



What is Host Responsibility?

Adult Host Responsibility is a Maryland Law that holds an adult who knowingly and intentionally serves/provides an alcoholic beverage to a person he/she knows, or reasonably should know, is under the age of 21, liable for the person served and to any other person for damages resulting from the host's service of alcohol. It can even extend to adults and homeowners who are not on the premises and/or did not provide the alcohol.

65% of kids who drink report getting alcohol from family and friends.

State Laws and Consequences...

- Buying¹, furnishing or allowing youth under the age of 21 to consume or possess alcohol is illegal². Adults are civilly and legally liable.
- Adults could receive a \$2500 fine for the first offense, a \$5000 fine for the second offense. (An offense counts as one under 21 drinker; additional under age drinkers can count as additional offenses.)
- Servers/sellers of alcohol to are required to protect an intoxicated person from harming themselves or others. A server will be liable if negligence is proven.
- Homeowner and auto insurance companies may drop a policy.
- Home or not home, aware or unaware of the party you could be sued for:
 - Personal Injury
 - Alcohol Poisoning
 - Sexual Assault
 - Vandalism
 - Violence
 - Car Crashes: Death, Injuries and Car Damage

Who Is Hosting Your Teen?
Dad, Mom, Uncle, Aunt, Grandfather, Grandmother, Brother, Sister, Cousin, Friend, Friend's Family, Store Clerk, Bartender, Neighbor, Stranger

What to Do:

SAFEline: Call **301-670-SAFE** (7233) for information on hosting under 21 alcohol free events or to report an upcoming under 21 alcohol party, event or provider.

To report a party in progress, call the non-emergency police number for assistance **301-279-8000**. Call 911 if the party becomes dangerous or life threatening.

SAFEnet: Subscribe to SAFEnet; an online e-newsletter for alcohol related prevention information and to ask related questions. **SAFEnet@montgomerycountymd.gov**

For More Keeping It SAFE Materials Including Tips for...

- ✓ Hosting under 21 Parties
- ✓ Adult Social or Individual Host
- ✓ Corporate Hosts
- ✓ One Day Licensed Events
- ✓ On Sale Establishments (Restaurants)
- ✓ Off Sale Establishments (Beer & Wine Stores)
- ✓ Community Events
- ✓ Special Event Planners and Promoters

For more information contact:
Department of Liquor Control Outreach Office
(240) 777-1904

dlc@montgomerycountymd.gov
or visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov

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Responsabilidad Adulta del Anfitrión



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¿Cuál es la Responsabilidad del Anfitrión?

Adult Host Responsibility (Responsabilidad del Anfitrión Adulto) es una Ley del Estado de Maryland, que estipula que un adulto que a sabiendas e intencionalmente sirve/provee una bebida alcohólica a una persona que sabe o sospecha que es menor de 21 años, es responsable de daños a la persona servida y a cualquiera otra persona afectada por habersele servido alcohol. Hasta podría extenderse a adultos y dueños de casa que no estén presentes en la propiedad y/o no sirvieron alcohol.

El 65% de los jóvenes que beben reportan haber recibido el alcohol de familiares y amigos.

Leyes del Estado y Consecuencias...

- Comprar, suministrar o permitir que los jóvenes menores de 21 años consuman o posean alcohol es ilegal. Los adultos son civil y legalmente responsables.
- Los adultos pueden recibir una multa de \$2,500 por la primera ofensa, y una multa de \$5,000 por la segunda ofensa. (Una ofensa cuenta como un bebedor menor de 21 años; bebedores adicionales pueden contar como ofensas adicionales.)
- Las personas que sirven/venden alcohol tienen que proteger a una persona intoxicada de dañarse a sí misma o a otros. El servidor será responsable si se prueba negligencia.
- Las compañías de seguros de viviendas y automóviles pueden discontinuar una póliza.
- Esté o no esté en casa, sepa o no sepa de la fiesta, usted podría ser demandado/a por:
 - Daños Personales
 - Envenenamiento de Alcohol
 - Asalto Sexual
 - Vandalismo
 - Violencia
 - Accidentes de Automóvil: Muerte, Lesiones y Daños al Vehículo

¿Quién Es el Anfitrión de Su Adolescente?
Papá, Mamá, Tío, Tía, Abuelo, Abuela, Hermano, Hermana, Primo, Amigo, Familia del Amigo, Empleado de una Tienda, Empleado de un Bar, Vecino, Desconocido

Qué Hacer:

SAFEline: Llame al teléfono **301-670-SAFE** (7233) para recibir información sobre cómo patrocinar eventos libres de alcohol para adolescentes, o para denunciar una fiesta próxima en la que adolescentes menores de 21 años consumirán bebidas alcohólicas, un evento o un proveedor.

Para reportar una fiesta que ya ha comenzado, llame al número para casos sin emergencia de la policía para recibir ayuda: **301-279-8000**. Llame al 911, si la fiesta se torna peligrosa o si la vida de alguien está en riesgo.

SAFEnet: Suscríbese a SAFEnet; un boletín de noticias en línea para información sobre la prevención del uso del alcohol y para hacer preguntas relacionadas.

SAFEnet@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Para más materiales Keeping It SAFE , incluyendo consejos para...

- ✓ Anfitriones de Fiestas Para Personas Menores de 21 Años
- ✓ Anfitrión Adulto Social o Individual
- ✓ Anfitriones de Corporaciones
- ✓ Eventos Con Licencia Para un Día
- ✓ Establecimientos de Ventas (restaurantes)
- ✓ Establecimientos de Ventas de Artículos Para Llevar (Tiendas de Cerveza y Vino)
- ✓ Eventos de la Comunidad
- ✓ Planeadores y Promotores de Eventos Especiales

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