

Fraternity & Sorority Housing Life Safety Expectations

Fire and electrical safety are high priorities in all residential facilities. For that reason, there are many fire safety measures in place:

- There is full sprinkler system coverage in all houses.
- Alarm signals are transmitted to a common receiver located in the Lehigh University Police Department.
- Inspections take place on a regular basis to ensure that all equipment is operating correctly.
- Monthly life safety inspections occur with Housing Services, Fraternity and Sorority Affairs, and chapter leadership.
- Fire drills and bedroom inspections occur each semester.

Residents play a vital role in fire and life safety. To ensure the integrity of the fire safety systems and the electrical systems in each facility, the following Life Safety guidelines are enforced:

MINOR LIFE SAFETY VIOLATIONS

- Failing to promptly exit facility when alarm signals
- Causing false alarms by activating pull stations, alarm systems, or hood suppression systems caused by careless cooking practices
- Violating the University's smoking or burning policy
- Parking vehicles in fire lanes
- Propping stairwell fire doors open
- Damaging, disabling, or otherwise altering electrical outlets, switches, or lighting fixtures, preventing proper function (emergency lights included)
- Connecting electrical devices to the electrical system by means other than a UL approved three prong electric plug into an existing electric outlet
- Connecting multiple electrical devices to one electric outlet causing an overload of the circuit
- The possession or storage of flammable materials (i.e.

MAJOR LIFE SAFETY VIOLATIONS

- Discharge fire extinguishers except to extinguish an actual fire
- Willfully removing or otherwise disabling smoke detection & suppression equipment, preventing proper function
- Willfully disabling any component of the fire alarm system
- Willfully disabling exit signs or emergency light fixtures
- Willfully blocking stairwells, exits, & hallways by furniture &/or trash
- Accessing or tampering with a main or sub-distribution panel
- Having wiring installed or altered by anyone other than a University designated professional
- Misusing a fireplace

NOTE: The above listing is a guide. Each incident will be evaluated and sanctioned accordingly, based on the circumstances of the incident.

MINOR VIOLATION SANCTIONS

Offense	Group (Common)	Individual (Bedroom or Chargeback)
1 st	\$300 fine, disciplinary warning	\$300 fine, disciplinary warning
2 nd	\$300 fine, \$25/member, disciplinary warning	\$300 fine, disciplinary warning
3 rd	\$500 fine, \$50/member, disciplinary probation	\$500 fine, disciplinary probation
4 th	\$750 fine, \$50/member, disciplinary probation	\$750 fine, disciplinary probation

MAJOR VIOLATION SANCTIONS

Offense	Group (Common)	Individual (Bedroom or Chargeback)
1 st	\$500 fine, disciplinary warning	\$500 fine, disciplinary warning
2 nd	\$1000 fine, disciplinary probation	\$1000 fine, disciplinary probation Possible removal from housing
3 rd	Loss of Right to University Group Housing	Removal from University Housing

Phone Numbers
Emergency (LUPD): 610-758-4200
Facilities Services: 610-758-3940

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