

I Want to Hold a Special Event in a Public Place and Have Liquor

A public place includes any public property (street, sidewalk, park, trail, etc) or a business that is open to public access (stores, salons, spas, professional offices, etc.)

I am going to host an event and only have invited guests. I have a...

- predetermined guest list (not created at the door);
- invitations – written/verbal/ electronic - to the event will be issued to the attendees prior to the event;
- will not be selling liquor; and
- will not advertise the event as being open to the public in anyway, including on social media, only invited guests allowed to attend.

Then, it is a private event and I **do not need a special event liquor permit** from the City.

I am going to host an event and it will be open to anyone. I will

- advertise the event, i.e., on social media, in the newspaper or by flyers/posters;
- will have liquor available – even if I am not selling it;
- will be selling tickets to the event; or
- will be asking for donations at the event;
- attendees can purchase a membership at the event; and
- I am a non-profit or government entity.

Then, I **need to obtain a special event liquor permit** from the City.

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- advertise the event, i.e., on social media, in the newspaper or by flyers/posters;
- will want to have liquor available – even if I am not selling it by the drink;
- will be selling tickets to the event; or
- will be asking for donations at the event;
- attendees can purchase anything including a membership at the event; and
- I am a private party or business.

Then, **you cannot serve alcohol at the event.** It is illegal, by Colorado State Statutes, to provide liquor to the public, even at no charge, without a liquor license.