Alcohol

Summary/Purpose: Alcohol is not permitted in any residence hall on the University of Mississippi campus. This policy defines Student Housing and Residence Life’s expectations for residents and visitors.

The University of Mississippi abides by county and city laws. Students regardless of age, may not possess or consume alcoholic beverages within or around the residence halls. All alcohol offenses will include parental notification through the Dean of Students Office. As alcohol consumption is the No. 1 inhibitor of students' academic success on all college campuses, empty alcohol containers, beer bongs, or other evidence of prior alcohol consumption in student residences are not permitted. If an alcohol bottle or can collection is found in a student residence, it will be discarded and the students will face judicial action.

Residents are not allowed to host people with alcohol regardless of the guest's age. The Department of Student Housing and Residence Life staff reserves the right to stop people from bringing alcohol into the building(s).

Students and their guests may be asked to open all backpacks, bags, coolers and other containers when entering a residence hall. This procedure is a safety and security measure that prevents most of the unwanted or unauthorized materials from being brought into the halls. Students and guests may be denied entrance if they choose not to cooperate with this request.

Should any alcohol or evidence of prior consumption of alcohol be found in a student’s room, the student and the roommate will be found equally responsible for the alcohol. The roommate or another person present at the time of the incident may claim responsibility for the alcohol. If responsibility for the alcohol is not taken by a person or persons involved, the residents of the room in which the alcohol is found will take full responsibility through the student conduct process. If the incident involved only one roommate, only the roommate involved will be responsible for the alcohol.