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UMD Registered Student Organization Responsibility of Student Organizations Policy

The policy on the Responsibility of Student Organizations states that each student organization shall be responsible for the individual and collective conduct of its members and guests in all its groups sponsored activities and functions. This responsibility shall be exercised on behalf of the organization by the appropriate elected officers/designated representatives of each group.

This policy applies to both on-campus and off-campus events, and participants are expected to act in accordance with applicable University policies, municipal, and state laws.

The following specific regulations and responsibilities of student organizations for social events follow naturally, in the opinion of the Student Affairs and Student Behavior Committees, from general policy on student organization responsibility.

1. Conduct Unbecoming a Student

This is a general description covering a wide variety of inappropriate behaviors. There need be no cause for concern about vagueness in this instance. It clearly embraces drunkenness, abusive behavior that infringes upon the rights of others as conduct unbecoming to a student.

2. Sponsoring Student Organization Responsibilities

It is expected that the organization officers/designated representatives will impress upon all members prior to the event that the organization will be responsible.

If there is drinking, disruptive/disorderly behavior, etc. during the function and no evidence that the sponsoring organization attempted any restraining action through officers or other members, the organization will be held responsible by the Student Affairs Committee and disciplinary action may be taken.

3. Actions Appropriate for Sponsoring Student Organizations

It is not the intent of this statement to cause student organizations to assume a police role in the extreme sense. It does, however, expect the sponsoring organization to recognize problem situations and to deal with them in appropriate ways.

All possible situations or actions cannot be encompassed in any policy. It is hoped that this rather detailed statement will, however, clarify the expectations of the University with respect to student organization responsibility.

Your signature below indicates that you and your organization have been informed of, and agree to abide by, the Responsibilities of Student Organizations.

Name of Organization: _____

Signature of Officer: _____ Date: _____

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