



Special Event Guidelines Alcohol Permit Conditions

Any police officer or State ABC official may revoke your permit to provide, serve or sell alcohol during your event for violations of the rules and terms of your permit application or your final permit. The following conditions, unless specifically modified by the San Diego Chief of Police, are required by the San Diego Police Department:

San Diego Police Department Alcohol Management Permit Conditions

- The sales, services, and consumption of permitted alcoholic beverages must take place in a designated “beer garden” area.
- No additional dispensing points outside the beer garden(s) shall be authorized.
- No person under the age of 21 years, including service staff, shall be inside a beer garden during the hours authorized for consumption.
- Each time a person enters or re-enters a beer garden, the person’s age shall be verified with identification. The use of hand stamps or wrist bands to verify age is discouraged.
- Alcoholic beverages can only be sold or provided to people 21 years or older.
- All distribution of alcoholic beverages must be performed by designated, trained (LEAD training or equivalent) event staff.
- Patrons shall not take alcoholic beverages from or be allowed to bring alcoholic beverages into designated “beer garden” area(s).
- Animals, except properly restrained service animals, are prohibited from entering the beer garden(s).
- All alcoholic beverages must be consumed from a single serving container that complies with the following guidelines:
 - 16 ounce cup or smaller for beer.
 - 5 ounce cup or smaller for wine.
 - No more than 1 ounce of hard liquor/spirits stand alone or in a pre-mixed drink served in a 5-ounce or smaller cup.
 - Smaller serving sizes may be required based on beverage type.



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- Glass containers cannot be provided to patrons.
- The use of beer luges, drinking funnels, free pouring, etc. is prohibited.
- Licensed private security guard(s) shall be present at each entrance and exit to count occupancy. An accurate crowd count at all time must be readily available to city representatives.
- Licensed private security guard(s) shall be present to check identification for the purposes of verifying that people entering the beer garden are 21 years of age or older.
- Licensed private security guard(s) shall be present in the area where consumption is taking place at all times that the license privileges are being exercised.
- Commencement of alcohol service shall not begin prior to the start time of the event. Last service shall be conducted no later than one-half hour prior to the end of the event.
- The Host Organization is responsible for resolving any problems associated with the event and/or issues of concern raised by neighbors.
- Liquor Liability Insurance naming the City of San Diego, its officers, employees and agents must be provided.