

Northern State University Tailgate Policy

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Sources/Links:

[BOR Policy 4:27](#) – Drug Free Environment

[BOR Policy 6:14](#) – Sale of Alcoholic Beverages at Institutions

NORTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY

Policies and Guidelines

SUBJECT: Northern State University Tailgate Policy

NUMBER: 1.01

1. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ensure a safe and enjoyable tailgating experience for the Northern State University (Northern) fanbase. This policy will be in effect for the 2021 Northern football season.

2. Definitions

Northern State University is responsible for the safety of the tailgating experience on the Northern Campus.

3. Policy

- a. HOURS – The Tailgate lots (See linked map below) will open 3 hours prior to kick-off and will close 30 minutes prior to kick-off.
 - a. <https://nsuwolves.com/sports/2018/12/19/dacotah-bank-stadium-home.aspx>
- b. GRILLS – Open fire pits are not allowed. Charcoal, pellet and gas grills are permitted. However, we ask that propane tanks be limited to the 5-10-gallon size. Any charcoal should be disposed of in the designated charcoal waste bins.
- c. BULK CONTAINERS – Kegs, party balls, bottles/containers exceeding 1.5 gallons, etc. will not be permitted.
- d. ALCOHOL – Beer and wine will be permitted in the Premier Reserved Tailgating Lot and the Barnett Center Priority Lot only. Only individuals that are 21 and over are allowed to consume alcohol in the tailgate lot.
- e. NO GLASS CONTAINERS - For safety considerations, all tailgaters must use plastic or metal containers only; no glass will be permitted.
- f. TENTS – Tents will be permitted in the tailgate area. However, tents must be placed immediately in front or behind the fan's vehicle. Tents must stay within allotted tailgating location and must not impede upon driving lanes. Fans must provide a weight system for tents on windy days.
- g. NO EXTERNAL STEREO SYSTEMS ALLOWED – Out of the courtesy to others using the same parking lots, only portable radio/stereo units will be permitted. House stereo units requiring an external power source will not be allowed.

- h. TRASH/RECYCLING - Please pick up, bag and place your trash in trash receptacles provided throughout the tailgating lots prior to entering the game. Tailgate spots that are not cleaned up prior to kick-off, will be subject to cancelation of future games or fines
- i. SMALL GAS-POWERED INVERTER GENERATORS ALLOWED - For space and safety reasons, large (4000+ watt) and/or loud (rated at 70+ dB) generators are not permitted.
- j. RE-ENTRY – There will be no re-entry into Dacotah Bank Stadium.
- k. PROHIBITED ITEMS – The following items are prohibited in the Tailgate areas:
 - a. Animals, except service animals permitted by law
 - b. Drugs or illegal substances
 - c. E-Cigarettes, Cigars, and Vaporizers
 - d. Tobacco Products
 - e. Flasks
 - f. Glass Bottles
 - g. Increased Alcohol Consumption Devices or activities (e.g. beer pong, funnels, etc.)
 - h. Laser Pens
 - i. Pepper Spray
 - j. Skateboards, Bikes, Rollerblades
 - k. Weapons or explosives of any kind

4. Responsible Administrator

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