

E1.4 SUBSTANCE AWARENESS POLICY AND STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE DRUG-FREE SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES ACT

Only in an environment free of substance abuse can Stonehill College fulfill its mission of developing the academic, professional, social, cultural and intellectual potential of each member of the community. The use of illegal drugs and the abuse of alcohol impair the safety and health of students and employees and inhibit personal and academic growth. For these reasons, the unlawful use of alcohol and other drugs is prohibited on campus and at College-sponsored activities.

Stonehill College, in accordance with the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act Amendments of 1989 Public Law 101-226 and College policy, is committed to providing a drug-free, healthy and safe environment for all students, faculty and staff. The unlawful use, possession, manufacturing, distribution or dispensation of a controlled substance and the illegal use or possession of alcoholic beverages on campus or at College-sponsored activities is prohibited. If it is determined that a violation of this policy has occurred, disciplinary action up to and including the dismissal of students and referral for prosecution may result. Applicable legal sanctions for the unlawful use, possession or distribution of alcohol and other drugs are summarized in the following section.

General Provisions

The students of Stonehill College shall not unlawfully manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess or use controlled substances, drug paraphernalia or alcohol. Drug paraphernalia is defined as any equipment, product or material that is modified for making, using or concealing illegal drugs such as bongos and houka pipes. Any individual who violates this prohibition will be subject to disciplinary action. Sanctions may include dismissal or termination from the College, mandatory participation in an alcohol or other drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program or referral of the matter to law enforcement agencies for prosecution.

PROHIBITED CONDUCT

Alcohol and Other Drugs

- 5.01 Failure to abide by College Alcohol Policy.
- 5.02 Failure to abide by College Smoking Policy.
- 5.03 Failure to abide by College Drug Policy.

STUDENT ALCOHOL POLICY

1. Violation of any alcohol or alcohol related federal, state, or local law ordinance.
2. Being a student, under the age of 21, not engaged in an employment or other permissive activity, in the presence of an open alcohol container.

3. Possession, use, or distribution of alcohol by a student, under the age of 21, or possession, use, or distribution of alcohol by the guest of a student, under the age of 21, even if the guest is age 21 or older.
4. Procurement of alcohol for a student or guest who is under the age of 21.
5. Failing to abide by the drinking laws of the immediate locale while on an away program or College-sponsored or approved trip or program.
6. Possession, use, sale, or distribution of a false identification card, wristband, or other age or identity verification form.
7. Use of an alcohol container as a room decoration, vase or storage item.
8. Possession of alcohol in a residence hall, or common area of a residence hall, in which alcohol is not allowed based on the dry status of the hall or area.

Each September, the College will inform students whether or not the use or possession of alcoholic beverages will be permitted in the various residence areas. Status of residence halls may change during the year. Students who are unsure about an area's status should contact their Residence Assistant, Residence Director or Area Coordinator, or the Residence Life Office.

9. Possession of an open container of alcohol in an area designated as a public area by the College without prior approval from the Vice President of Student Affairs or the designated College Official sponsoring, hosting, or supervising an event in a public area.

Public areas include campus grounds, residence hall porches and entryways, administrative buildings, academic buildings, and dining facilities.

10. Possession by a student, age 21 or older, or possession by the guest of a student, age 21 or older, of an amount of alcohol over the limits specified (limits apply to full, partially full, and empty containers) by the College.

The limits specified by the College are:

- Twelve 12-ounce coolers, malts, or beers OR
- Two 750 ml. bottles of wine OR
- One pint of hard liquor up to 80 proof

The total amount of alcohol in a residence hall room may not exceed the total amount permitted for the residents of the room, age 21 or older.

11. Possession of alcohol at a College event without prior approval by the Director of Student Activities or the designated College Official sponsoring, hosting, or in charge of the event.
12. Intoxication on College property or at College-sponsored or sanctioned programs or activities.

Intoxicated students and their guests will not be permitted entrance to College-sponsored activities. Intoxicated students or intoxicated guests in need of medical attention may be transported to the hospital for emergency care. Intoxicated students or intoxicated guests not in need of medical attention may be placed into protective custody by Stonehill Campus Police and transported to the Easton Police Department. All costs will be charged back to the student.

Intoxicated students who are disorderly or disrespectful to College officials (including student employees) are subject to more severe disciplinary sanctions.

13. Possession of a drinking game or the use or possession of a board game, table game, ice luge, drinking funnel, beer tap, or other device that promotes or encourages abusive drinking or is used in a way that promotes or encourages abusive drinking.
14. Transportation of alcohol by motor vehicle, by a student under the age of 21, regardless of the age of any passengers in the vehicle.
15. Driving under the influence of alcohol or other drugs.

