


<b>First Unitarian Universalist Church Columbus, Ohio</b>		
<b>Chapter:</b> I. Conduct		<b>Source:</b> Arts and Space Committee
<b>Title:</b> Alcohol		
<b>Approved by:</b> Board of Trustees		<b>Date Approved:</b>
<b>Effective Date:</b>		<b>Date of Last Review:</b> 10/25/93(?)

A. **Policy:** The Board of Trustees has approved the following rules governing use of our facilities:

- Alcohol may be served at private functions, not open to the public, and attended only by those who are invited.
- The only alcoholic beverages to be served are beer, wine, or wine punch. Cocktails and “hard” liquor may not be served.
- Coffee, tea, pop, or nonalcoholic beverages must be offered and must be served in the same area and with the same emphasis as the alcoholic beverage(s).
- Food must be offered, such as substantial hors d’oeuvres or a meal.
- No alcoholic beverage may be sold.
- One or more persons must be assigned to the serving area at all times to monitor the amount of alcoholic beverage consumed by each person at the event. These persons should have the authority to refuse to serve any individual who appears to be overindulging.
- Transportation must be offered to any individual whose driving ability may be impaired.
- The person or group sponsoring the scheduled event is responsible for the behavior of all persons present and is legally responsible should any accident occur as a result of drinking alcoholic beverages. This responsibility extends to any accident or mishap on or off church property.

Rationale or Reference: First UU takes seriously its responsibility for safety at events taking place on its property. One aspect of safety is a responsible policy for serving alcoholic beverages.

B. **Procedures:** The person(s) sponsoring the event must sign a copy of this policy stating that he or she has read it carefully and clearly understands its importance and implications and will follow those rules.

The Office Administrator is responsible for informing users of this policy.

Amendment (as of 10/25/93(?))

Alcohol Policy: The Board adopted new policies permitting the serving of beer, wine, and wine punches at events taking place on church property; and establishing clear guidelines and responsibilities pertaining to the serving of alcohol. Alcoholic beverages may not be sold, and nonalcoholic beverages and food must be served along with alcohol. The person or group sponsoring the event is responsible for the behavior of persons attending the event and must sign a statement that he/she has read and understands the policy. The Church Administrator is responsible for informing users of this policy.

Previous policy required the Board to review requests for serving alcoholic beverages and to make decisions on an ad hoc basis.