Health and Safety Inspections

Summary/Purpose: Health and Safety Inspections serve a crucial role in maintaining an atmosphere in the residence halls conducive to academic and personal success for our students. This policy explains the scheduling and procedures of health and safety inspections, and provides some examples of the most serious infractions.

Health and Safety Inspections are conducted by your Residence Hall Director and/or a facilities staff member. The inspection ensures that each room is in a safe and sanitary condition. Prior notice of the room inspection will be provided. These inspections will occur twice each semester. Eliminating safety hazards is of the utmost importance during these inspections. Overloaded circuits, prohibited appliances, alcohol or alcohol containers, candles and evidence of illegally smoking in the room are some of the most serious offenses. Students are subject to fines and judicial actions should any policy violations be found during an inspection.

It is important that a reasonable level of cleanliness be maintained in residence hall areas. If it is determined that a room or suite poses a safety hazard because it is unacceptably dirty and/or unhealthy, it must be cleaned within 24 hours or further action may be taken, including cleaning by University staff. Should this type of drastic measure become necessary, the residents of that room will be billed for cleaning costs. Please keep your room reasonably clean at all times to avoid this unpleasant possibility.