Student drivers may be requested to take sobriety tests. A student driver who fails a sobriety test may have his/her car towed to a storage facility for pick-up when the student is sober enough to drive. All towing costs are the responsibility of the student driver.

16. Possession of a full or empty common source of alcohol, regardless of the size(s) or the container(s).

A common source of alcohol may include a keg, pony keg, beer ball, punch bowl (with or without alcohol), 1.75 liter container (handle), or gelatin shots. An excessive amount may include any amount of alcohol over the limit specified.

17. Commercial delivery of alcoholic beverages to the residence halls or the College Mailroom.
18. Use of alcoholic beverages to render another person physically or emotionally incapacitated as a precursor to or part of sexual activity.

19. Creation of materials that promote alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs.

Athletic teams, club sports teams, student organizations, residence hall councils and other groups or individuals are prohibited from creating marketing or promotional material such as clothing that promotes alcohol, tobacco or other drugs. In addition, such items may not discriminate against individuals or groups and must be approved by the appropriate College official listed below. Appropriate College officials must also approve the use of the Stonehill name, logo, or likeness. Questions concerning this policy may be directed to the Student Affairs Office.

Athletic teams must receive the approval of the Director of Athletics, or designee.

Club sports teams must receive the approval of the Director of Recreational Sports, or designee.

Recognized clubs and organizations must receive the approval of the Director of Student Activities, or designee.

Residence hall councils must receive the approval of the Director of Residence Life, or designee.

Entertaining in the Residence Halls

Students may entertain or socialize in their individual rooms provided the number of people in the room does not exceed 10 individuals (including residents of the room). Students must be in compliance with campus guest and quiet hours policies and may not disrupt the learning or living activities of others.

Reserving Common Lounges for Social Gatherings without Alcohol

Students who wish to reserve a common area lounge for an event without alcohol must obtain approval from the RD/AC.

Social Gatherings with Alcoholic Beverages in the Residence Halls

Each year, the Director of Residence Life, or designee, will develop and maintain conditions, procedures and sanctions regarding hosting social gatherings within the residence areas. This information will be published in an existing College publication or accessed by contacting the Residence Life Office.

Student Programs with Alcohol

1. The Director of Student Activities, or designee, has primary responsibility for determining the circumstances and whether or not alcoholic beverages will be served at student programs held on or off campus.

2. Students, age 21 or older, must present 2 forms of ID to enter the alcohol service area. Massachusetts residents must present a current Stonehill College ID card and a valid Massachusetts driver's license or valid Massachusetts Liquor ID card. Out-of-state residents must present a current Stonehill College ID card and a valid driver's license (not a duplicate) that confirms the student's date of birth documented in College records.
3. Guests, age 21 or older, must present a valid driver's license (not a duplicate) and a valid guest pass and must be accompanied by their host at all times. In order to enter the alcohol service area, guests, age 21 or older, must be accompanied by their host, who must be age 21 or older. Up to two guests per current student will be allowed.
4. Students and their guests may not attempt to or bring alcohol into student programs or attempt to or remove alcohol from the service area or student programs.
5. Underage students and their guests, regardless of age, may not attempt to or enter the alcohol service area reserved exclusively for alcohol service nights.
6. Safeguards must be taken to ensure an orderly function to protect the rights of other members of the community against undue interference, noise and other disturbances.
7. Students may be refused admission to a student program if the validity of their identification is questionable or if students are intoxicated or disruptive.
8. The sponsoring organization shall abide by the established laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, ordinances of the Town of Easton and policies of Stonehill College.
9. Student organizations may not use student fees to purchase alcoholic beverages for student use.
10. Alcoholic beverages may not be offered free of charge to any participant at a student program.
11. When alcoholic beverages are served, food and nonalcoholic beverages must be made available. The cost of refreshments must not be prohibitive. Alcoholic beverages may not continue to be served if nonalcoholic beverages run out. When alcoholic beverages are served, the student program must be supportive of alcohol education programs that encourage responsible decisions about the use or non-use of alcoholic beverages.

12. Alcoholic beverages may not be provided as awards.
13. Advertising promoting alcoholic beverages must not encourage any form of alcohol abuse or place any emphasis on quantity or frequency of use. The advertising of alcoholic beverages on campus may not portray drinking as a solution to personal or academic problems or as necessary for social, sexual or academic success. Advertising of alcoholic beverages and other promotional beverages may not associate alcoholic beverage consumption with the performance of tasks that require skilled reactions such as driving or playing sports. All posters must be in accordance with the College's Advertising Policy.
14. If a student program is held off-campus, the contracted server/facility must agree in writing that it agrees to assume all responsibility for serving alcoholic beverages. Alcoholic beverages may not be served in common sources when students have direct access to serve themselves.

