When underage drinking or cannabis use occurs on your property,

## YOU are liable.



Under Connecticut's Social Host Law, it's a Class A misdemeanor to allow minors to drink alcohol or use cannabis in your home and on your property.

As the "host," you may be fined up to \$2,000 and receive up to 1 year in jail.

- Even if you weren't present at the time
- Even if you didn't plan the party or gathering
- Even if you didn't provide the alcohol or cannabis
- Even if you aren't over age 21
- Even if it only happened once





**Protect Yourself.** 

Prevent Underage Substance Use.

- Store alcohol and cannabis in a securely locked cabinet or box.
- Establish a house rule that no one under age 21 is allowed to use alcohol or cannabis, and discuss what the consequences will be.
- Never give your permission for minors to drink alcohol or use cannabis on your property—and never turn a blind eye when you suspect it may be happening.
- When your child has a party or invites friends over, remain at home and check in frequently.
- Discuss the risks of substance use early and often with adolescents and teens.



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