AMHERST COLLEGE
Department of Athletics

AMHERST COLLEGE ATHLETICS VISITOR POLICY & AUTHORIZATION

ALCOHOL POLICY

Under Massachusetts State Law:

1. A person must be 21 years of age to purchase or be served alcohol.

2. Purchase of an alcoholic beverage by a person under the legal drinking age or any arrangement with another person to procure such drinks is a crime punishable by a mandatory $300 fine.

At Amherst College, guests of any age may attend parties. However, if a party will use public space, be advertised, and/or use college funds and serve alcohol, then the party must be registered with the College. The party must have a student sponsor who ensures that underage persons are not served alcoholic beverages. Trained student security employees who will ensure that College policy is enforced will monitor the party. Campus Police Officers may make random inspections of parties to ensure that College policy and Massachusetts State Law are being adhered to. Non-alcoholic beverages are available at all College-sponsored parties. The sponsor of the party may have legal liability concerning the actions of guests; however, individuals are also responsible for their choices and actions. We encourage you to seek non-alcoholic beverages, which shall be equally accessible if you do attend a party.

Please be mindful that you are ultimately responsible for your own behavior and actions. Amherst coaches evaluate a recruit’s character and citizenship and are responsible for recruiting individuals who will share the College’s commitment to the highest standards of behavior and character. We expect that you uphold our standards of behavior throughout your visit because we do not want any action or violation to negatively influence your possible admission to Amherst College. To familiarize yourself with expected standards for behavior on campus, you should review the details of Amherst’s Honor Code at https://www.amherst.edu/campuslife/deanstudents/code/code.

Thank you for your good judgment!

IMPORTANT NUMBERS FOR GUESTS

Office of Department of Athletics Front Desk: (413) 542-8266 (Open Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)
Office of Department of Athletics Fax: (413) 542-2026
Dean of Students Office: (413) 542-2337
Campus Police Business Line: (413) 542-2291
Amherst Police, Fire, or Ambulance Emergency Line: (413) 542-2111 or Dial 911
Student Health Services: (413) 542-2266

NOTE: Campus Police should be called first for all on campus emergencies. Campus Police maintain direct communication with Amherst Emergency Services and will summon the appropriate service. Campus Police offices are located on the first floor of the Physical Plant Building and they are available 24 hours a day.

College Operator and Police Dispatch: The Campus Police Dispatchers also act as the college operators. Telephone numbers and general information may be sought by dialing zero (0) from any campus telephone or 413-542-2000 from other telephones. The Communications Center is located within the Campus Police offices and is open 24 hours a day. Operators and Dispatchers are not police officers, but will refer you to the on duty police officers to answer any questions or concerns regarding College policy or Massachusetts Laws. Operators and Dispatchers are also very familiar with the operation of the College and may refer you to the appropriate department or individual for specific information.

We hope your visit to Amherst College will be a pleasant and safe one. However, in the event of a problem, please make use of the information above.
EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Today’s Date: __________________________

Visiting Student Name: __________________________

Arrival Date: __________________________ Departure Date: __________________________

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name: __________________________

Home Address: __________________________

Home Phone Number: __________________________ Cell/ Evening Phone: __________________________

Special medical problems, allergies to medications or food:

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Emergency Contact Name: __________________________ Relationship to You: __________________________

Emergency Contact Phone Number: __________________________

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AUTHORIZATION

I have carefully read and reviewed the Amherst College Alcohol Policy, and the emergency contact information I have listed above. I hereby release, indemnify, and hold harmless Amherst College, its trustees, officers, agents, and employees from all liability, damage, or claim of any nature arising from my child’s participation in the Amherst College Overnight Hosting Program. In case of an emergency and we cannot be reached, I, the undersigned parent or guardian of the above-named child, authorize a representative of Amherst College to consent to any medical treatment or care deemed advisable.

_________________________________________       __________________________
Parent/Guardian                                      Date

_________________________________________       __________________________
Student Signature                                   Date

_________________________________________       __________________________
Host Signature                                       Date

_________________________________________       __________________________
Coach Signature                                     Date

Please retain a copy of this form for your records and return a signed copy of the EMERGENCY CONTACT & AUTHORIZATION page to the Amherst College Department of Athletics.