SMOKING ON CAMPUS

1. Smoking is prohibited in all campus buildings and facilities including all of the student residence halls.
2. Individuals who choose to smoke are expected to be at least 25 feet from the building so as not to allow smoke to travel back into the building.
3. Individuals who choose to smoke are expected to dispose of cigarettes and their packaging in proper trash receptacles.

STUDENT DRUG POLICY

1. The possession, use, sale or distribution of illegal drugs, is strictly prohibited on campus property or at campus-sponsored events.
2. The unauthorized possession, use, sale or distribution of drugs prescribed for medical purposes is strictly prohibited on campus property or at campus-sponsored events.
3. As required by federal law, students are required to notify the College's Director of Financial Aid, or designee, within 5 days of being convicted of violating a criminal drug statute.
4. The use of drugs to render another person emotionally or physically incapacitated as a precursor to or part of sexual activity is prohibited.
5. The possession, use, sale or distribution of drug paraphernalia is prohibited on College property or at College-sponsored activities. Drug paraphernalia is

defined as any equipment, product or material that is modified for making, using or concealing illegal drugs such as bongos and houka pipes.

Sanctions for Student Violations

The sanctions below have been developed to educate students and ensure an environment that supports the academic mission of the College. Some sanctions have been developed to respond to repeated violations during a student’s career. Sanctions listed are possible outcomes. In determining a sanction, the AVSPA, or designee, may consider the student’s present demeanor, past disciplinary record, the nature of the misconduct, and the severity of any damage, injury, or harm resulting from the misconduct as well as any other factor.

Presence of Alcohol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sanctions ranging from a warning to a 1st Alcohol Violation; • Parental notification for students under the age of 21.
First Alcohol Violation in Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College sponsored educational intervention program; • Community restitution project; • Fine; • Weekend restriction; • Parental notification for students under the age of 21.
Second Alcohol Violation in Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alcohol assessment and completion of recommendations; • College sponsored educational intervention program; • Community restitution project; • Fine; • Consecutive weekend restrictions; • Deferred suspension from residency; • Parental notification.
Third Alcohol Violation in Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alcohol assessment and completion of recommendations; • College sponsored educational intervention program; • Suspension from residency for 16 consecutive academic weeks; • Deferred separation from the College; • Parental notification.
Fourth Alcohol Violation in Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Separation from the College; • Parental notification.
Common Source Violation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alcohol assessment and completion of recommendations; • College sponsored educational intervention program; • Suspension from residency for 16 consecutive academic weeks; • Parental notification.

Excessive Amount of Alcohol Violation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alcohol assessment and completion of recommendations; • College sponsored educational intervention program; • Multiple weekend restrictions, AND community restitution project, AND deferred separation from residency OR suspension from residency for 16 consecutive academic weeks; • Parental notification.
Use or Distribution of False Identification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alcohol assessment and completion of recommendations; • College sponsored educational intervention program; • Educational project; • Multiple weekend restrictions, AND community restitution project AND deferred separation from residency OR suspension from residency for 16 consecutive academic weeks; • Parental notification.
Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol or Other Drugs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alcohol assessment and completion of recommendations; • College sponsored educational intervention program; • \$300 fine; • Restricted driving and parking privileges for one year; • Suspension from residency for 16 consecutive academic weeks; • Parental notification.
Purchasing or Distributing Alcoholic Beverages for Students or Guests Under the Age of 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alcohol assessment and completion of recommendations; • College sponsored educational intervention program; • Suspension from residency for 16 consecutive academic weeks; • Parental notification.
Use or Possession of Illegal Drugs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drug assessment and completion of recommendations; • Suspension from residency for 16 consecutive academic weeks; • Parental notification.
Presence of Illegal Drugs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekend restrictions; • Community restitution project; • Parental notification.
Use of Alcohol or Drugs to Render Another Person Emotionally or Physically Incapacitated as a Precursor to or Part of Sexual Misconduct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College dismissal; • Parental notification.

Other Sanctions for Students

The College may impose additional sanctions as appropriate. Refer to the Student Discipline System for a complete listing of sanctions.

Additional Fines and Holds

Failure to complete sanctions on time or disregarding College requirements may result in the College imposing an additional fine as well as placing an academic hold on a student's account. This hold may impact a student's ability to register or obtain certain academic records.

