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Events Management Office

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Whether you are a part of the Bison Athletics family or a fan of the opposition, we intend to provide you with an enjoyable experience during your visit to Bucknell University. The parking and tailgating policies below are designed to ensure your safety and comfort. Please respect the needs of others by keeping sidewalks and roadways clear of obstructions for those who use wheelchairs or walk with assistive devices, respect the beauty of the grounds, and follow the directives of our parking attendants and special events staff.

Parking Regulations

- Parking is permitted only in designated spaces. Parking on islands, medians or berms is prohibited.
- Parking on grass is prohibited except in designated areas and as directed by University parking attendants and special events staff.
- Parking spaces are available on a first-come, first-served basis and cannot be saved.
- Parking areas must be cleared two (2) hours after the conclusion of an event that takes place.

Motor Homes/ Campers (RVs)

- All recreational vehicles must pre-register with the Director of Non University Events (570-577-3095) prior to arrival.
- RVs may enter campus five hours prior to a scheduled event.
- RV space on campus is extremely limited and is prioritized based upon notification of the Director of Non University Events.
- RV spaces must be vacated two (2) hours after the conclusion of an event.
- No overnight parking is permitted.
- Local Campgrounds, Recreational Vehicle Parks, as well as, the Wal-Mart parking lot are located within 5 miles of campus.

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- The Director of Non University Events shall designate permissible tailgating areas/parking spaces that will be available on a first-come, first-served basis and cannot be saved.
- Tailgating is permitted only in areas where the flow of traffic is not obstructed and must comply with the University's regulations.
- Tailgating that uses or infringes upon an additional adjacent parking space is prohibited.
- Only small weighted tents that are not staked into ground may be erected in tailgating/parking lot areas.
- Waste food items and trash, including charcoal, must be disposed of in appropriate containers, which are provided throughout the grounds.
- Glass containers are not permitted.
- Kegs, party balls, pooling and/or mass purchases of alcohol is prohibited.
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- Fire pits are not permitted.
- Private Tailgates Hosted by Faculty, Staff, Parents and Fans: Private social events at homes and in similar settings such as tailgates are a tradition of long standing and are a means through which faculty, staff and students can widen the context in which they know each other. University policy and state law still precludes the serving of alcoholic beverages to anyone under 21 years of age. Hosts who furnish alcohol to underage students may incur criminal risks and personal civil liability exposure.
- University Sponsored Closed Invitation Tailgates: These are campus-sponsored events which are restricted to “invited guests only” such as Alumni Office Sponsored Tailgates, Football Alumni Tailgate, Corporate Sponsor Tailgates. Alcohol may be made available in accordance with University policy and all state laws. Major requirements include: the event must be approved by and registered with the Dean of Students, signs about the legal age for consumption must be posted; alcohol must be dispensed by a trained, professional bartender - not an undergraduate, and alcoholic beverages must not be served to anyone intoxicated or under 21 years of age.
- University Open Invitation Events: These are University-sponsored events which are open to the entire University community and, frequently, to non-University personnel as well. Such University sponsored events must be alcohol free, without exception. Any violation of tailgating regulations may result in immediate termination of tailgating privileges and criminal prosecution and/or disciplinary action through the Bucknell Office of Public Safety, the Dean of Students Office or local law enforcement agencies.

For information or questions, call 570.577.3095 (Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.).
Christy Mathewson Memorial Stadium on the campus of Bucknell University