

Section 175-1-11: Alcoholic Liquor and Beer.

- (a) No person shall consume or possess alcoholic liquor other than beer within the limits of a park or recreational facility, and then only in parks or recreational facilities that contain sporting event fields and/or beaches.
- (b) No person shall possess beer within the limits of a park or recreational facility between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and the time said facility opens to the public on the following day, nor shall any person consume beer while inside of a motor vehicle.
- (c) No person shall sell or offer any alcoholic beverages, including beer, for sale within the limits of a park or recreational facility, except a person with a valid permit to sell beer, duly issued by the State of Connecticut, who is also issued a permit by the Parks and Recreation Commission and Office of Operations to sell beer within the limits of a park or recreational facility. A person shall be deemed to have offered alcoholic beverages for sale within the meaning of this section if he offers alcoholic beverages free of charge but charges a fee for paper cups or other containers for delivery or consumption of such beverages.
- (d) In any proceeding for a violation of this section involving a motor vehicle, the operator of such vehicle, or, where the operator cannot be identified, the registered owner of such vehicle, shall be deemed prima facie to be the violator.
- (e) Any person who violates any provision of subsection (a) or (b) of this section shall be guilty of a Level 2 violation of these Regulations.
- (f) Any person who violates any provision of subsection (c) of this section shall be guilty of a Level 4 violation of these Regulations.

Amending to conform with the following ordinance (Note Sec. D[2]):

Sec. 72-2.1. - Pilot program concerning the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages on municipal property.

From the enactment date of this ordinance and for twelve (12) months thereafter, the provisions of [Section 72-2](#) are temporarily superseded by the following sections.

A. Definitions. For purposes of this section:

1. "Alcoholic liquor" has the same meaning as set forth in Section 30-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
2. "Parked Vehicle" has the same meaning as set forth in Section 14-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
3. "Open Container" means any open bottle; any bottle which was sealed, which seal has been broken, whether or not stopped; any can which has been opened in any way; any keg or other device prepared to dispense; or any glass, cup, jar, or other vessel.
4. "Public Highway" means a highway, road, street, avenue, boulevard, or other way within the City of Stamford and open to public use, including the sidewalks of any such highway.
5. "Public Area" means any means any property owned, controlled, or maintained by the City of Stamford that is used or held out for use by the public, including, but not limited to, parks, plazas, streets, sidewalks, and grassy areas adjacent to city streets.
6. "Parking Area" means lots, areas or other accommodations for the parking of motor vehicles off the street or highway and open to public use with or without charge.

- B. Except as permitted in Section D hereof, no person shall consume any Alcoholic Liquor, or possess any Open Container of Alcoholic Liquor on or within the limits of any Public Highway or Public Area within the City of Stamford. For purposes of this section, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the consumption of Alcoholic Liquor or the possession of an Open Container of Alcoholic Liquor in parked vehicles on or within a Public Highway or Public Area is a violation hereof.
- C. No person shall consume any Alcoholic Liquor or possess any Open Container of Alcoholic Liquor in any building or room maintained for the sale, distribution, or dispensing of Liquor in any building or room maintained for the sale, distribution, or dispensing of Alcoholic Liquors except in accordance with Title 30 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
- D. Exceptions. Notwithstanding the foregoing:
1. The consumption of Alcoholic Liquor and possession of an Open Container of Alcoholic Liquor is permitted during any function, festival, event or celebration conducted on or within a Public Highway or Public Area pursuant to any federal or state law, City of Stamford ordinance, City of Stamford resolution, or permit authorizing such consumption and or possession.
 2. The consumption and/or possession of beer, outside of vehicles, in non-glass containers, shall be permitted in all City of Stamford Parks that contain sporting event fields and/or beaches in accordance with the regulations adopted pursuant to [Section 175-1](#) of the Code of Ordinances.
- E. Penalty. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be fined one hundred dollars (\$100) for each offense.
- F. When Effective. The provisions of this Pilot Program Concerning the Sale and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages on Municipal Property, [Section 72-2.1](#), shall take effect upon enactment and expire twelve (12) months thereafter. Upon expiration, [Section 72-2](#), excluding [Section 72-2.1](#), shall be in effect.