Sanctions for Student Organizations

The College's response to student organizations found in violation of the Substance Awareness Policy will be determined based upon the nature of the incident.

Summary of Alcohol and Other Drug Laws

The legal drinking age in Massachusetts is 21 years of age. A person over 21 years of age may not buy alcohol for a person under 21 years of age, unless their relationship is that of parent and child or husband and wife, and even in those situations liquor must be bought at a package liquor store, not a restaurant or tavern. Whoever furnishes any such beverage or alcohol for a person under 21 years of age shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$2,000 or by imprisonment for not more than one year or both.

Alcohol may not be purchased or attempted to be purchased by a person under 21 years of age. A person may not lie about his/her age to purchase alcohol, present false identification, or make arrangements with someone older to buy alcohol for him/her.

Any person who knowingly makes a false statement as to the age of a person who is under 21 years of age in order to procure a sale or delivery of such beverages or alcohol to such person under 21 years of age, either for the use of the person under 21 years of age or for the use of some other person, and whoever induces a person under 21 years of age to make a false statement as to his age in order to procure a sale or delivery of such beverages or alcohol to such a person under twenty-one years of age, shall be punished by a fine of \$300. Any person without a license to serve alcohol may not serve someone under 21 years of age, unless their relationship is that of parent and child or husband and wife. Any person who furnishes any such beverage or alcohol for a person under 21 years of age shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$2,000 or by imprisonment for not more than one year or both.

Any person who transfers, alters, or defaces an identification card, or who makes, uses, carries, sells, or distributes a false identification card, or furnishes false information in obtaining such a card, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$200 or by imprisonment for not more than three months.

It is unlawful for a person under 21 years of age knowingly to drive a car with alcohol in it unless accompanied by a parent. To do so may result in a fine of up to \$50 or suspension of the driver's license for three months, or both. Persons may not drive while drinking from an open container of an alcoholic beverage. Violators shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500. Persons may not drive while under the influence of alcohol or any intoxicating substance. Violators shall be

punished by a fine of not less than \$500 nor more than \$5000 or by imprisonment for not more than two and one-half years, or both such fine and imprisonment. If a police officer has reasonable grounds to believe a person is driving under the influence, a breathalyzer test may be given. If the person arrested refuses to submit to such test or analysis, after having been informed that his license or permit to operate motor vehicles or right to operate motor vehicles in the Commonwealth shall be suspended for a period of at least 180 days and up to a lifetime loss, for such refusal, no such test or analysis shall be made and he shall have his license or right to operate suspended in accordance with this paragraph for a period of 180 days. Conviction for a first offense be punished by a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$500 or by imprisonment for not less than 30 days nor more than two years, or both, and for a second offense by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than five years or in a house of correction for not less than 30 days nor more than two and one half years, or by a fine of not more than \$1000, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Massachusetts has criminal penalties for use of controlled substances, or drugs, with penalties varying with the type of drug. In general, narcotic, addictive, and drugs with a high potential for abuse have heavier penalties. Possession of drugs is illegal without valid authorization. While penalties for possession are generally not as great as for manufacture and distribution of drugs, possession of a relatively large quantity may be considered distribution. Under both State and Federal laws penalties for possession, manufacture and distribution are much greater for second and subsequent convictions. Many laws dictate mandatory prison terms and the full minimum term must be served. Massachusetts makes it illegal to be in a place where heroin is kept and to be “in the company” of a person known to possess heroin. Anyone in the presence of heroin at a private party or dormitory suite risks a serious drug conviction. Sale and possession of “drug paraphernalia” is illegal in Massachusetts. Under Federal law, distribution of drugs to persons under the age of 21 is punishable by twice the normal penalty with a mandatory one to three years in prison depending on the class of drugs; a third conviction is punishable by mandatory life imprisonment. These penalties apply to distribution of drugs within 1,000 feet of a college or school. Federal law sets greatly heightened prison sentences for manufacture and distribution of drugs if death or serious injury results from the use of the substance.

The Higher Education Act of 1965 as amended suspends aid eligibility for students who have been convicted under federal or state law of the sale or possession of drugs, if the offense occurred during a period of enrollment for which the student was receiving federal student aid. For more information contact Stonehill’s Student Financial Services Office at 508-565-1088 or the Federal Student Aid Information Center at 1-800-4-FED-AID (1- 800-433-3243).

Notice of Federal Student Financial Aid Penalties for Drug Law Violations

A student who has been convicted of possession or sale of illegal drugs while receiving federal Title IV financial aid loses eligibility for federal and state government financial

aid (including Title IV, HEA grant, loan, or work-study assistance) for a period of time specified in the law (HEA Sec. 484(r)(1)); (20 U.S.C. 1091(r)(1)). The period of ineligibility depends on whether the conviction was for possession or sale of (including conspiring to sell) illegal drugs. For further information, please visit the College's website at <http://www.stonehill.edu/x22719.xml>.

