Banned Items

In campus residence halls, certain items have regulations on how much power they can use.

Microwaves should be 700 watts or less. Refrigerators should be no bigger than 4 cubic feet and 2.5 amps or less. This is to avoid flipping breakers due to overuse. With these regulations in place, several people on the floor could microwave their popcorn at the same time and the flow of electricity won’t be disrupted.

The only pets allowed in a residence hall room are fish. The tank should be no more than 20 gallons. If it can breathe out of water, you shouldn’t have it in your room as a pet!

To prevent fire hazards, extension cords and halogen lamps are not allowed. Power strips are the preferred way to plug in your belongings because not only do they protect the safety of the residents, but they also protect your stuff from glitches with the power and storms.

Halogen lamps may seem like a good idea, but when left on the Halogen bulb can heat up rather quickly this is an extreme fire hazard. When the bulb gets too hot, certain things, like paper, curtains or other flammable items could catch fire just from touching the bulb. To keep the resident halls safe, we do not allow halogen bulbs on campus.

To further prevent the risk of fire, other items that are not allowed in your room are open burners, electric skillets, space heathers, toasters, pizza toasters, or flammable liquids such as lighter fluid or gasoline.