

City and County of Denver

Department of Parks and Recreation

Alcohol Policy

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PURPOSE

This policy establishes the rules and regulations regarding the service, or sale and service, and the associated consumption, of Alcohol Beverages in Denver Parks and Recreation facilities and parks. It is the intention of the Department of Parks and Recreation to provide the citizens of Denver the broadest range of opportunities to enjoy its facilities and parks.

APPLICATION; EFFECTIVE DATES

This policy shall apply to Denver City Parks and Denver Mountain Parks. This policy shall be effective January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019, unless otherwise renewed by the Executive Director.

DEFINITIONS

Alcohol Beverage: The phrase "Alcohol Beverage," as used in this Policy, shall conform, at a minimum, to the definition and restrictions imposed by the Colorado Liquor Code under Article 47 of Title 12 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, as amended. This includes fermented malt beverage or malt liquor (beer); vinous liquor (wine or champagne); or spirituous liquor (hard liquor).

Permit: The phrase "permit." as used in this Policy, means a revocable and nontransferable permit issued by the Department of Parks and Recreation allowing for the use of specific park property. Permit types include, but are not limited to public event permits, special occasion permits, event facility permits, race/walk permits, athletic permits, tournament permits and assembly/demonstration permits.

Liquor License: The phrase "Liquor License," as used in this Policy, shall mean any license or permit issued by the Denver Department of Excise and License, the Colorado Department of Revenue, and/or other governmental authority as required by and in conformance with State laws and rules and regulations and Denver laws and rules and regulations regulating Alcohol Beverages.

Permit Resource Site means the web site located at denvergov.org/permits which contains documents, lists and other resources identified in this Alcohol Policy. Alternative means of obtaining this information are:

- A request for electronic copies sent to park.permits@denvergov.org;
- Direct pick-up at the Permitting Office located in the Wellington E. Webb Municipal Building, 201 West Colfax Avenue, 1st Floor, Denver, Colorado; and
- Any other means selected by the DPR Executive Director to make such documents, lists and resources available to the public.

SECTION 1: REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR DENVER PARKS AND RECREATION BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

The sale, service and consumption of Alcohol Beverages is prohibited in all Parks and Recreation buildings and facilities, except at the following Parks and Recreation buildings: 1)

buildings occupied by Concessionaires with concession licenses that specifically allow the sale, service and consumption of Alcohol Beverages on the licensed premises; 2) buildings for which an Event Facility Permit has been duly issued; 3) buildings occupied and used in accordance with a duly executed cooperative agreement with the City; 4) the Aqua Golf Clubhouse; 5) Harvard Gulch Clubhouse; 6) The Carla Madison Recreation Center rooftop event space;; 7) Buffalo Bill Museum; and 8) the Evergreen Lakehouse. The sale and/or service of Alcohol Beverages may be allowed by duly issued permit in recreation centers and senior centers subject to the following restrictions: 1) the sale and/or service of Alcohol Beverages shall be allowed only during those times when the recreation or senior center are closed to the public (for example, if the recreation or senior center is closed for a private event); 2) no access to weight rooms or swimming pools shall be allowed; and 3) permittee or user shall comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations.

SECTION 2: REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR DENVER PARKS AND OTHER OUTDOOR PUBLIC PLACES FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC (NOT ASSOCIATED WITH A PERMITTED ACTIVITY)

The consumption of Alcohol Beverages is prohibited in parks and other outdoor public places except for fermented malt beverage or malt liquor (beer) and vinous liquor (wine or champagne) or in association with a permit as may be conditioned by Sections 3 through 9 of this Policy. The sale or service of Alcohol Beverages is prohibited in parks and other outdoor public places unless associated with a permit as may be conditioned by Sections 3 through 9 of this Policy. Kegs and glass containers are prohibited.

SECTION 3: REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL PERMITTED ACTIVITY WITH ALCOHOL

The sale, service and consumption of Alcohol Beverages is allowed as may be conditioned in accordance with certain duly obtained park permits. Sections 4 through 10 below contain specific requirements, restrictions and prohibitions for specific permit types. The following requirements, restrictions and prohibitions apply to the sale or service of Alcohol Beverages in association with all permit types.

