

University of California, Santa Cruz
Policies related to Alcohol and Other Drugs
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Housing Policies (UCSC Housing Terms & Conditions, 2020-2021)

<https://housing.ucsc.edu/pdf/2020-21-tc-undergrad.pdf>

V. General Provisions and Policies

In addition to the Code of Student Conduct, the following are community expectations for university housing residents and visitors/guests. Residential areas for the purpose of this contract extend one hundred (100) feet from all residential buildings.

A. Alcohol and Other Drugs:

1. Alcohol may not be consumed in common areas of University Housing, such as hallways, lounges, bathrooms and outdoors, regardless of age.
2. Open containers of alcohol such as cups containing alcohol, opened cans or bottles of alcohol may not be possessed in public regardless of age. Students over 21 years old may only transport alcohol in sealed containers through public areas.
3. Kegs and other “common source” containers holding alcoholic beverages are not allowed in University Housing.
4. Alcohol containers may not be displayed in windows where containers will be visible to the public.
5. Medical cannabis cards do not provide an exception to the University prohibition of using and/or possessing cannabis on University property. Using and/or possessing recreational cannabis is also prohibited on University property. Residents are encouraged to contact college staff with questions relating to medicinal or recreational cannabis.
6. Vape pens, hookah pens and similar devices are not allowed in University housing.

L. Policies, Rules, and Regulations:

1. Students are responsible for being aware of and in compliance with all University policies, rules, and regulations, which apply to their residential life, including dining hall policies. Per section 102.07 of the student code of conduct, any violation of these policies may result in conduct action.

2. Regulations of the University and the college or housing facility to which Student is assigned are incorporated into this contract by reference.

3. Students present during observable policy violations who do not attempt to separate themselves from the policy violation(s), address the violation, or report the violation may be held in violation of housing policy.

4. Actions related to hate/bias directed toward an individual or personal or public property, as defined in University policies, rules, and regulations, are prohibited.

5. Student's conduct while in residence may result in termination of contract, financial liability for the term, and affect future eligibility for any UC Santa Cruz residence.

M. Prohibited Activities: Student may not engage in any of the following activities:

1. Use of Drones: Use of aerial devices (such as drones) is prohibited within 600 feet of residential buildings.

2. Aerial Objects: Throwing/dropping or kicking anything that could cause injury or damage from or towards buildings, windows, balconies or in building interiors, patio areas, public quads, or public walkways is prohibited.

3. Use of amplified instruments or drum sets.

4. Use of skateboards, rollerblades, scooters and other personal skate devices.

5. Health and Safety: Student shall not engage in any behavior or activity which endangers the health, safety, or well-being of any person.

6. Tampering with fire equipment: Tampering with (attempting to disable, dismantle, shut off, reset, or remove) any safety equipment, including smoke detectors, fire hoses, extinguishers, sprinkler system equipment, and/or alarm pull stations, is strictly prohibited. This includes covering a smoke detector. Touching or hanging anything from a sprinkler pipe or sprinkler head is prohibited.

N. Prohibited Items: In addition to items prohibited on all University property under the Code of Student Conduct, the following items are prohibited in University housing and residential areas:

1. Firearms, ammunition for firearms, and other weapons.

2. Knives or other sharp objects longer than 2.5 inches not designed for cooking. This includes swords and other weapons.

3. Fire hazardous items such as, but not limited to: candles, lanterns, incense or incense-like materials, hookahs, smoking devices, halogen lamps, lava lamps, BBQ grills, charcoal, lighter fluid, propane, butane, gasoline, torches and thermal heating packs.
4. Cooking equipment with exposed heating elements (e.g. hot plates, toasters, toaster ovens, etc.) in residence rooms or other areas not intended for cooking.
5. Possession, charging, or storage of self-balancing, battery-powered boards known as hoverboards, sometimes referred to as electronic skateboards or scooters, and other similar equipment.
6. Air conditioning units (window/portable) and space heaters.

Student Policies and Regulations Handbook (e.g. Student Handbook)

<https://deanofstudents.ucsc.edu/student-conduct/student-handbook/100.003.pdf>

102.17 Unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, use, transport, transfer, or sale of, or the attempted manufacture, distribution, dispensing, or sale of controlled substances, identified in federal or state laws or regulations which includes, but is not limited to:

- a. All Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) classified narcotics under schedules 1 through 5, such as: opium or cocaine and their derivatives (morphine, heroin, codeine); marijuana (medicinal marijuana is not allowed, nor is it a defense in response to enforcement of a violated University policy); synthetic narcotics (Demerol, methadone); and dangerous non-narcotic drugs (barbiturates, Benzedrine); or all illegally obtained prescription drugs. For the purpose of this policy, this includes being under the influence of any of the aforementioned substances.
- b. Drug Paraphernalia: Delivering, furnishing, transferring, manufacturing, or possessing drug paraphernalia is prohibited. Drug paraphernalia is defined as all equipment, material and products intended for use or designed for use in growing, processing, harvesting, storing, concealing, injecting, ingesting, inhaling, or otherwise introducing a prohibited or an illegal controlled substance into the human body. Examples of drug paraphernalia include, but are not limited to: pipes, water pipes, bongs, vaporizing devices and hookahs.

102.18 Manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, use, transport, transfer, or sale of, or the attempted manufacture, distribution, dispensing, or sale of alcohol that is unlawful or otherwise prohibited by, or not in compliance with, University policy or campus regulations.

a. The illegal purchase of alcohol regardless of age, possession or use of alcohol by persons under 21 years of age, and other violations of federal or State law mentioned above.

b. Being drunk and disorderly, illegally intoxicated regardless of age, or driving under the influence.