Biennial Review

In compliance with the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act, Stonehill College will conduct a biennial review of the College's alcohol and other drug programs, which will be coordinated by the Associate Vice President for Student Affairs. According to the Act, the biennial review is due by October 1st of every even numbered year.

Controlled Substances: Uses and Effects

- **Narcotics**
- **Possible Effects:** Euphoria, drowsiness, respiratory depression, constricted pupils, nausea
Effects of Overdose: Slow and shallow breathing, clammy skin, convulsions, coma, possible death
Withdrawal Syndrome: Watery eyes, runny nose, yawning, loss of appetite, irritability

Drug Name	Trade/Other Name	Medical Uses	Dependence Physical/Psychological
Opium	Dover's Powder, Parapectolin	Analgesic, Antidiarrheal	High/High
Morphine	MS-Contin, Roxanol, Roxanol SR	Analgesic, Antitussive	High/High
Codeine	Tylenol w/Codeine, Robitussin A-C	Analgesic, Antitussive	Moderate/Moderate
Heroin	Horse, Smack	None	High/High
Hydromorphone	Dilaudid	Analgesic	High/High
Meperidine	Demerol, Mepergan	Analgesic	High/High
Methadone	Methadose, Dolophine	Analgesic	High/High

- **Depressants**
- **Possible Effects:** Slurred speech, disorientation, drunken behavior without the odor of alcohol
Effects of Overdose: Shallow respiration, clammy skin, dilated pupils, weak and rapid pulse, coma, possible death
Withdrawal Syndrome: Anxiety, insomnia, terrors, delirium, convulsions, possible death

Drug Name	Trade/Other Name	Medical Uses	Dependence Physical/Psychological
Chloral Hydrate	Noctec, Somnos	Hypnotic	Moderate/Moderate
Barbiturates	Amytal, Seconal	Anesthetic, Sedative, Hypnotic, Anticonvulsant	High-Moderate/High-Moderate
Benzodiazepines	Dalmane, Xanax, Librium, Valium	Anesthetic, Sedative, Hypnotic, Anticonvulsant	Low/Low
Methaqualone	Qaalude	Sedative, Hypnotic	High/High
Glutethimide	Doriden	Sedative, Hypnotic	High/High

- **Stimulants**

- **Possible Effects:** Increased alertness, excitation, euphoria, increased pulse rate and blood pressure, insomnia, loss of appetite
Effects of Overdose: Agitation, increase in body temperature, hallucinations, convulsions, possible death
Withdrawal Syndrome: Apathy, long periods of sleep, irritability, depression, disorientation

Drug Name	Trade/Other Name	Medical Uses	Dependence Physical/Psychological
Cocaine	Coke, Flake, Snow, Crack	Local Anesthetic	Possible/High
Amphetamines	Dexadrine, Obetrol, Delcobese	Attention Deficit Disorder, Weight Control, Narcolepsy,	Possible/High
Phenmetrazine	Preludin	Weight Control	Possible/High
Methylphenidate	Ritalin	Attention Deficit Disorder	Possible/Moderate

- **Hallucinogens**

- **Possible Effects:** Illusions and hallucinations, poor perception of time and distance
Effects of Overdose: Longer, more intense "trip" episodes, possible psychosis, possible death
Withdrawal Syndrome: Withdrawal syndrome not reported

Drug Name	Trade/Other Name	Medical Uses	Dependence Physical/Psychological
LSD	Acid, Microdot	None	None/Unknown
Mescaline/Peyote	Mexc, Buttons, Cactus, Mesc	None	None/Unknown
Amphetamine	DMA, MDMA, STP, MDA	None	Unknown/Unknown

Phencyclidine	PCP, Angel Dust, Hog	Vet Anesthetic	Unknown/High
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- **Cannabis**

- **Possible Effects:** Euphoria, reduced inhibitions, increased appetite, disorientation

- Effects of Overdose:** Fatigue, paranoia, possible psychosis

- Withdrawal Syndrome:** Insomnia, hyperactivity, loss of appetite

Drug Name	Trade/Other Name	Medical Uses	Dependence Physical/Psychological
Marijuana	Pot, Acapulco Gold, Grass, Reefer	None	Unknown/Moderate
Hashish	Hash	None	Unknown/Moderate
Hashish Oil	Hash Oil	None	Unknown/Moderate