UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI - STUDENT HOUSING

Main Category: POLICIES

Sub Category: Vacant Room and Bedspace Inspections

Purpose: This policy defines the procedure for the inspection of university supplied shared/common use items for residence hall rooms and apartments with vacant bed spaces.

Scope: This policy applies to all university owned student residential communities where a vacant room or bedspace exists.

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POLICY

In the event a vacant bed space in a residence hall or an apartment exists, housing reserves the right to have staff inspect common or shared use items provided by the university in addition to standard inspections. Shared use items include but are not limited to:

- University provided mini-refrigerators or mini-refrigerator/microwave units
- University provided appliances in apartment areas
- Any and all cabinetry provided by the university in residence hall rooms and apartment areas.

The purpose of this inspection is to ensure the health, safety, and cleanliness of any common and shared use items provided by the university and may be conducted as necessary in preparation of:

- Room changes
- Arrival of new students
- Routine room inspections.

PROCEDURE

- The Department of Student Housing will provide a minimum notice of 72 hours to residents of the rooms in which university common or shared use item(s) will be inspected.
- Inspections will be conducted by a minimum of two housing staff members.
- Inspections will occur between the hours of 9AM and 9PM.
- Residents will be given 48 hours to address any health, safety, or cleanliness concerns with common or shared use items in their rooms. Failure to address issues will result in the resident's adjudication through the student conduct system.