

Cardinal Stadium Athletic Event Tailgating and Access Policies

In an effort to promote a safe campus environment, CUA has implemented the following policies regarding tailgating at athletic events:

General Tailgating Policies

-) Tailgating is only allowed in the designated tailgate area adjacent to the baseball field.
-) Vehicle access to the tailgating area is via the northern most Hawaii Avenue gate.
-) To park within this area and tailgate, the parking fee is \$50, and must be purchased prior to the game. Everyone within the vehicle must also have pre-purchased tickets for the game.
-) The tailgating entrance will open prior to game time (11am for Game 1 against Shannon RFC).
-) Tailgating may continue throughout the day's contest; however, tailgating and CUA team meals must end 90 minutes following the conclusion of the game.
-) Tailgating should take place directly behind your vehicle and should not impede upon traffic flow. Tailgating without a vehicle should take place within the parking space area.
-) Active sports (i.e. Frisbee or football throwing) are allowed as long as the activity does not endanger anyone within the surrounding area.
-) Drinking games (i.e. beer pong, quarters, flip cup, etc.) are strictly prohibited.
-) We kindly ask that you clean up your tailgating area by utilizing the trash bins (and dumpster) that have been provided.
-) It is recommend that game attendees secure their tailgate area before, during and after the event to protect personal belongings. CUA is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
-) Bathrooms are available inside the DuFour Center; port-o-johns will be provided at the tailgate lot itself.
-) Food for a post-game CUA team meal within the tailgate area must be brought in by personal vehicle or transported by CUA staff.

General Stadium Access Policies

-) A pedestrian entrance will be provided at the northern most Hawaii Avenue gate; however, *there is no re-entry via this gate and pre-purchased tickets ARE REQUIRED for entry. Coolers are not allowed to be walked in via this pedestrian gate.* All tickets sales occur inside the DuFour Center.
-) The ticket entrance historically set up near the tennis courts has been moved inside the DuFour Center (off of John McCormack Road). This tennis area gate is no longer an entry point to Cardinal Stadium on football game days.

Food/Grilling

-) You are welcome to bring your own food and picnic items into the tailgate area. However, Catholic University assumes no responsibility for food consumed at a tailgate on CUA property.

-) Grills are permitted, but must be elevated. Open flames (i.e. fire pits) are prohibited.
-) We ask that you extinguish charcoal fires with water before leaving them unattended.
-) Please remove extinguished charcoal from campus for disposal and do not dump charcoal on the ground or in trash bins/dumpsters.

Alcohol

-) All Washington, D.C. and University policies are in effect during tailgating. Consistent with these guidelines, **it is prohibited for a person under the age of 21 years to purchase, possess, consume, transport, or store alcoholic beverages.**
-) It is prohibited for any person or group to purchase and/or give alcoholic beverages to a person under 21 years of age.
-) The sale of alcoholic beverages is strictly prohibited.
-) Driving or attempting to drive a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or impaired by alcohol is prohibited by D.C. law.
-) Common containers, such as beer kegs and party balls, are prohibited in tailgate areas. Excessive quantities of alcohol will be subject to removal or confiscation.
-) **GLASS BOTTLES ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED IN THE TAILGATE LOT.**
-) Alcoholic beverages of any kind are not permitted outside of the tailgating area.

Other

-) Those violating any law or policy are subject to removal from the tailgating area (or athletic facility), legal penalties, and/or University judicial action. Common courtesy is expected of all those who attend a CUA sporting event.

Following these policies and being respectful of others can make this a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone. We thank you for your understanding and support!

Please note – all policies and procedures are subject to change