

Alcohol Ordinance: Practices and Procedures to Prevention Underage Drinking at Special Events

Municipality, County, & Population	Ordinance Language & Ordinance Link
North Aurora, IL Kane County Population: 16,760	Section 5.08.360 Special events liquor licenses. Language included on additional restrictions for outdoor special events and liquor licenses, as well as general regulations on all special events liquor licenses. BASSET requirement language included.
Skokie, IL Cook County Population: 64,784	Section 10-40 Temporary permit language. Includes limits on number of days the temporary permit can be issued for, as well as temporary permit review process by Liquor Control Commissioner and Chief of Police.
Belvidere, IL Boone County Population: 25,585	Section 10-81 Special event retailer's license. Special event retailer and special event retailer's license defined. Addresses alcohol beverages and confinement to an area enclosed by fence or wall. Language included on using a mechanism to verify age of every person who desires to purchase or consume alcohol. Security and training of those serving alcohol to verify age addressed.

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Wheaton, IL DuPage County Population: 52,894	Section 6-87.5 Outdoor special event liquor license. Language included on requirements for all persons who transfer, exchange, or barter alcoholic beverages for an outdoor special event must complete the city police department's alcohol sales training program. Language that specifies only beer and wine are sold at festivals. Insurance requirements are outlined, as well as requirements to contract with city police for extraordinary services.
McCullom Lake, IL McHenry County Population: 1,049	Section 3-40 Temporary liquor license created for special events language. 1(h) includes language allowing liquor commissioner or authorized representative to inspect site of event.
Sauk Village, IL Cook and Will Counties Population: 10,506	Section 6-26 Special event licenses. (c) Language included on determination of how many police officers are required at specials events and break down of that number. (d) Language regarding the special event retailer and responsibilities to reimburse the village for the expenses in providing security for special event.
Harwood Heights, IL Cook County Population: 8,612	Section 4.16.115 Meaning and application of term "special events". Information provided on hours a special event can occur and requirement for a security plan if attendance is over 50 individuals.
	Section 4.16.170 Bond and cash deposit. Language included for requirements of a cash bond and surety bond to cover costs for the village should any expenses occur due to the granting of the license.

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Peoria, IL Peoria County Population: 115,007	Section 21-17 Emergency powers. Language allowing city manager or designate to close or halt all or part of any event if necessary to control disorder, protect public safety, or secure compliance with state laws or city ordinances and regulations.
Rock Falls, IL Whiteside County Population: 9,580	Section 16-390 Special events liquor licenses. Includes language on requirements that the premises be constructed and devised, and policed, to prevent persons from removing alcoholic beverages from the premises to the outside. Adherence to fire and safety regulations and codes. Language regarding walls and fences around the perimeter of the premises to prevent unauthorized persons for entering.

Additional Resources

Fast Facts - Alcohol and Event Restrictions

Webinar - Alcohol: Managing Special Events