting premises specifically licensed for public consumption of beer or wine therein**; provided that this charge shall not be asserted when any other charge is made relating to or growing out of consumption of beer, wine or whiskey. (Source: City of Rock Hill Municipal Code

<http://www.municode.com/Resources/gateway.asp?pid=10044&sid=40>)

Additional Tailgating Regulations

Prohibited Items

The following's items are **prohibited** in tailgating areas:

- RV's.
- Glass Containers.
- Household furniture (sofas, recliners, etc.).
- **Alcohol possessed by any person(s) under the age of 21.**

Tents are restricted to being:

- On the approved grassy area for the event.
- Directly behind a vehicle so that it does not obstruct traffic or infringe upon another parking space.
- No larger than 8'x8'.

Cleanup

- All participants will be responsible for complete cleanup of their tailgating area. This includes proper disposal of garbage and charcoal.

Conduct

- Individuals attending events at Winthrop University are expected to conduct themselves in a manner respectful of the nature and character of the University. Persons acting in a disruptive, disrespectful or disorderly manner may be asked to leave the premises or be subject to arrest. Students may also be charged with a violation of the Student Conduct Code.

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