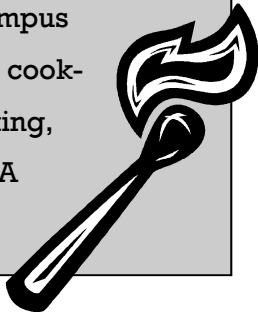


Safety First

The residential living experience should be a fun and safe one. One of the most dangerous inherent risks of living in close quarters, is the threat of fire. Far too many students have been badly injured or even lost their lives in fires which could easily have been prevented by using common sense and by following fire safety codes set in place by school officials. Please read this brochure carefully to make sure you are in compliance.

The leading causes of fires in on-campus and off-campus housing are arson, cooking, careless smoking, and candles. -NFPA



Fire Safety Fund

Our primary concern is a safe living environment. All fines from sanctions go towards fire safety education, equipment, and programming. If a student has questions about whether a certain item is permissible, they should take it to their RA or Hall Director. The student will not be fined if they come to us first. If we find a violation, however, the student found responsible will be fined and given a letter of reprimand.

Confiscation Policy

Prohibited items will be confiscated when found. Confiscated belongings are labeled and placed in storage. It is the student's responsibility to reclaim the item at a break or before a weekend. Unclaimed items will be kept until the end of the semester.

The following lists are subject to change.
Changes will be communicated to students by official postings.

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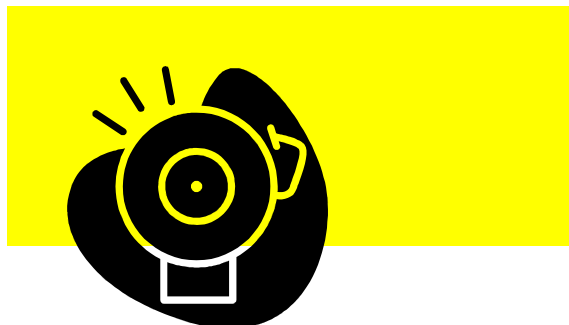
Punishable by Law

- Discharging or Removing a fire extinguisher
- Explosives/Fireworks of any type
- Breaking sprinkler heads
- Removing or covering smoke/heat detectors
- Disabling Fire Suppression System
- Disabling Fire Alarm System
- Arson
- Tampering with or Damaging the following: Fire Exit Lights, Fire Exit Signs, Pull Station, Horns, Strobes, Notification Devices, Fire Extinguishers, Fire Exit Doors
- Obstructing or Locking Fire Exit Doors.
- Improper use of an emergency exit
- Failure to observe ceiling clearances (18" sprinkled, 24" unsprinkled)
- Failure to exit during a fire alarm
- Blocking flow of water from sprinkler heads
- Attachments near or on sprinkler heads or water pipes

These violations will be investigated and sanctioned by the Fort Worth Fire Department. In addition, the student may be given a TWU sanction and removed from the residence halls.

Prohibited Items in the Residence Halls

- Halogen lamps
- Candles/incense
- All flammable/combustible liquids
- Smoking and/or evidence of smoking
- Power tools
- Fireworks
- Explosives/gun powder
- Any form or source of an open flame
- Real trees/Christmas trees
- George Forman type grills
- Toaster Ovens
- Deep Fryers
- Hot plates
- Construction Barriers
- Darts/Dart boards
- Water beds
- Electric Blankets
- Rice Cookers
- Heaters or Air Conditioning Units of any kind
- Appliances with extra outlets including Plug-in air fresheners
- Decorations that project away from the walls, are suspended in the air, or hang from the ceiling
- Holiday lights that plug into the wall
- Any appliance with an open heating element



Inspections and Fines

- Each semester residence hall staff will conduct at least one health and safety inspection of the residence halls. Any violation of the fire safety will result in a minimum \$25 fine per confiscation date along with a letter of reprimand.
- Any damages caused by the presence of unauthorized items or behavior will be charged to the student's account.
- Students are responsible for violations in their room, even if they are not directly responsible for the items or condition.

Extension cords and power strips:

- Extension cords must be no more than 14 gauge or 15 amps (must be heavy duty with three prongs)
- Multi-plug adapters must be circuit breaker protected
- Extension cords and Power strips must be plugged directly into the wall.

Permitted Appliances

- Microwave (one per room must be less than 1200 watts and plugged directly into the wall)
- Refrigerator under 4 cubic feet (one per room and plugged directly into the wall)
- Clothes iron with automatic shut off
- Curling/flat iron with automatic shut off
- Blender
- Televisions
- Stereos
- Computer and computer equipment
- Toaster (Wesleyan Village only)
- Crock pots/Hot pots
- Electric fans (but not ceiling fans)