

## **SOCIETY POLICY**

### **ALCOHOL AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES**

#### **I. PREFACE**

It is important that ASME meetings and events be conducted in a manner and way which demonstrate to the public a responsible professional image and responsible citizenship.

#### **II. PURPOSE**

To state the ASME policy relative to the use of alcoholic beverages and controlled substances.

#### **III. POLICY**

A. It is ASME policy that alcoholic beverages:

1. shall not be the central focus of meetings and events in which units of ASME participate,
2. shall not be publicized as an inducement for attending meetings and events in which units of ASME participate,
3. shall be served only by and at licensed establishments wherever possible,
4. shall only be available when non-alcoholic beverages are also available,
5. shall be served only in compliance with all Federal, State, and local laws and/or ordinances, and
6. shall be served only in compliance with the policies and regulations of the relevant educational institutions when students are involved.

B. Illegal use of controlled substances at meetings and events in which units of ASME participate is prohibited.

#### **IV. PROCEDURE**

Responsibility for ensuring compliance with this Society Policy is vested in the ASME unit(s) involved in organizing the meeting or event.

Responsibility: Board of Governors

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