

# HOW TO SAFELY SERVE ALCOHOL

How do you safely serve alcohol at a block party? The simple answer: If you're hosting, do not physically serve any of your guests due to liability reasons. Instead, show them where there is alcohol available.

## TIPS/INSTRUCTIONS

- Have alcohol available in an adult-supervised community cooler full of ice, but do not be the one to serve the alcohol. Liability can come into play when the host of the party is physically handing out alcoholic drinks to guests.
- Make sure the cooler is clearly labeled with what is inside and that it's located in an area where an adult is present at all times.
- Consider having koozies or solo cups to respect others who might not be drinking and to keep drinks somewhat concealed.
- Market the party as a "Bring Your Own" party, or say something like, "We will be providing water and sodas, but feel free to bring your adult beverage of choice to enjoy!"

## THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND / AVOID

- Don't over-complicate it! Have fun and be safe!
- At the first sign of someone over-consuming, help them find a way to safely exit the party and get home, or be ready to contact local authorities who can help. Remember to do this peacefully and with a lot of grace for the attendee!

## HELPFUL LINKS

### TENNESSEE REGULATIONS

<https://casetext.com/regulation/tennessee-administrative-code/title-0100-alcoholic-beverage-commission/chapter-0100-03-local-option-liquor-rules/section-0100-03-22-private-events>