Laundry Service in Stony Brook 101

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Introduction

Stony Brook housing provides many services to serve the basic needs for campus residents. For freshmen and transfer students that live on campus for the first time, it's important to know how to utilize these resources. This instruction aims to instruct the services of laundry rooms in each residence hall. This covers the use of washing and drying machines, and explains the basics of self laundry service in Stony Brook housing.

Equipments and Supplies

Only campus residents have access to laundry rooms.

- Clothes and laundries to be washed
- Stony Brook ID card
  Notes: There must be at least $2.80 in Wolfie Wallet in Stony Brook ID account. Washing and drying machines cost $1.40 each.
- Laundry detergent - This instruction only covers the use of liquid detergent, other kinds of detergent are used differently

Procedures

Getting Started. Before washing or drying, first carry the clothes and laundries to laundry room.

1. Locate the laundry room

Each resident hall has one laundry room, usually locates in the basement. Follow wall directories or ask other residents for help.

2. Carry clothes and laundries to laundry room

Using washing machines. There are two types of washing machines, front-load and top-load. The 2 types of machines operate differently but perform the same. Choose based on preference. Steps 2, 3, and 5 are separated into sections based on machine type, all other steps operate the same for both machines.

1. Find a washing machine that is available

2. Load clothes and laundries into machine

*Warning***:** Do not overload washing machines, make sure there is extra space after loading. Use another machine for extra clothes and laundries.

Front-load washer:

    i.   Open door facing forward, make sure nothing is remained inside
    ii.   Put clothes and laundries into machine, and leave extra space
    iii.   Close door securely, make sure it cannot be opened easily

Top-load washer:

    i.   Open lid facing upward, make sure nothing is remained inside
    ii.   Put clothes and laundries into machine, and leave extra space

3. Add laundry detergent

*Warning***:** Do not overuse laundry detergent. For high efficiency liquid detergent, follow instructions on container.

Front-load washer:

    i.   Open dispenser, which locates on the right above the door
    ii.   Load washing detergent to dispenser, amount is based on recommendation on container. There are 4 sections in dispenser, the main wash detergent section is at bottom right
    iii.   Close dispenser

Top-load washer:

    i.   Pour detergent on clothes and laundries, amount is based on recommendation on container
    ii.   Close lid of machine

4. Pay for washing machine

    i.   Find paying machine in laundry room, which usually locates on side of walls
    ii.   Swipe ID card, wait for machine to process
    iii.   Enter washing machine number. This number is on a sticker on the top left corner on the front of machine
    iv.   Wait for machine to finish processing, $1.40 will be deducted from Wolfie Wallet. After processing, paid washing machine will display "Press to Start" message on machine panel

5. Start washing machine

Front-load washer:

i. Select water temperature setting on machine panel. Available selections are "NORMAL HOT", "NORMAL WARM", "NORMAL COLD", "PERM PRESS WARM", and "DELICATES COLD". "NORMAL COLD" is automatically selected
ii. Make sure door is closed and secured
iii. Press START button, washing will be finished in 30 minutes

Top-load washer:

i. Select soil setting on machine panel. Available selections are "LIGHT", "MEDIUM", "HEAVY", and "SMALL LOAD". "LIGHT" is automatically selected
ii. Select cycle setting on machine panel. Available selections are "NORMAL", "PERM PRESS", and "DELICATES". "NORMAL" is automatically selected
iii. Select water temperature setting on machine panel. Available selections are "HOT", "WARM", and "COLD". "COLD" is automatically selected
iv. Press START button, washing will be finished in 30 minutes

Warning: Do not open door or lid until washing is finished.

6. Finish washing

i. After washing is finished, open door or lid, and take out all clothes and laundries
ii. Leave door or lid open for next user

Using drying machines. Drying machines are located near washing machines.

1. Find a drying machine that is available

2. Load clothes and laundries into machine

Warning: Do not overload drying machines, make sure there is extra space after loading. Use another machine for extra clothes and laundries.

i. Open door facing forward, make sure nothing is remained inside
ii. Clean lint filter on the front inside machine
iii. Put clothes and laundries into machine, and leave extra space

Warning: Do not dry rubberized or plastic articles, this might cause fire hazard.

3. Pay for drying machine

i. Find paying machine in laundry room
ii. Swipe ID card, wait for machine to process

iii. Enter drying machine number. This number is on a sticker on the top left corner on the front of machine

iv. Wait for machine to finish processing, $1.40 will be deducted from Wolfie Wallet. After processing, paid drying machine will display "Press to Start" message on machine panel

4. Start drying machine

i. Select temperature setting on machine panel. Available selections are "HIGH TEMP", "LOW TEMP", "MED TEMP", and "DELICATES". "MED TEMP" is automatically selected

ii. Make sure door is closed and secured

iii. Press START button, drying will be finished in 64 minutes

*Notes***:** Open door before finish will pause drying, and close door again will resume drying. However, this is not recommended.

5. Finish drying

i. After drying is finished, open door and take out all clothes and laundries

ii. Clean lint filter on the front inside machine

iii. Leave door open for next user

iv. Fold and store clean clothes and laundries