Chapter 504-24 WAC

POLICIES AND REGULATIONS FOR STUDENT LIVING GROUPS

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DISPOSITION OF SECTIONS FORMERLY CODIFIED IN THIS CHAPTER

504-24-010 Disciplinary structure and procedures. [Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.30.125 and 28B.30.150. 80-07-015 (Order 80-2, Resolution No. 6/80-15), § 504-24-010, filed 6/11/80; Order 77-2, § 504-24-010, filed 8/3/77; Order 73-6, § 504-24-010, filed 8/1/73; Order 4, § 504-24-010, filed 10/20/71; Order 3, § 504-24-010, filed 8/5/71.] Repealed by 89-11-065 (Order 89-1, Resolution No. 3-31-89-16), filed 5/18/89, effective 7/1/89.


WAC 504-24-025 University staff access to residence halls. University administrators or designees, officers, agents, or employees whose duties include working with residence hall residents or programs, performing custodial, maintenance, or operations of residence halls, or performing safety, emergency, security, police, or fire protection services shall have access to residence halls at all times while in the performance of their assigned duties.

WAC 504-24-030 Undergraduate housing requirement. (1) University-recognized housing includes residence halls, fraternities, sororities, and co-op houses.
(2) Housing requirements for single undergraduate students. All single undergraduate freshmen under twenty years of age are required to live in organized living groups which are officially recognized by the university (residence halls, fraternities and sororities) for one academic year.
(a) Exemptions. Exemptions will be considered when a student demonstrates to the department of residence life that either:
   (i) The student has attended an institution of higher education as a regularly enrolled student for at least two regular semesters or three regular quarters (excluding summer sessions);
   (ii) The student is living with immediate family in a family situation (mother and/or father; legal guardian; aunt or uncle; or grandparent(s));
   (iii) The student has secured a statement from a physician or psychologist stating that residence in recognized student housing would detrimentally affect the student's physical health or emotional well-being; or
   (iv) The student demonstrates that living in recognized University housing would cause undue financial hardship.
(b) Process. Applications for permission to reside off campus are available from the Washington State University Department of Residence Life, Streit-Perham Office Suite, Pullman, WA 99164-1726. Applications are reviewed and a determination is made whether an exemption will be granted. Persons applying for such exemption will be informed of the decision in writing. Requests for reconsideration of the decision may be submitted to the vice-provost for student affairs. The Vice-provost or his/her designee will evaluate the appeal and approve or deny the appeal.

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WAC 504-24-035 Alcohol policies. (1) The use of alcohol by living groups is restricted as stated in WAC 504-25-050, residence hall contracts, and as stated in other annual agreements between the university and living groups.

(2) Specific living groups within the university community may choose to employ local regulations more restrictive than those imposed by the state or the university.

WAC 504-24-040 Living group discipline jurisdiction. (1) Residence halls.

(a) Residence hall contracts. Each university residence hall has a framework of rules, policies, and traditions for the effective operation of its program. A student signing a residence hall contract agrees to abide by the residence hall policies set forth in the residence hall contract.

(b) Residence hall conduct board.

(i) Residence hall conduct boards are empowered to hear cases of alleged violations of the residence hall contract and to issue sanctions when a board finds a resident or residents responsible for a violation of a residence hall contract. Residence hall conduct board hearings shall be conducted in accord with this chapter.

(ii) Student conduct code. Violations of a residence hall contract which also amount to a violation of university conduct regulations may also subject an accused student to the university conduct system, regardless of whether or not the violation is handled at the hall level.

(2) Fraternities and sororities.

(a) Governing regulations. Each of the fraternities and sororities has developed policies and regulations governing the conduct of members and the operation of the organizations. Annual agreements between the university and each fraternity and sorority also govern the behavior of members. In joining one of these groups a student assumes the responsibilities of the living group organization.

(b) Student conduct code. Violations of fraternity or sorority living group policies or regulations which also amount to a violation of university conduct regulations or violations of fraternity or sorority living group agreements with the university may also subject the accused student or students to the university conduct system, regardless of whether or not the member's fraternity or sorority organization handles the violation at a living group level.