

POST-EXAM CELEBRATIONS

This applies to anyone who is, has been, or will be a candidate for any University examination during the year.

Rule 14¹ made by the Examination and Assessment Committee states: *Candidates shall have regard for the welfare of others, including the general public, at the end of examination sessions (both their own and those of others). In particular they should avoid: noise that might disturb active examinations or other work nearby; littering or damage, especially with food or drink; obstructing highways or thoroughfares. Candidates shall comply with instructions given by University staff performing their duties.*

Disciplinary proceedings and a fine of up to £175 (subject to review) can be imposed for breaching this rule.

Previously, post-examination “celebrations” have led to:

- broken glass and spillages presenting a direct safety and health hazard to the public and students themselves
- disturbance to active examinations
- annoyance to people and damage, e.g. to cars; public members being sprayed with alcohol
- unacceptable litter and mess requiring special cleaning

The following actions may constitute breaches of Rule 14:

- Throwing food and drink of any description e.g. milk, flour, eggs, alcohol etc.
- Throwing paint, dye, glitter or anything that marks and cannot be brushed off
- Spraying or throwing anything in public places
- Spraying or throwing anything on a University site where it has been banned.

At a time when many are finding it difficult to make ends meet, the public witnessing such behaviours only serves to reinforce negative stereotypes relating to Cambridge students. The Proctors and Constables will therefore be taking a **zero tolerance** approach to any above practices henceforth.

Instructions from University staff and requests to give name and college must be obeyed. Failure to do so is a breach of the Rules of Behaviour for Registered Students and of the General Regulations for Discipline for other members of the University.

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¹ Ordinances Discipline, Examinations, Rules for the Guidance of Candidates and for the Prevention of Misconduct in Examinations <http://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/univ/so/>