

UNDERGRADUATE RESIDENTIAL LIFE COMMUNITY STANDARDS

2023-24 Summary of Revisions

INTRODUCTION

The UC San Diego Undergraduate Residential Life Community Standards sets forth residential-area specific standards and is incorporated into the Standards of Conduct within the UC San Diego Student Conduct Procedures. Violation(s) of the Community Standards may become the basis for a referral to the student conduct process.

In Spring and Summer 2024, the Residential Life Community Standards Work Group was charged to review, discuss, and provide feedback about potential revisions to the Community Standards. The Work Group, co-chaired by Megan Fox and Ben White, included representatives from the Council of Directors of Residence Life (CDRL), Graduate and Family Housing (GFH), Housing Dining Hospitality (HDH), the Council of Deans of Student Affairs (CDSA), Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA), and the Center for Student Accountability, Growth, and Education (SAGE).

In Summer 2024, Rebecca Otten and Willie Lee II., launched and reviewed the Graduate Residential Life Community Standards with the Graduate Family Housing Advisory Committee. As part of this review, it was determined to create a graduate housing specific version of the document. The Graduate & Family Residential Life Community Standards indicates area-specific provisions in graduate owned and operated housing.

The Housing, Dining, and Hospitality team have transitioned and united with several campus departments. Their new name, Residential, Retail, and Supply Chain Services (RRSS) is reflected in this document.

The updates described in this summary reflect an initial review of the document by the workgroup co-chairs, discussion and feedback from Work Group members and constituent groups, and consultations with campus subject matter experts, including Risk Management and RRSS Facilities and Building Services.

Please note that revisions of titles, gender pronouns, section references, section or sentence re-ordering, and language improvements are not summarized in this document.

PROPOSED REVISIONS

- **Community Standards**
 - We clarified that the standard in this document applies to undergraduate residential areas only.

- **Section 1 – Alcoholic Beverages**
 - To provide greater clarity for Student Conduct Officers and students when addressing incidents involving alcohol violations, we added language that the possession or consumption of Alcoholic Beverages that is detected from outside of

one's room, suite, or apartment will result in further inquiry.

- We removed community spaces that Graduate and Family Housing may own or operate.
- Alcoholic Beverage Delivery
 - We clarified that the delivery of Alcoholic Beverages from any source is prohibited in undergraduate housing.
- Bulk Alcoholic Beverages & Alcoholic Beverage Paraphernalia
 - We simplified and combined these sections to clarify that possession or use of devices intended for rapid consumption of Alcoholic Beverage is prohibited in undergraduate residential areas.
- Gatherings
 - We simplified this standard to reflect gatherings in strictly undergraduate residential spaces. Attendees of any gathering must show proof of age upon request.
- Public Intoxication
 - We added language for public displays of intoxication, consistent with San Diego Municipal Code Section 56.24.
- Under twenty-one (21)
 - We added language that residents who are under twenty-one may be present when their roommate, who is twenty-one or over, is consuming Alcoholic Beverages.
- **Section 4 – Businesses**
 - We removed the Child Welfare/Care of Minors section as residents with dependents reside in Graduate and Family Housing.
- **Section 6 – Fire Safety**
 - We simplified the language in this section for readability. We also clarified the guidelines for extension cords and power strips.
- **Section 7 – Guest and Additional Occupants**
 - We updated this section with applicable guidelines for Guests. Residents must accompany their Guests in RRSS community and Guests may not sleep in any community room or public space.
- **Section 10 – Micromobility Devices**
 - We added language that is consistent with the UC San Diego Micromobility Device Policy (PPM 270-11) and applicable requirements for micromobility devices in campus residential areas.

- **Section 11 – Motorized Vehicles**
 - We added language for motorized vehicles to address challenges with motor scooters incidents and cases. The language also provides clarity for Student Conduct Officers and students when addressing parking rules and regulations.

- **Section 12 – Noise**
 - We removed language for quiet hours in Graduate and Family Housing owned and operated spaces.

 - We also included a definition of unreasonable noise to clarify the scope of the section.

- **Section 13 – Posting / Distribution / Solicitation**
 - We clarified this section for consistency with the UC San Diego Expressive Activity Time, Place, and Manner Policy (PPM 510-1 IX) and residential area specific posting guidelines.

- **Section 14 – Residential Facilities**
 - We modified this section with respect to the Graduate Residential Life Community Standards.

 - We clarified Damage/Theft and referred to PACAOS 102.04 for consistency. Residents are responsible for damages caused by themselves or their Guests.

 - For risk management, we clarified the standards regarding the tampering of door closures, exceeding maximum occupancy of elevators, and moving University furnishings from their appropriate location.

 - We added language for Improper Disposal and included guidelines. Residents may be financially responsible for work performed by the University to repair clogs or other damage caused by improper disposal of items.

 - We added language regarding public areas. Any residential space, excluding residential hall bedrooms and interiors of apartments, must be kept free of obstructions and may be closed at any time by the office responsible for the space.

 - We simplified the language on security. Installing non-RRSS issued locks is prohibited.

 - We combined the Unauthorized Entry and Unauthorized Use of Public Areas sections into a single section as the standards are reflected in other parts of the policy. We added the provision that organized or publicized group activities must comply with the Major Events Policy (PPM 510-1 5a) and receive prior approval from the office responsible for the space.

- We removed the graduate housing area-specific provisions for pets and animals. Pets, animals, pets of visitors and pet sitting are prohibited in undergraduate residential spaces.