

FIRE PREVENTION TIPS



Space Heaters – are not allowed in any building without specific permission of Facilities Management. A service request should be submitted to Facilities Management Service Response for heating issues prior to any request for a heater. Facilities Management will determine if additional heating is needed and the type allowed. Heaters must not have an exposed element and shall have an automatic shut off on tip over feature.



Halogen Lamps - By fire safety regulation, all halogen lamps, including torchiere floor lamps are prohibited in residence halls. The biggest safety concern is the open top design and the intense heat generated by the halogen bulb. These lamps have been the cause of a number of fires.



Candles and Incense - are prohibited in all of Brown University buildings, including residence halls. There are very few exceptions for religious services provided that they are reviewed and permitted by the Fire Safety Office.



Electric Scooters and Bikes- Electric scooters and bikes are not allowed in corridors or stairwells. They should never be charged in a residential bedroom and should be stored outside the building.



Unattended Cooking – is the number reason for false alarms on campus. Never leave cooking food or warming of food on stoves or in microwaves unattended.



Smoking – of anything, is banned inside of all University buildings. Smoking must be at least 35 feet from entrances per state law.



Plug extensions, tap devices and extension cords – are strictly prohibited in all residence halls, as well as all other University buildings. Only listed plug strips with surge protection are allowed. Any device cord that does not reach a building outlet must be plugged into a UL listed power strip.

