

City of Martinsburg PODA FAQ

Where are the PODA boundaries? How will I know if I'm in the district?

The boundaries are marked with signs, and a map is online.

Can I take my PODA beverages anywhere in the PODA? Can I take them into retail establishments or other ABC licensed establishments?

You can take your PODA beverages, in an approved PODA cup, into any establishment that displays a green PODA-friendly logo on the storefront. If there is a red decal or no sign at all, the proprietor would prefer that you do not bring PODA beverages into the establishment. You may take the PODA beverages onto the sidewalks and crosswalks within the boundary but must dispose of the cup and any remaining beverage before exiting the district.

Can I bring my own cup or my own drink?

No. All PODA beverages must be purchased from a licensed participating PODA establishment and be in an approved single-use PODA cup.

Can I take my cup home?

No, finish your drink and dispose of the cup in a trash receptacle provided at the boundary signs. Don't litter. Receptacles are readily available.

Does this mean there are no laws regarding public intoxication in the PODA district?

No, the PODA is not a lawless district. Laws regarding public intoxication, indecency, noise, littering, and driving while intoxicated still apply.

Is the PODA 24/7?

The PODA is active Monday-Friday from 5 PM until 10 PM and on Saturday and Sunday from 10 AM-10PM. The City of Martinsburg reserves the right to amend PODA hours temporarily or permanently.

Should I enjoy myself responsibly and shop and dine at local downtown Martinsburg establishments and attend and support special events? YES!