- If instructed by the DPR Permitting Office, the permittee shall contact the Denver Department of Excise and Licenses and obtain any required Liquor License as determined by the Denver Department of Excise and Licenses.
- Any Alcohol Beverages must be served or sold and served, and consumed, at the location(s) on the premises as specified in the Liquor License and as may be further restricted by the permit issued by Parks and Recreation.
- The permittee shall comply with all local, state and federal laws, rules, and regulation applicable to the sale and service of Alcohol Beverages.
- The permittee shall comply with all requirements and restrictions contained in this Policy.
- All alcohol sales and service of Alcohol Beverages shall conclude one (1) hour prior to the end of the permit but no later one (1) hour prior to park curfew.

- Selling or serving stations must be located a minimum of fifty feet (50') from a playground.
- Alcohol Beverages are prohibited from being served to the public in glass containers except under a permit where the permitted activity is exclusively indoors.
- If Alcohol Beverages are sold, the permittee is required to obtain and pay for off-duty Denver Police Officers from the beginning of alcohol service to the end of the event. An exception to this requirement may be granted by the DPR Executive Director upon the Applicant demonstrating, to the satisfaction of the DPR Executive Director, that an adequate alternative system of alcohol security will be provided.
- If instructed by the DPR Permitting Office, the permittee must obtain the appropriate Liquor Liability Insurance as may be required based upon the permit type.
- The permittee shall comply with requirements established by the Department of Parks and Recreation regarding Responsible Vendor Programs. Information regarding any such requirement can be found at the Permitting Resource Site.
- The Executive Director may establish special restrictions and requirements to any permit.

SECTION 4: REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR PUBLIC EVENT PERMITS WITH ALCOHOL (INCLUDING RACE/WALKS)

Permittees may be granted the right to serve and sell Alcohol Beverages under a duly issued Public Event permit. Permittees wishing to serve or sell and serve Alcohol Beverages under a duly issued Public Event Permit must agree to and comply with 1) the requirements and restrictions in Section 3 above; 2) all special requirements and restrictions imposed by the Director; and 3) all requirements and restrictions contained in the Public Event Policy.

SECTION 5: REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR SPECIAL OCCASION PERMITS

Special Occasion Permits are issued solely for private events at which all attendees are present by invitation only. Permittees may sell and/or serve Alcohol Beverages as a part of a duly issued Special Occasion Permit. Permittees wishing to serve or sell and serve Alcohol Beverages under a duly issued Special Occasion Permit must agree to and comply with 1) the requirements and restrictions in Section 3 above; and 2) all special requirements and restrictions imposed by the Director.

SECTION 6: REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR EVENT FACILITY PERMITS

Permittees may be granted the right to serve and sell Alcohol Beverages under a duly issued Event Facility permit. Permittees wishing to serve or sell and serve Alcohol Beverages under a duly issued Event Facility Permit must agree to and comply with 1) the requirements and restrictions in Section 3 above; and 2) all special requirements and restrictions imposed by the Director and the Event Facility Rental Policy.

SECTION 7: REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR ASSEMBLY/DEMONSTRATION PERMITS

The sale or service of Alcohol Beverages is prohibited in association with an Assembly or Demonstration Permit.

SECTION 8: REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR PICNIC PERMITS

The sale or service of Alcohol Beverages is prohibited in association with a Picnic Permit. The consumption of Alcohol Beverages by Picnic Permit attendees is restricted to fermented malt beverage or malt liquor (beer) and vinous liquor (wine or champagne). Kegs and glass containers are prohibited.

SECTION 9: REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR ATHLETIC PERMITS

The sale or service of Alcohol Beverages is prohibited in association with an Athletic Permit with the exception of a Tournament Permit. Permittees may be granted the right to serve and sell Alcohol Beverages under a duly issued Tournament permit. Permittees wishing to serve or sell and serve Alcohol Beverages under a duly issued Tournament permit must agree to and comply with 1) the requirements and restrictions in Section 3 above; 2) this Policy; 3) all special requirements and restrictions imposed by the Director; and 4) all requirements and restrictions of the issued Alcohol License (if applicable).and the Athletic Permit Policy