

**Chapter 504-24 WAC**  
**POLICIES AND REGULATIONS FOR STUDENT LIVING GROUPS**

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504-24-010 Disciplinary structure and procedures. [Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.30.125 and 28B.30.150. WSR 80-07-015 (Order 80-2, Resolution No. 6/80-15), § 504-24-010, filed 6/11/80; Order 77-2, § 504-24-010, filed 8/3/77; Order 75-1, § 504-24-010, filed 7/7/75, effective 9/1/75; Order 73-6, § 504-24-010, filed 8/1/73; Order 4, § 504-24-010, filed 10/20/71; Order 3, § 504-24-010, filed 8/5/71.] Repealed by WSR 89-11-065 (Order 89-1, Resolution No. 3-31-89-16), filed 5/18/89, effective 7/1/89. Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.30.095, 28B.30.125 and 28B.30.150.

504-24-011 Formal hearing option—Designation of hearing officer or panel. [Order 77-2, § 504-24-011, filed 8/3/77; Order 4, § 504-24-011, filed 10/20/71.] Repealed by WSR 89-11-065 (Order 89-1, Resolution No. 3-31-89-16), filed 5/18/89, effective 7/1/89. Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.30.095, 28B.30.125 and 28B.30.150.

504-24-015 Agreed resolutions in student discipline cases. [Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.30.095, 28B.30.125, 28B.30.150 and chapter 28B.19 RCW. WSR 87-12-013 (Order 87-1), § 504-24-015, filed 5/26/87.] Repealed by WSR 95-07-044, filed 3/8/95, effective 4/8/95. Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.30.095, 28B.30.125 and 28B.30.150.

**WAC 504-24-020 Social policies and procedures.** (1) Security hours.

(a) Living groups are secured during the following hours: 11:00 p.m. - 6:30 a.m. daily.

(b) It is understood that a living group has the prerogative of maintaining additional security hours if decided by a vote of the living group. The living group's current security hours should be on file in the department of residence living.

(2) Guest rules.

(a) Guests must comply with the regulations of the living groups they are visiting.

(b) Keys or card keys will not be issued to guests.

(c) The host or hostess shall be responsible for the action(s) of guests.

(d) All guests must be escorted while in the building.

(e) Except for those persons authorized access by WAC 504-24-025, guests are defined as anyone not residing in the residence hall.

(3) Visitation.

Each living group is permitted to develop its own visitation schedule for its main lounge and lobbies. No visitation on living floors is permitted between hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:30 a.m.

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**WAC 504-24-025 University staff access to residence halls.** University administrators or designees, officers, agents, or employees whose duties include working with residence hall residents or programs, performing custodial, maintenance, or operations of residence halls, or performing safety, emergency, security, police, or fire protection services shall have access to residence halls at all times while in the performance of their assigned duties.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.30.150. WSR 06-23-158, § 504-24-025, filed 11/22/06, effective 12/23/06.]

**WAC 504-24-030 Undergraduate housing requirement.** Housing requirements for single undergraduate students on residential campuses. To the extent that room is presently available, as determined by the university, all single undergraduate students under 20 years of age are required to live in a residence hall for the equivalent of one academic year.

(1) Exemptions. Exemptions are considered when a student demonstrates to the campus vice chancellor for student affairs or designee that:

(a) The student has attended an institution of higher education as a regularly enrolled student for at least two full-time semesters or three full-time quarters (excluding summer sessions) following high school graduation or equivalent;

(b) The student is living with immediate family in a family situation (i.e., parent(s); legal guardian(s); aunt or uncle; or grandparent(s)) within 40 miles of their respective campus;

(c) The student has secured a statement from a physician or psychologist stating that living in a residence hall would detrimentally affect the student's physical or mental health; or

(d) The student demonstrates that living in a residence hall would cause undue financial hardship or other extraordinary hardship.

(2) Process. Applications for permission to reside off campus are available from Washington State University. Applications are reviewed and a determination is made whether an exemption is granted. Persons applying for such exemption are informed of the decision in writing. Requests for reconsideration of the decision may be submitted to their respective campus vice chancellor for student affairs or designee. The vice chancellor or designee evaluates the appeal and approves or denies the appeal.

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**WAC 504-24-035 Alcohol policies.** (1) The use of alcohol by living groups is restricted as stated in WAC 504-25-050, residence hall contracts, and as stated in other annual agreements between the university and living groups.

(2) Specific living groups within the university community may choose to employ local regulations more restrictive than those imposed by the state or the university.

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**WAC 504-24-040 Living group discipline jurisdiction.** (1) Residence halls.

(a) Residence hall contracts. Each university residence hall has a framework of rules, policies, and traditions for the effective operation of its program. A student signing a residence hall contract agrees to abide by the residence hall policies set forth in the residence hall contract.

(b) Residence hall conduct board.

(i) Residence hall conduct boards are empowered to hear cases of alleged violations of the residence hall contract and to issue sanctions when a board finds a resident or residents responsible for a violation of a residence hall contract. Residence hall conduct board hearings shall be conducted in accord with this chapter.

(ii) Student conduct code. Violations of a residence hall contract which also amount to a violation of university conduct regulations may also subject an accused student to the university conduct system, regardless of whether or not the violation is handled at the hall level.

(2) Fraternities and sororities.

(a) Governing regulations. Each of the fraternities and sororities has developed policies and regulations governing the conduct of members and the operation of the organizations. Annual agreements between the university and each fraternity and sorority also govern the behavior of members. In joining one of these groups a student assumes the responsibilities of the living group organization.

(b) Student conduct code. Violations of fraternity or sorority living group policies or regulations which also amount to a violation of the university conduct regulations or violations of fraternity or sorority living group agreements with the university may also subject the accused student or students to the university conduct system, regardless of whether or not the member's fraternity or sorority organization handles the violation at a living group level.

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