

You hold  
the key to  
a safe  
party



## Have fun and be safe

The perfect ending to any gathering is a safe trip home for all your guests. Your responsibilities as host do not end when your guests walk out the door. If an intoxicated guest injures someone on the way home, you could be held legally responsible.

### Tips to prevent intoxication

- Serve plenty of non-alcoholic beverages.
- Do not force alcohol on your guests. Do not rush to refill empty glasses.
- **Always** serve food with alcohol. Pizza, bread, cheese, crackers, meat and other high-protein, high-carbohydrate snacks are good choices.
- Limit salty or greasy snacks that may make guests thirsty.
- Plan party activities; do not make drinking the focus of the gathering.
- Stop serving alcohol several hours before the party ends.

### The key to responsibility

Even the best plans can fail, so be able to identify and deal with an intoxicated guest.

- Watch for anyone who is unusually talkative, giddy, sleepy or uncoordinated.
- Arrange a safe ride home for intoxicated guests with a friend or in a taxi.
- Be prepared to stand your ground to prevent guests from driving home drunk. Insist your guests stay at your home rather than drive while under the influence of alcohol.
- Do not allow anyone to drink and drive. As a host, you may be held liable for their actions.

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