Oklahoma State University Policy and Procedures

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**POLICY**

1.01 To best ensure fire safety of residents and other clientele of Oklahoma State University, sprinklers have been installed in various buildings, including residence halls. To support the proper care of this life safety equipment, vandalism, tampering, or reckless action that causes sprinklers to discharge will result in serious penalties. Such behavior will be treated the same as reporting a false fire alarm.

**PROCEDURES**

2.01 The following regulations shall apply to the use of all sprinkler systems in campus residence halls and other buildings:

   a. Sprinklers are to be activated automatically only in case of fire-related emergencies.

   b. Under no circumstances may sprinklers be painted or in any way obstructed. Objects may not be hung or draped from sprinkler apparatus.

   c. Sprinklers activated during an emergency are to be turned off only by authorized fire safety personnel. In the event of a false alarm, residence hall staff members are to shut off the water at specific head locations (by use of sprinkler tongs).

   d. No one may commit acts which endanger the proper functioning of sprinkler systems. Violations of this regulation may result in both judicial and administrative disciplinary actions.

2.02 The penalties for reckless action contributing to sprinkler discharge, vandalism, and destruction are as follows:

   a. University administrative penalties include:

      1) Paying for any and all damages caused by violation.
(2) Disciplinary sanctions, which may include probation, suspension, or expulsion.

b. In the event a perpetrator is a conferee or guest, the above measures (excluding a2) will be taken and the individual(s) may be expelled from the conference or required to leave the campus and be subject to arrest should such person return.

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