

Fire Safe College Housing



What you need to look for.

Here are some good questions for college students and parents to ask before moving into a dormitory or signing an apartment lease.

- ✔ Are there working smoke alarms in each bedroom, outside of sleeping areas, and on each level of the building?
- ✔ Are there at least two ways out of each room and the building?
- ✔ Do the upper levels of the building have at least two sets of stairs inside and/or a fire escape?
- ✔ Are there exit signs in the hallways to show the way out?
- ✔ Are there enough electrical outlets for all appliances, computers, printers and electronics — without using an extension cord?
- ✔ Has the building's heating system been inspected recently (in the last year)?
- ✔ Does the building have a sprinkler system?
- ✔ Does the building have a fire alarm system?
- ✔ Does the sprinkler or fire alarm system send a signal to the local fire department and/or campus security?
- ✔ Is the building address clearly posted so emergency services can find it quickly if they need to?



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