



# HAVING A PARTY?

**GREAT! BUT...** Do you know that you are responsible for what happens to guests when they are in your home? Reduce the risk of injury, damage or broken laws because of alcohol or drugs. Why take chances?

**PLAN AHEAD** to make sure your party is safe and fun for everyone. This PACT and set of guidelines has been designed to help you discuss and agree on the best and safest way to have your party.

## THE ULTIMATE PARTY PACT

At the home of: \_\_\_\_\_ Party host \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Start Time \_\_\_\_\_ Finish Time \_\_\_\_\_

Who's invited: friends from \_\_\_\_\_ max. # invited \_\_\_\_\_

**Responsibilities:** HOST...  set-up  clean-up  other \_\_\_\_\_  
 PARENT/S...  supervision  help prepare food  other \_\_\_\_\_

**Supervision:**  parent/s will be present  
 parent/s will be present, but in other area of house, except for emergencies  
 parent/s, or their designate \_\_\_\_\_, can spot check at any time

**Party Rules:** Smoking  no!  Outside only  In \_\_\_\_\_ (specify room/s) only  
 Drugs  no!  
 Alcohol  none!  19 & over  BYOB (19 & over)  Host supplies (19 & over)

Areas of house off-limits \_\_\_\_\_

Use of lighting/candles \_\_\_\_\_

Use of telephone, TV, VCR, stereo \_\_\_\_\_

Noise: keep it down after \_\_\_\_\_ pm

**Activities:** **O.K.**  music  videos  food  dancing  **Not O.K.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Transportation:** How will guests get home?  
 picked up by parent/adult  drive vehicle  taxi  
 driven home by host parent  in vehicle of another guest  
 walk in group or with adult  other \_\_\_\_\_

**What to do if...** Someone arrives intoxicated or with alcohol or drugs \_\_\_\_\_  
 Guests don't follow party rules \_\_\_\_\_  
 Someone wants to drive impaired \_\_\_\_\_  
 Party gets out-of-hand \_\_\_\_\_

In case of an emergency (injury, fire, illness) contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (host) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature (parent) \_\_\_\_\_

THINK ABOUT IT...

TALK ABOUT IT...



PLAN AHEAD...

MAKE A PACT...

### “HAVING A PARTY” CHECKLIST FOR HOST

- Have control of the entrance (invited guests only!)
- Do not tolerate dangerous behaviour or broken rules.
- Check party area for hazards.
- Provide snacks and non-alcoholic drinks.
- Have music, CDs, sound system ready.
- Have party helpers lined up.
- Have party activities arranged (e.g. games, dance, videos).
- Know how guests are getting home.
- Call on your parent/s or adult if any guests get out of hand.
- Discuss party guidelines with your parent/s and record by using the Party PACT (see reverse).

### “HAVING A PARTY” CHECKLIST FOR PARENTS

- Be home during the party.
- Set clear rules about smoking, alcohol, and drugs.
- Negotiate how many people can come.
- Talk about when the party will start and end.
- Decide which rooms and/or items in the house are off limits.
- Have plenty of food and non-alcoholic drinks.
- Make sure everyone has a safe ride home.
- Keep cash on hand for taxis (just in case).
- Allow friends to stay over if they can't get a ride home.
- Discuss what to do in case of an emergency.
- Record your discussion by filling out the Party PACT (see reverse) with your child.

### “GOING TO A PARTY” CHECKLIST FOR PARENTS: WHAT TO DISCUSS WITH YOUR KIDS...

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Who is having the party?                         | <input type="checkbox"/> What is the phone number there?                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Where is the party?                              | <input type="checkbox"/> How will you handle pressure to try alcohol, drugs, smoking? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Who are you going with?                          | <input type="checkbox"/> What will you do if you want to come home early?             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Will there be a parent or adult there?           | <input type="checkbox"/> What time will you come home?                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> How will you get there? • How will you get home? |   |

Let your kids know you care about their safety. Let them know they can call you at any time if they find themselves in a difficult or dangerous situation.

**CHECK OUT THE PARTY PACT** — on the other side of this checklist.

It's a great way to plan ahead to make sure your party is safe and fun for everyone.