Policy Statement

Students residing in the residence halls are expected to know and obey the rules pertaining to windows, balconies, roofs and restricted areas.

Reason for Policy/Purpose

This policy is required for the effective communication of university policy regarding windows, balconies, roofs and restricted areas in the residence halls.

Who Needs to Know This Policy

All students of The University of Southern Mississippi community living on campus.

Website Address for this Policy

www.usm.edu/institutional-policies/policy-stua-res-044

Definitions

Policy/Procedures

Throwing any objects, including trash, from the windows or balconies is hazardous and demonstrates a lack of respect for the university community. Please put all refuse in appropriate areas and receptacles. Disciplinary action will be taken against violators of this policy.
Windows in the residence hall rooms should remain closed at all times, and screens should remain in place for the safety of our residents and to ensure proper functioning of the ventilation systems in the building.

Students are not permitted to enter or exit the building through their windows and should never be on a balcony, roof or overhang. Access to roofs is restricted to authorized personnel only. Sunbathing and other activities on the roof or porch overhangs are strictly prohibited. Violators will be subject to disciplinary action.

In all buildings, there are areas such as basements, attics, mechanical rooms, custodial areas, breaker rooms, etc. that (for safety reasons) are not accessible to students. Accessing these areas will result in disciplinary action.

Review

The Director of Student Housing Administration is responsible for the review of this policy every four years (or whenever circumstances require immediate review).

Forms/Instructions

N/A

Appendices

N/A

Related Information

N/A

History

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Authorization

WINDOWS/BALCONIES/ROOF/RESTRICTED AREAS POLICY
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As the Responsible Officer, I have reviewed this policy and believe it represents the current policy.

[Signature]
Responsible Officer

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Date

March 22, 2013