

Tailgating Policy

University Policies

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Parking

1. Campus parking lots used for tailgating will be lot I and H. Lot J will be used for visitors' overflow parking. These parking lots will open four (4) hours prior to event start and must be cleared within 90 minutes of the event conclusion.
2. Recreational vehicles (RVs) may occupy only one parking space and are only allowed in parking lot I.
3. Parking spaces may not be reserved or saved for others. Individuals who want to tailgate adjacent to one another must arrive and enter parking lots at the same time.
4. Spaces are for parking only. Tailgating must be either in front of or behind vehicles and not in adjacent parking spaces.
5. Parking lot traffic-ways are not to be blocked for any reason and must remain open to vehicle traffic and emergency egress at all times.
6. Household furniture intended for interior use, such as couches and recliners are prohibited in parking lots and tailgating areas. Lawn or bag chairs, patio seating and other outdoor furniture should be used.

Tailgating: Possession and Consumption of Alcohol

Alcohol may be possessed and consumed during Griffon football game day tailgating activities within the rules outlined below and the Missouri Western Board of Governors Alcohol Policy.

1. Tailgating and consumption of alcohol shall cease no later than **15 minutes before** the event begins.
2. Kegs and other common bulk containers are not allowed at any time. Beverages must be packaged in containers of one liter or less in volume. No glass containers are allowed.
3. Possession and/or consumption of alcohol may take place only in parking lots I, H, and J. No one under the age of 21 is permitted to consume or possess alcohol; alcohol should be consumed in moderation and responsibly. Binge drinking or drinking to excess is prohibited.
4. Anyone possessing and/or consuming alcohol shall carry valid photo identification establishing that he/she is 21 years of age or older and comply with a request to show such identification when requested by law enforcement, security personnel or a university official.
5. Drinking games (including but not limited to beer pong) or other designed efforts that may promote excess drinking are prohibited.
6. In an effort to maintain a safe and responsible atmosphere, no one may possess or consume alcohol from any device or apparatus designed to consume alcohol at a greater-than-normal rate of speed (including but not limited to funnels or beer bongs).
7. The sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.
8. Possession and/or consumption of alcohol is prohibited outside of the designated tailgate lots of I, H, and J.
9. Failure to comply with this policy may result in (but not limited to) criminal charges, loss of tailgating privileges, immediate ejection from tailgating and/or campus, ban from campus grounds, and/or student disciplinary charges. Lots may be monitored for compliance with tailgating policy, code of conduct, and state law.
10. Widespread or blatant noncompliance with this policy may result in the immediate revocation of the policy for future events.
11. Visitors who use, consume or possess alcohol under this policy assume all responsibility and liability for any and all issues resulting from such matters related to alcohol. MWSU assumes no

liability or responsibility whatsoever for any and all issues that result from the use, possession or consumption of alcohol on its premises under this policy.

Trash and Recycling

Each individual is responsible for making sure that the tailgating area and grounds are maintained in a clean and orderly manner. No trash or recyclable items are to be discarded anywhere except in trash and/or recycling containers placed by the University throughout the tailgate areas. Littering of any form will not be tolerated.

For More Information

Responsible drinking is key. Name a designated driver or call for a ride instead of getting behind the wheel after drinking. If you or someone you know needs help for alcohol addiction, support groups and more information can be found at: <https://www.missouriwestern.edu/pip/alcohol/>.

For policy questions or clarification, please contact the MWSU Police Department at the 24-hour service line: 816-271-4438.