

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

TAB: Patron Services

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 20-80-30

SECTION: Facility Usage

SUBJECT: SERVING OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

SUMMARY

Alcoholic beverages are generally prohibited in library facilities and on library premises. The purpose of this regulation is to describe the limited circumstances in which alcoholic beverages may be served and consumed at library-approved events in designated areas by the library, the Friends of the Johnson County Library, or the Johnson County Library Foundation.

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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES GENERALLY PROHIBITED

a. With the limited exception set forth in this regulation, alcoholic beverages are generally prohibited in library facilities and on library premises. Nothing in this regulation shall be construed as authorizing patron possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages in library facilities or on library premises in violation of the Patron Code of Behavior, ARM 20-10-50.

LIMITED EXCEPTION FOR SERVING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

b. Alcoholic beverages may be served by the library, the Friends of the Johnson County Library, or the Johnson County Library Foundation at events approved in writing by the County Librarian or their designee on the terms set forth in this regulation.

Designated Areas

1. Alcoholic beverages may be served and consumed only in areas designated by the County Librarian or their designee.

No sales

2. No sale of alcoholic beverages is permitted.

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Caterers

3. When alcoholic beverages are dispensed and served by a caterer, the caterer shall utilize only trained and TIPS-certified servers.

Minors

4. Minors may not receive, consume, or be in possession of any alcoholic beverages.

Unlawful Service

5. Unlawful service, sale, and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages is strictly prohibited. Violators will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

PROCEDURES

c. Procedures for implementing this regulation shall be articulated and inserted in staff manuals.

July 10, 2025

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