UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND

Policy Manual

PRPolicy #:	PRM-1008	**Policy Title:**	University Tailgating Policy
Effective:	02/15/2025	**Responsible Office:**	Events, Conferences & Support Services
Date Approved:	02/08/2025	**Approval:**	Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer
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SCOPE:

This policy applies to all University spaces.

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PRM-1008.1 – Definitions

Tailgating is defined as parking in a designated location/area and/or setting up non-permanent facilities, such as pop-up tents and tables, to gather and consume food and beverages prior to an athletic event or other University event.

University Space includes all space owned or leased by the University, including both indoor and outdoor locations.

Sponsoring Group is defined as the University department or unit, registered student organization, or external organization or individual that is scheduling, directly overseeing, and paying for an event.

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All tailgating must occur within the areas, times, and other restrictions outlined by the University, including those outlined in this policy and related University policies.

Sponsoring groups that would like to host a game-day event that is not a tailgate must arrange the event with the Office of Events, Conferences & Support Services (See *PRM-1005 - University Events and Space Reservations Policy*).

Individuals attending events at the University of Richmond are expected to conduct themselves in a manner respectful of the nature and character of the University. Persons acting in a disruptive, disrespectful or disorderly manner may be asked to leave the premises or be subject to citation under applicable local and state laws. Students may also be charged with a violation of the Code of Student Conduct.

Tailgating Areas and Restrictions:
Tailgating with food and non-alcoholic beverages is permitted on all areas of campus. Possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages while tailgating is permitted only in the designated areas (parking lots C66 and C70 adjacent to the Robins Stadium).

Tailgating items such as pop-up tents, tables, grills, etc. must be confined to the space in which a vehicle is parked and may not occupy another parking space, and/or may not block roadways. Pop-up tents must be weighted to prevent damage.

Designated tailgating areas will open four hours before the official beginning of the event.

Tailgating is not permitted during the event, and all designated tailgating areas must be cleared within two hours after the conclusion of the event (except when a post-game event has been scheduled through the University).

Vehicles (including motor homes) are not permitted to park in campus parking lots the night before an event.

No animals will be permitted in the tailgate area (except service animals).

No household furniture will be permitted in the tailgate area, including, but not limited to, sofas, loveseats, and reclining chairs.

No bicycles, scooters, skateboards, or roller blades will be permitted in the tailgate area.

Consumption of Alcohol:
Consumption of alcohol outside designated areas and/or time periods constitutes a violation of the University of Richmond tailgating policy. Violations are subject to conduct sanctions under the University of Richmond Code of Student Conduct, and prosecution under state and local law.

Possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages while tailgating is permitted only in non-glass containers, by persons of legal age, and within the designated tailgating areas.

Kegs and other common containers (mini-kegs, beer balls, etc.) are not allowed at any time.

Drinking games and the use of devices intended to accelerate the consumption of alcohol (including but not limited to funnels or beer bongs) are prohibited.

Any participant who consumes alcoholic beverages at such events must be able to produce a valid driver's license or other official photo identification that indicates the person's age upon request.

Consumption of alcoholic beverages outside of designated tailgating areas or on public streets that run through or are adjacent to campus is prohibited.

RELATED POLICIES:

PRM 4001 - Policy for Events with Alcohol on Campus

STU 1002 - Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Policy

FIN 4410 - Tent and Event Equipment Rental Policy

PRM 1005 - University Events and Space Reservations Policy

POLICY BACKGROUND:

Original policy created in July 7, 2013 with separate policies for Visting Teams and Home Fans. Policies merged and updated to reflect current facilities and locations and reviewed by President's Cabinet prior to approval in January 2025.

Non-substantive revisions made to update departments and titles on 12/03/2025

POLICY CONTACTS:

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