Prohibited Activities

1. Intentional activation of a fire alarm when there is no fire emergency is prohibited.
2. Removal of fire extinguishers from their installed locations or discharge of a fire extinguisher unless there is a fire emergency.
3. Tampering with any component of the smoke detection system, and or carbon monoxide detector. This may include, but is not limited to, covering, blocking or attaching items to fire protection equipment.
4. Blocking, even partially, doorways, hallways, and stairwells, which are all components of a means of egress.
5. Fire rated doors are designed to provide a specific degree of fire protection from fire and smoke. Fire doors shall not be propped open or disabled as to not function properly.
6. Tampering with components of a fire rated door.
7. Exit or Safety signs/markings are not to be altered, defaced, destroyed, covered, or removed.
8. Storing items on a cook top surface such as a stove or grill.
9. The storage of excessive amounts of paper or trash.
10. Refrigerators and microwaves shall not be powered by a power strip. These items must be plugged directly into the wall.
11. Coffee pots on combustible surfaces.

Prohibited Items

1. **Unapproved space heaters.**
2. **Cooking appliances** are limited to hot pots, popcorn poppers, and pop-up toasters (except in residential halls without kitchens) may only be utilized in designated break rooms.
3. **Heat–producing appliances** may not be left on while unattended or used in a hazardous manner.
4. **Torchiere halogen lamps.**
5. **Live Christmas trees.** Only artificial trees may be used for interior decorations and shall be labeled “fire resistant” or “flame retardant.”
6. **Live plants shall** not be decorated with any type of lighting or electrical source.
7. **Alcohol lamps, oil lamps, fireworks, flammable or combustible materials such as gasoline, kerosene, lighter fluid, charcoal products,** or similar substances are not permitted.
8. **Candles** (candles with cut wicks are permitted.)
9. **Multi-plug adapters (e.g., 3-way plugs)** or other splitters to increase the number of appliances on one outlet. An **UL-approved power strip** is acceptable but, must be plugged directly into the wall. **Do not plug a strip into another power strip.**
10. Electrical cords (not extension cords) must not be routed unsafely (under carpets, pathways, through doorways, taped down, etc.) Spliced, taped, or frayed cords must not be used.

11. Dimmer switches.

12. The use of extension cords that are not UL approved and must not be used as permanent wiring


Hazardous conditions not anticipated by specific reference in this policy are prohibited. Such conditions will be specifically identified.

A report of each inspection will be emailed to the department/building contact(s).