

How
to
have
a
No-Bust Party



*The Concord Police
Department wants you to have
a good time with your friends.
We suggest these ways to keep
your party a good party for
everyone!*

7 *Tips from
the People
Who Know*



WARNING

Concord Municipal Code Section 3130-3135 allows the police to charge a fee for police services when those services were the result of a large gathering of persons that are disturbing the public peace, health, safety, or general welfare of the neighborhood.

If police respond to your party, they will put you on notice that a second response will result in a billing for police services.

These charges can be as much as **\$500** and may be in addition to any other necessary police actions such as arrest.

For more information regarding any of these “No Bust” party tips, call the Community Relations Bureau of the Concord Police Department.



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Parties are meant to be fun. However, sometimes one person's fun can be another person's aggravation.

If you're planning to throw a party, here are a few things you should think about.

1 CONSIDER YOUR NEIGHBORS.

Remember that some people have small children who go to bed early. Some of your neighbors may be sick or elderly or someone may have to go to work early, even on weekend mornings. It's a good idea to let your neighbors know about your party beforehand so they can expect some extra noise and people.

2 SERVING LIQUOR TO MINORS IS NOT ONLY ILLEGAL, IT'S ALSO A FAST WAY TO GET YOUR PARTY SHUT DOWN.

3 DON'T ALLOW DRUGS AT YOUR PARTY!

4 KEEP THE NOISE DOWN.

Officers don't drive around looking for parties to break up but they do respond to citizen complaints. Bands, stereos, car engines, and the noise of dozens of people yelling, singing or even fighting often result in a complaint to the Police Department. Excessive noise is against the law and remember, noise becomes more of a problem as the night goes on. Keep the party reasonably quiet and chances are there will be no problem.

5 LIMIT THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE YOU INVITE AND BE SURE YOU KNOW WHO THEY ARE.

A big crowd increases the chances of complaints and fights, both of which may result in officers showing up.

6 DON'T ALLOW PEOPLE TO DRINK TO THE POINT THAT THEY GET OUT OF CONTROL.

Don't let a few extra drinks ruin your party. You may be legally responsible for the actions of the people attending your party. As the person holding the party, you should stay in control of your guests.

7 IF OFFICERS DO COME TO YOUR PARTY, COOPERATE WITH THEM.

Officers have the legal right and obligation to investigate complaints and to enforce the law, even if it means coming onto your property to do it. Listen to what they say and try to correct the problem.

ACT SENSIBLY AND BE RESPONSIBLE!

