



CITY OF MADISON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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YOUTH SAFETY

Having a Party? Are We Invited?

How to Avoid Getting Our Attention

- 1. Know everyone there.**
Don't open up your party to the general public or people that you don't know. They do not always have your best interest in mind.
- 2. Keep the size of your party reasonable.**
You have no way of monitoring the behavior of too many guests. Most of the time it is the behavior of the guest that attracts our attention.
- 3. Be a responsible host.**
A host should maintain the ability to monitor the behavior, health and safety of the guests and be able to identify and report emergencies.
- 4. Monitor the noise level.**
Typically, parties are called to our attention because of excessive noise. Keep music and voices at a reasonable volume. What is "reasonable" will be determined by us based on complaints, the volume of the noise, your proximity to others and time of day/night. It helps to talk to your neighbors before having a party, and plan to end it at a reasonable hour.

**The Madison Police Department
wants you to have a safe
and enjoyable school year!**

- 5. Don't become a bar.**
If you are selling alcohol, or charging admission to enter your home to drink (selling cups to enter), you have become a bar and are selling/dispensing alcohol without a permit.
- 6. Keep alcohol inside or on your property.**
Discourage guests from leaving your home with open intoxicants. If they are on the street with their drinks, they can be issued a citation and will attract our attention to your party.

What To Do When We Show Up

- 1. Have one person responsible come outside and contact us.**
We are generally there because of a complaint, but may have other reasons to contact you. Refusing to contact us will not avoid a citation. We may go away, but we intend to contact you in the following days. You can be cited later, and the additional time we spend making contact with you will be reported to the Municipal Judge.
- 2. Be Cooperative.**
Bring identification with you when you contact us. Ask your guests to avoid trying to influence our decisions. Our experience is that they are rarely effective advocates. Debating the merits of a citation is best accomplished in court when no one has been drinking.





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Guidelines For Keeping Your Party Safe

- 1. Offer non-alcoholic beverages and food.**
This is just a matter of being a good host. Some people can't or don't want to drink alcohol.
- 2. Don't let intoxicated guests drive home or leave alone. You have assumed some responsibly for their behavior by serving them.**
Call Safe Ride/Walk or a cab.
- 3. Use Common Sense.**
Getting intoxicated can be dangerous. Monitor the behavior of your guests and avoid over serving them.
- 4. Attend parties with friends, and never walk home alone.**
If your guest(s) walk home, encourage the use of a buddy system.

Important Numbers

Police Emergency.....9-1-1

Non-Emergency

City of Madison Police608-266-4948

UW-Madison Police608-262-2957

City of Madison Self-Report ..608-245-3662

Crime Stoppers.....608-266-6014

Langdon St. Neighborhood Officer

211 S. Carroll St.608-577-5731

State St. Neighborhood Officer

211 S. Carroll St.608-438-1066

Central District Office

City-County Building608-261-9694

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Possible Fines

- City Ord. 38.01, State Statute 125.04(1), DISPENSING ALCOHOL WITHOUT A PERMIT. \$691
- City Ord. 38.031, State Statute 125.07(1)(a)1, PROCURING FOR OR FURNISHING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES TO UNDERAGE PERSON. 1st Violation \$376; 2nd viol. w/in 30 months is a criminal charge.
- City Ord. 38.031, State Statute 125.07(4)(a)2, UNDERAGE PERSON POSSESSES OR CONSUMES ALCOHOL OFF LICENSED PREMISES. 1st violation \$376; 2nd conv. w/in 12 mos. \$439
- City Ord. 38.07(7), State Statute 125.10(1), UNLAWFUL TO POSSESS OPEN CONTAINER OF /OR CONSUME ALCOHOL BEVERAGE ON A PUBLIC STREET OR ALLEY (Except when street use permit obtained and temporary malt beverage license obtained for event). \$313
- City Ord. 24.04(3), RADIO, STEREO OR OTHER MECHANICAL OR ELECTRICAL DEVICE DISTURBING FROM BUILDING. Adult \$187; Juv. \$124
- City Ord. 24.04(1), PERSON MAKING UNREASONABLE NOISE
- City Ord. 24.02(1), DISORDERLY CONDUCT. \$439
- City Ord. 7.321, DEPOSITING HUMAN WASTE PRODUCTS REGULATED. Adult \$187, Juv. \$124

