



**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
71ST FLYING TRAINING WING
VANCE AIR FORCE BASE OKLAHOMA**

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MEMORANDUM FOR 71 STUS

FROM: 71 STUS/CC

SUBJECT: 71 STUS Alcohol Policy

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to establish guidelines regarding the use of alcohol by 71 STUS personnel. Personnel will demonstrate a culture of responsible alcohol use. The following policies are to guide that responsible culture and foster an environment consistent with the Air Force core values.
2. Alcohol use can be grouped into the broad categories of official (in government facilities and/or while in uniform) or unofficial (all other situations).
 - a. Official: STUS personnel will not consume alcohol in Building 690 during duty hours (0730-1630) without the permission of the CC or DO. All STUS personnel who choose to consume alcohol while in uniform (e.g. Assignment Night, Graduation, etc.) must do so in a manner that does not bring discredit upon themselves or the Air Force.
 - b. Unofficial: All STUS personnel will exercise good judgment, ensure proper risk management assessment, and have a sound Designated Driver plan in place when consuming alcohol. In other words: have fun, be responsible, and take care of each other.
3. While in government facilities and/or while in uniform, students will not consume alcohol on base with exceptions of on-base establishments (club/bowling alley) and Wing/OG/STUS sanctioned events. Students will not consume alcohol in the FTS buildings. Students receiving assignments will not consume alcohol prior to the social hour at assignment nights.
4. To practice responsible drinking during Cross-Country TDYs, students should use the following general guidance. It is recommended to not consume alcohol after midnight local time or consume more than three standard drinks in one night. Students will practice responsible drinking habits at all times and represent the Air Force core values. Students will follow guidance described in AFMAN 11-202v3 regarding alcohol and crew rest.
5. Driving under the influence of alcohol and/or using alcohol in a manner that is not consistent with professional conduct expected of Air Force members will not be tolerated. Any alcohol related misconduct will be punishable via UCMJ action, or an adverse administrative action.
6. Finally, all personnel will respect the choice of those who choose not to consume alcohol and will not apply undue pressure to alter their choice. Any STUS personnel consuming alcohol must do so in a manner that does not bring discredit upon themselves or the Air Force. Please direct any questions on this policy to your flight commander, the DO, or myself.

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