



# Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge Rules and Regulations

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**Loyal Order of Moose**  
**Arlington #1315**  
5710 Scoville Street, Falls Church, VA 22041

## **Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge Rules & Regulations**

***The LOOM Board of Officers operates the Lodge, including the Social Quarters, and under authority of the Constitution and General Laws of the Loyal Order of the Moose***

### **A. General**

- A.1 The Social Quarters Manager or their designated Stewards will be responsible to the House Committee to see that the Rules and Regulations herein are being strictly enforced at all times.
- A.2 Admittance of members and their guests are to be strictly enforced according to the Rules and Regulations. No member will be admitted to the Lodge or Social Quarters without a current membership card in his or her possession. No member or guest will be allowed in the building if intoxicated. The judgment of the Social Quarters Manager or their designated Stewards will rule on these matters when they arise. If the Social Quarters Manager or Steward on duty refuses a member and/or guest service, he or she must leave the premises immediately.
- A.3 Social Quarters hours of operation will be posted at the front door of the Social Quarters and within the Social Quarters. However, at the discretion of the Social Quarters Manager or their Steward on duty, the Lodge may close 1 hour early (or less within the last hour) from the stated closing hour if there are 3 or less individuals within the Social Quarters.
- A.4 The Social Quarters Manager or Steward on duty will give last call at the bar thirty (30) minutes before the closing hour and will give a closing reminder ten (10) minutes before closing. In the case where the Social Quarters Manager or Steward on duty made a decision to close 1 hour early (or less within the last hour) if there are 3 or less individuals within the Social Quarters, the Social Quarters Manager or Steward on duty will give last call at the bar ten (10) minutes prior to closing of the Social Quarters.
- A.5 No mixed drinks, or open alcoholic beverages (e.g. beer and wine) of any kind shall be carried from the Lodge building into the public parking area; or from the public parking area into the Lodge building.

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- A.6 Approved games (cards, darts, Wii games, Cornhole, etc) can only be played in the Banquet Room, the bar areas, the non-smoking fireplace area, or in the backyard area of the Lodge provided it is not disruptive to others or does not interfere with Scheduled Moose Lodge functions (including the rental of facilities for income). The Social Quarters Manager or their authorized Stewards will rule on these matters when they arise on a case-by case matter.
- A.7 The restricted areas in the public parking area are to be observed as reserved parking areas (especially marked handicap spaces). Anyone that parks in these areas, other than those authorized, either by local/federal regulations or by the LOOM Board of Officers, is subject to having their vehicle towed.
- A.8 Only staff working in the Moose Lodge (employed or volunteered) and the LOOM Board of Officers shall be allowed in the Kitchen Area; unless members are supporting Lodge functions. However, at the discretion of the Social Quarters Manager or the Steward on duty, authorization may be granted for any member or guest to be in the Kitchen Area on a case-by-case basis; including functions associated with the rental of the Banquet Hall.

### **B. Social Quarters**

- B.1 Only Loyal Order of Moose or Women of the Moose members may make purchases within the Social Quarters, including the Banquet Hall and the fence enclosed backyard; unless dispensation for a public activity has been approved by Moose International. Rental functions in the Banquet Hall are considered an approved public activity.
- B.2 Members are responsible for the conduct of their guests to comply with the rules and regulations set forth herein and by Moose International.
- B.3 Gentlemanly and ladylike (orderly) conduct is required of all persons (members and guests) at all times in the Lodge and Social Quarters.
- B.4 No person in a state of intoxication will be admitted into the Lodge or Social Quarters. The Social Quarters Manager or their designated Steward on duty is authorized to refuse to serve anyone, at any time, that are not compliant to the rules and regulations set forth herein.
- B.5 Loud, profane, obscene, or inappropriate cultural comments (race, religion, age, etc.) will not be tolerated in the Social Quarters or the Lodge at any time. Compliance to Section 48.9, titled Enforce Decorum, of The General Laws of the Moose fraternity will apply for possible disciplinary action by the Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge; which includes recognized guests.

