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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Distribution and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages in the Division of Military and Naval Affairs (DMNA) Facilities

1. **Applicability:** This policy is applicable to all members assigned to the State's Organized Militia, including the Army National Guard, Air National Guard, Naval Militia, New York Guard, and all State and Federal employees of the Division of Military and Naval Affairs (Division) and Joint Force Headquarters-NY.

2. **References:**

a. New York State Military Law.

b. The Governor's Office of Employee Relations' policy memorandum, "Policy on Alcohol and Controlled Substances in the Workplace and Information on the Federal Drug-Free Workplace Act."

c. The Federal Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988.

3. This memorandum sets forth the official policy of DMNA regarding the sale, distribution and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages within DMNA. DMNA facilities include all facilities as defined in DMNA Regulation 420-1. This memorandum supersedes any previously issued policy letters.

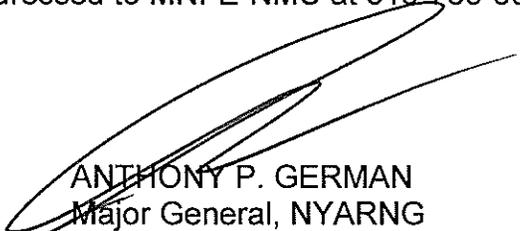
4. Alcoholic beverages, including wine, spirituous and malt liquors, are banned from DMNA facilities and workplaces. This prohibition does not apply to civil associations or clubs, caterers or licensees, lessees, concessionaires or certain social activities of organizations of the organized militia under specific conditions as outlines in the enclosure.

5. Violation of this policy places the entire chain of command, military and civilian, at great risk. Violators will be disciplined to the fullest extent possible.

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6. Questions concerning the proper use of alcoholic beverages in DMNA facilities may be addressed to the Office of Legal Affairs (MNLA) at 518-786-4561. Questions concerning rental events should be addressed to MNFE-NMU at 518-786-6079.



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Alcohol beverages, including wines, spirits and malt liquors are banned from DMNA facilities and workplaces in accordance with the policy established by The Adjutant General. Itemized below are the specific terms and conditions under which exceptions to said policy are authorized:

a. Civil association or club. Alcoholic beverages may be served within the confines of a fully licensed and insured clubroom. If the club is to serve as the "caterer" for any event, such as a nonmilitary use event or activity in an area other than the clubroom, the club must obtain a temporary liquor/wine permit for each event/distribution point.

b. Social activities of the organized militia or other DMNA element:

(1) Without a licensed caterer, alcohol may be served at social activities such as retirement parties, change of command ceremonies, and other such celebratory events only with prior approval of the unit commander and the Officer in Charge and Control (OIC&C) of the facility. The unit commander and the OIC&C shall be responsible for ensuring proper conduct at the event and shall be held accountable for same.

(2) With a licensed caterer, permission to have alcoholic beverages served by a licensed caterer at social functions requires advance approval using the same process as described above. The caterer must possess a current New York State liquor license and permits to serve at the location of the event. A separate permit must be posted at each point of distribution of alcoholic beverages. The unit commander and OIC&C will still remain responsible and accountable.

c. Nonmilitary use events:

(1) The sale, distribution or consumption of alcoholic beverages in conjunction with a nonmilitary use agreement will be subject to approval in advance. The Application for Nonmilitary use of DMNA Facility, DMNA Form 210-1, or any other letter of application for a nonmilitary use agreement must indicate if alcohol is to be used or sold. DMNA reserves the right to deny approval to serve alcoholic beverages at any event which would serve the best interests of DMNA and the State.

(2) Private, social nonmilitary use event. This type of rental includes birthday parties, anniversary parties, wedding receptions, showers, retirement parties and other small events of a strictly private, invitation-only nature. In some cases, individuals hosting these events may wish to serve alcoholic beverages and food, but are not using the services of a caterer. Alcohol may be served and consumed, but not sold, by individuals at private social events under an approved and executed nonmilitary use agreement with appropriate liability insurance coverage. Alcohol may not be sold by anyone or any organization without a permit from the New York State Liquor Authority.

If a licensed caterer or restaurateur is serving alcoholic beverages at a private function under an approved and executed nonmilitary use agreement, said caterer or restaurateur is responsible for having the appropriate license and insurance as applicable under New York State Alcoholic Beverage Control Law.

(3) At all other nonmilitary use events, the sale or distribution of alcohol may be accomplished only by a fully insured caterer or restaurateur possessing the appropriate alcohol permit. The applicable permit must be posted at each distribution point as required by law.