



ALCOHOL- AND DRUG POLICY
2019-2020

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PREFACE

Dear reader,

The 73rd Board of the Vereniging Studenten Psychologie en Pedagogiek aan de Vrije Universiteit te Amsterdam (hereinafter referred to as VSPVU) hereby presents the alcohol- and drug policy for the academic year 2019-2020. We want to thank you for the time you take to read our alcohol- and drug policy. This policy is based on the vision of the 73rd Board, the alcohol- and drug policy of the 72nd Board and the Dutch law. With this policy we hope to contribute to the safety of the members of the association and the pleasant atmosphere in the association.

We proudly present ourselves:

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ALCOHOL POLICY

Alcohol will be tolerated on the activities of the VSPVU, provided that this is appropriate. The use of alcohol will not be appreciated for activities such as a lecture or an excursion.

To consume alcohol, the person must be 18 years old or older. If there are doubts about the age, identification can always be requested. When it is clear that an under-aged person consumes alcohol, the alcohol will be taken away and an official warning will always be given. An extreme measure may be that the person will be removed from the activity.

The Board has, at all times, the right to decide to ban alcohol on an activity. When this is decided, this will be announced prior to the event.

In the case of a violation of the published rules, or in the case of such excessive alcohol consumption, the member in question may receive a request for a meeting with (a member of) the Board. Following this meeting, the Board can decide to issue an official warning and to deny access to activities, the exact duration will be determined by the Board. When a member receives a second official warning, this leads to denial of access to activities, the exact duration will be determined by the Board.

If a member of the committee violates the rules relating to alcohol use on his or her own activity, the Board will always give an official warning and in the extreme case the Board may decide to deny the member in question from participation in committees that have a special responsibility towards members.

The Board always holds the right to apply a different consequence, depending on the situation.

When a member disagrees with the given consequence, one can ask the Advisory Board for a revision of the given consequence.

Members are always responsible for (the extent of) their alcohol use. The VSPVU is not responsible for this.

DRUG POLICY

On domestic activities, when the location allows, the use and possession of soft drugs will be tolerated. When the location prohibits the use of soft drugs, this rule will expire. Soft drugs, in this case, only means weed and hashish, the use and possession of all other drugs will not be allowed even if the Dutch law allows them.

If it is suspected that a member has violated this rule, he or she will be asked to have a conversation with (a member of) the Board and awaiting this conversation the Board may decide to remove the member from the activity. If the member has actually violated the rules, the Board will issue an official warning at all times and can deny access to activities, the exact duration will be determined by the Board. When a member receives a second official warning, this leads to denial of access to activities, the exact duration will be determined by the Board.

The use and possession of any form of drugs is not allowed on activities abroad. If a member violates this rule, he or she will receive an official warning and will be obliged to destroy the existing drugs. In the case of drugs use on a foreign activity, this will always, irrespective of whether it concerns a first or a second official warning, lead to denial of access to activities following the foreign activity, the exact duration will be determined by the Board.

If a member of the committee violates the rules regarding drug use on his or her own activity, the Board will always give an official warning and in the extreme cases the Board may decide to deny the member in question from participation in committees that have a special responsibility towards members.

The Board always holds the right to apply a different consequence, depending on the situation.

When a member deals in illegal substances in the VSPVU room and/or on activities the people whom are involved will be reported to the authorities.

When a member disagrees with the given consequence, one can ask the Advisory Board for a revision of the given consequence.

Members are always responsible for (the extent of) their drug use. The VSPVU is not responsible for this.