

### **MIDLAND COUNTY HORSESHOE – ALCOHOL POLICY**

The Horseshoe does **NOT** have a Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC) license. Because of this, the following venue policies apply. **Any lessee and/or vendor found breaking any of the below alcohol policies will incur a fine of \$250 per violation. This will be taken from the lessee's deposit, vendor's deposit or both. If an event was booked prior to the deposit being in place, the lessee will incur these fines upon completion of the event.**

1. Vendors that provide alcohol service must be on the Horseshoe approved vendors list and are required to always use TABC certified servers and comply with all TABC rules, laws, regulations and policies in addition to these Horseshoe venue alcohol policies.
2. The lessee may not bring their own alcohol onto the Horseshoe complex. Alcohol must be provided by an approved vendor from the Horseshoe's approved vendor list. If lessee's preferred vendor is not on the approved vendor list, please contact the Horseshoe.
3. If a non-profit organization obtains all required TABC permits for their event, alcohol may be brought on-site for the properly TABC permitted event.
4. The lessee and their attendees may not have beverages in vehicles or any place of their own and return to serve themselves. Any alcoholic beverages found on site, not provided by the approved vendor will be confiscated and disposed of by Horseshoe staff and/or event security. Any lessee or their guests found breaking these policies, could be removed from the facility immediately without warning and the lessee will incur a fine.
5. Gifts including alcohol – If a lessee's guest/attendee brings a gift in which all or part of it is alcohol related/involved, the gift must be left in a vehicle or immediately taken to a vehicle and secured unopened upon discovering it has alcohol.
6. The Horseshoe and Horseshoe staff cannot touch or serve alcohol brought onto Horseshoe property by an approved TABC vendor. Alcohol may only be stored on-site starting the day before an event. Storage may be in a walk-in cooler or freezer, the Pavilion kitchen dry cage or a Conex container in the North parking lot. The storage fee will apply per day per space(s) used and is charged to the lessee. For alcohol to remain on-site outside of the event time, it must either be in the vendor's possession by always having someone TABC certified on-site with it or it may be stored in one of the aforementioned locations with the vendors own chain/lock combination. The Horseshoe and its staff are not responsible for watching and/or securing alcohol nor is the Horseshoe or its staff responsible for missing, stolen or vandalized inventory at any time while on-site. Alcohol must always be kept in the vendors' possession until the conclusion of the event and removed immediately by the vendor.
7. Horseshoe staff, event security and event vendors are prohibited from consuming alcohol during any event.
8. For high attendance ticketed events, attendees will have TABC acceptable identification checked by TABC certified staff to wristband (21+) or "X" (Under 21 or non-drinking) attendees.
9. The Horseshoe will provide the lessee with the number of required event security and when security is required at the time of booking the event. It is the lessee's responsibility to schedule and pay for their event security from the approved event security list of agencies and companies. If event security is required, proof of hiring event security is due to the Horseshoe at least seven (7) days before the event. It is the lessee's responsibility to communicate any changes from the original number of attendees to event security and Horseshoe staff.
10. The lessee is responsible for their attendee's behavior and actions at the event. Event security, Horseshoe staff and TABC certified alcohol vendors reserve the right to refuse alcohol sales to anybody at any time for any reason. Any disruptive behavior during an event could result in dismissing disruptive attendees, closing the lessees' bar, or concluding lessees' event immediately without refund.
11. Lessee's, vendors, guests, attendees and the public are not allowed to use glass drinkware during their event. This includes glass beer bottles, wine bottles, wine glasses, mugs, etc. Alcohol vendors may use glass behind the bar but are not permitted to serve lessees or their guests in glass containers. Guests may be served in plastic or aluminum containers and cups. Exceptions may be made by the Horseshoe Director on a case-by-case basis.
12. The correct TABC permit must be provided to Horseshoe business office three (3) days before any alcohol can be served at the event. Permitting information can be found at: <https://www.tabc.texas.gov/services/abc-licensespermits/temporary-event-authorizations/>
  - a. Please be sure to give your approved vendor plenty of time to obtain a temporary permit as it can take time. To avoid an expediting fee from TABC, a temporary permit application must be applied for ten (10)

or more business days before the event. This is the responsibility of the lessee and their vendor as well as any cost associated with obtaining the temporary permit.

- b. An approval letter and event layout map will be required by TABC which confirms the Horseshoe approves of the vendor selling alcohol on Horseshoe property. The vendor must email Natalie Cooper - Horseshoe Event Coordinator at [ncooper@mcounty.com](mailto:ncooper@mcounty.com) to obtain this document.
  - c. The lessee is responsible for ensuring their alcohol vendor pulls and provides the correct temporary permit for their event. The cost of the permit is between the lessee and their vendor. The Horseshoe requires proof the permit has been obtained to confirm it is valid and approved.
  - d. Each permit must list the exact location within the Horseshoe complex of where the event will be with the bar. Alcohol may not leave the rented area where it is being served.
    - i. For example: Midland County Horseshoe - Main Arena, Livestock Arena, Education Building, Terrace, Meeting Room A, B, C or D, Pavilion Hall A, Pavilion Hall B, Pavilion Hall S, Amphitheater, Backstage Building, Concession Stands, etc.
  - e. If the TABC approved vendor is storing alcohol in a storage area at the Horseshoe the day before the event, the TABC event permit must cover the full amount of time alcohol will be on site from delivery to removal immediately following the event.
13. Vendors may only serve one beverage per person per bar visit.
  14. There shall be no "deliveries" to other guests except for the following situations or multiple beverages poured for one party in each bar visit. Deliveries of alcoholic beverages are only permitted at public events in the Amphitheater, Pavilion and Main Arena by TABC certified servers to VIP table style seating and not general admission style areas following these requirements:
    - One 12oz or smaller liquor beverage per person at each table AND/OR
    - One 750ml or smaller bottle of wine per table with cups AND/OR
    - One bucket of eight (8) or less 12oz plastic beer bottles/cans per table.
  15. **Shots are strictly prohibited at all events.** The drink must include ice and a mixer but can be presented as "on the rocks". The only liquors allowed as "on the rocks" are whiskey, bourbon or scotch.
  16. The last call for alcohol sales will be thirty (30) minutes before the conclusion of the event no matter what time it is scheduled to end.
  17. Non-alcoholic beverages such as water, coffee, tea, soda, juice, etc. may be provided by lessee and brought on-site for their event at their pleasure. The Horseshoe does not supply these products.