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- B.6 Members are required to show their valid (non-expired) Moose membership cards upon request of the Social Quarters Manager, the Steward on duty, or a designated member for a Lodge function in order to make the first purchase of any kind within the Lodge. **There are no exceptions.** Not displaying a valid Moose membership card upon request will result in the refusal of serve for any purchase; unless a dispensation for a public activity has been approved by Moose International.
- B.7 Being present in the Lodge building during the closed hours is unlawful for any member or guest; unless authorized by the House Committee or they are participating in a designated Lodge activity (e.g.: preparation for a scheduled Lodge activity, building/product inventory, maintenance, equipment repair, etc.). The Social Quarters Manager or Steward on duty, at their discretion, may extend occupancy beyond the closing hours to allow the completion of current ongoing activities; however, no additional members are allowed to enter the Lodge after the specified closing hours.
- B.8 No one will be allowed to bring their own alcohol, with the exception of wine and hard liquor, onto the Moose Lodge premises. As the Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge provides wine for sale, the wine brought onto the Lodge premises will have to be opened at the bar for an established corking fee. Hard liquor (e.g.: gin, bourbon, vodka, etc.) brought into the Lodge must be presented to the Social Quarters Manager or the Steward on duty each time of entry into the Lodge and Social Quarters; so that serving of the hard liquor can be performed by the Social Quarters Manager or the Steward on duty during that particular visit to the Lodge. Even though the said member-provided wine or hard liquor is owned by the member, the Social Quarters Manager or the Steward on duty has the right to refuse further service to the member or guests based on their determination of the individual(s) being intoxicated. It is the responsibility of the members to ensure that their names are legibly marked on the bottles.
- B.9 Dogs are not allowed in rooms where food is being “served” unless passing through to gain entrance to an attached room within the Lodge or the Social Quarters, or the open backyard of the Lodge.
- B.10 Only the Social Quarters Manager or the Steward on duty shall be behind the bar areas (smoking and non-smoking) during the operating hours of the Social Quarters. However, at the discretion of the Social Quarters Manager or the Steward on duty, permission for authorization may be granted for any member to be behind the bar areas, on a case-by-case basis; to perform Lodge activities (e.g.; gaming functions, restocking of beverages to be sold, etc.)
- B.11 Smoking is only allowed in the designated smoking bar area and the exterior areas of the Moose building.

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- B.12 Moose Lodge functions will take precedent over all other events within the Social Quarters or the Lodge, except rental agreements for the use of the Banquet Hall. The LOOM Board of Officers will coordinate all Moose Lodge functions to not interfere with rental agreements of the Banquet Hall; however, reserves the right to conduct non-interfering, simultaneous events/functions within the Social Quarters.
- B.13 Only members of the Moose Lodge, or its associated Chapter, shall be allowed to rent the Banquet Hall for a function. The member renting the Banquet Hall shall be responsible for the conduct of all their guests and the complete cleaning up of the Banquet Hall after the rental function.
- B.14 Any person, member or guest, violating these rules and regulations will be required to leave and be escorted from the premises, and will be denied the privileges of the Social Quarters and/or the Lodge until reinstated by the House Committee in accordance with Section 48.9, titled Enforce Decorum, of The General Laws of the Moose fraternity.
- B.15 It shall be the duty of the members of the House Committee of the Lodge and the authorized Lodge employees to strictly enforce these rules and regulations. Refusal of service shall be in accordance with B.4 of these rules and regulations.
- B.16 Members are responsible for the conduct of their children at all times while utilizing the facilities of the Lodge. Anyone under the age of 18 must leave the Social Quarters no later than 9:00 P.M., Sunday through Thursday, and 10:00 P.M., Friday and Saturday unless otherwise approved by the House Committee.
- B.17 The Juke Box in the Social Quarters will be turned off anytime a band or DJ is performing in the Lodge (Social Quarters or the Banquet Hall), except while the band or DJ is on break. In addition, a member of the House Committee reserves the right to momentarily “silence” the Juke Box to make announcements during a Lodge function or scheduled weekly activities (e.g.: Queen of Hearts drawing).
- B.18 Televisions within the Social Quarters have priority over the Juke Box during what is known as “Sports Time” (when members are actively viewing sporting events). The Social Quarters Manager or their authorized Stewards will rule on these matters when they arise on a case-by case matter. Selection of channel on a television is on first come – first serve basis.
- B.19 Only the Social Quarters Manager, the Steward on duty, or a LOOM Board of Directors member shall operate (on or off) the bar SmokeEaters, unless a member is given expressed permission by Social Quarters Manager or the Steward on duty.

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- B.20 Bar SmokeEaters shall always be operating (“on” position) when there are more than 5 smokers within the Lodge Social Quarters.
- B.21 The fireplace within the non-smoking fireplace area of the Social Quarters shall only be operated (on or off) by the Social Quarters Manager or the Steward on duty using the remote controller. Moose members should never attempt to operate (on or off) the fireplace.

### **C. Guidelines for Children in the Social Quarters**

- C.1 A Parents or a responsible adult MUST be present at all times when their children are at the Lodge.
- C.2 No children under the age of 16 years old are allowed to play darts, pool, shuffle board, or participate in a Lodge sponsored sporting event without a parent or a responsible adult supervising the activity.
- C.3 The following are general rules for children while at the Lodge facilities, including the fenced enclosed backyard and the public parking area unless specific areas are specified:
- 1) No running within the Lodge building;
  - 2) No foul language;
  - 3) No hitting or fighting;
  - 4) No throwing of items within the Lodge building;
  - 5) No riding of bicycles or skateboards, but bicycles are allowed if it is the means of transportation to/from the Lodge;
  - 6) No playing in the public parking area;
  - 7) No drinks are to be set on games or machines;
  - 8) Non-disposable drink containers are to be returned to the bar in the non-smoking area; and
  - 9) Parents are responsible to see that all trash from activities of their children are properly disposed of prior to leaving the Lodge.