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### DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY WEST POINT, NEW YORK 10996

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# MEMORANDUM FOR United States Corps of Cadets

SUBJECT: Brigade Tactical Department (BTD) Policy Letter #3 – Alcohol

## 1. References.

- a. United States Corps of Cadets Standard Operating Procedures (SOP)
- b. USMA Regulation 215-1, Alcoholic Beverages
- 2. Purpose. To outline the regulations associated with the purchase and consumption of alcohol for Cadets assigned to the United States Corps of Cadets (USCC).
- 3. Scope. Provisions of this memorandum apply to personnel assigned, attached, or under Operational Control (OPCON) of the United States Corps of Cadets.

# 4. Eligibility.

- a. By Age: Only Cadets 21 and over are authorized to drink alcohol. This prohibition extends to sanctioned trip sections to foreign countries with different drinking ages.
  - b. By Standing: Only Cadets in good standing are authorized to drink alcohol.
  - c. By Rank:
- (1) Cadet Privates. Of-age Cadet Privates in good standing may drink only on leave or pass and outside the walking privileges limits and West Point reservation.
- (2) Cadet Corporals. Of-age Cadet Corporals in good standing and on leave, pass, or off duty may drink at the locations, times, and in the uniforms listed below.

Times	Locations	Uniform
- B Weekend Fridays	- West Point Club	- Cadet Casual or higher at all
- Saturdays	- Thayer Hotel	times and in all locations when not
- Sundays	- Tailgates	on leave or pass
- DONSAs	- Unit Events	

(3) Cadet First Sergeants and Sergeants. Of-age Cadet Sergeants in good standing and on leave, pass, or off duty may drink at the locations, times, and in the uniforms listed below.

Times	Locations	Uniform
- Leave	- West Point Club	- Fall Semester:
- Pass	- Thayer Hotel	- Cadet Casual or higher at all
- Off Duty	- Tailgates	times and in all locations when not
·	- Unit Events	on OPPs, leave, or pass
	- Golf Course	·
	- Bowling Alley	- Spring Semester:
	- Ski Lodge	- Civilian clothes or higher
	- Sponsor's Home	
	- First Class Club	
	(except on Thurs.)	

(4) Command Sergeants Major, and Officers. Of-age Command Sergeants Major and Officers in good standing and on leave, pass, or off duty may drink at the locations, times, and in the uniforms listed below.

Times	Locations	Uniform
- Leave	- West Point Club	- Civilian clothes or higher
- Pass	- Thayer Hotel	
- Off Duty	- Tailgates	
	- Unit Events	
	- Golf Course	
	- Bowling Alley	
	- Ski Lodge	
	- Sponsor's Residence	
	- First Class Club	

## 5. Standards.

- a. Responsible Drinking. Eligible Cadets will drink in a manner becoming of a future officer at all times and in all locations.
- b. Alcohol at Unit Events. Alcohol at unit social functions requires Company Tactical Officer level written approval with outlined risk reduction control measures.
- c. Drinking Off-Post in Uniform. Cadets are not authorized to drink alcohol in uniform off post at any time without the undersigned's written approval.
- d. Alcohol in the Barracks. Cadets are never authorized to drink or store alcohol in the barracks.

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e. Alcohol in Personally Owned Vehicles. Cadets are never authorized to drink or store alcohol in any POV parked on post.

- f. Alcohol Purchasing. Cadets will not purchase take-out alcohol at any on-post location without written Company Tactical Officer approval. Buying alcohol at the Shoppette is unauthorized.
- g. Alcohol before Duty. Cadets will stop drinking alcohol NLT eight hours prior to the assumption of any official duty.
- h. Alcohol at Competitions or Performances. Cadets will not drink alcohol prior or during any event in which a USMA team or club is competing or performing regardless of the venue.
  - i. Alcohol on Trip Sections.
- (1) Cadets will not drink on trip sections or Individual Advanced Development (IAD) training without the undersigned's written approval.
- (2) Trip Section and IAD OICs will email exception to policy requests in memorandum format to the POC listed below NLT 21 days prior to execution. All memoranda will include the following.
  - (a) Risk reduction control measures
- (b) Full trip roster that lists Cadets' ages and highlights all Cadets previously punished for alcohol-related misconduct.
- 6. Enforcement. The undersigned withholds authority to adjudicate disciplinary proceedings for all alcohol-related misconduct.
- 7. Point of Contact for this memorandum is the Brigade Tactical Department Senior Enlisted Leader at x7904.

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