f. Prohibited Items and Actions

When it comes to fire safety, certain items and actions can compromise the safety of all within our community. Therefore, such items and actions are prohibited. If uncertain about a particular item or action, you are encouraged to bring such item(s) to or discuss plans that may compromise fire safety with your Resident Director who may refer you to Dennis Harrington, the College Fire Marshal. He can be contacted at dharring@ramapo.edu.

Prohibited Items List

1. **Aerosol Products**
   a. Aerosol Products used in excess may activate the fire alarm system
   b. Aerosol Products are Prohibited Pine and Linden Halls **

2. **Ammunitions**

3. **Animals**
   a. Other than Pet Fish in fish tanks not exceeding 10 gallons**
   b. Other than approved & documented Service Pets

4. **Appliances**
   a. Grills *
   b. Personal Barbecues
   c. Hot Plates * (Including candle and mug warmers)
   d. Microwaves in addition to the College provided Microwaves. Additional microwaves are permitted in College Park Apartments (CPA) only. **
   e. Open Coil Types *
   f. Refrigerators in addition to the College provided Refrigerators or Micro Fridges. **
   g. Rice Cookers *
   h. Skillets *
   i. Space heaters unless provided by Facilities Office in emergency situations
   j. Toasters and Toaster Ovens *
   k. Window Air-Conditioning units not approved by the College
   l. Appliances with exposed heating elements (examples: toasters, toaster ovens, coffee makers with hot plates) A general test of this rule is: if the element(s) that produce the heat to warm the product are exposed and are hot to the touch, the appliance is prohibited. For example: A Mr. Coffee where the pot rests is an exposed heating element.
      i. exceptions: Irons, Curling Irons
   m. Induction Plates
   n. Baby Cakes Cup Cake Makers

5. **Candles**
Candles manufactured to produce flames are prohibited in residence facilities and apartments. However, flameless battery operated imitation candles are permitted.

6. **Decorations**
   - Hanging anything on or from a fire sprinkler heads, fire sprinkler pipes, or smoke detectors
   - Hanging of anything from the ceiling

7. **Egress**
   a. Failure to maintain a minimum 36” clearance in the path of egress
   b. Obstructing and/or locking exit doors
   c. Propping open fire and smoke doors with wedges and other objects

8. **Explosives** Of any kind including Fireworks

9. **Extension Cords and Multiple Plug Adapters**
   a. Belkin model#F9H601aCW

   ![Example of prohibited cube/multiple plug adapters](image)

   Extension cords and any devices that overload electrical receptacles (more than three appliances per outlet or multiple plug/cube adapters). You need to use power strips with circuit breakers that automatically shut off when overloaded. Please see the picture below for an example of prohibited cube/multiple plug adapters. This is just an example and is not an exhaustive list of all the different cube/multiple plug adapters.

   *Please be aware that power strips may not be “piggy-backed” or used as one plugged into another.*

10. **Fire Alarms**
    a. Deliberately causing false fire alarms
    b. Failure to evacuate during a Fire Drill

11. **Fire Equipment**
    a. Breaking a sprinkler head
    b. Covering or disabling smoke detectors or any other fire devices
    c. Removing smoke detectors or covers
    d. Tampering with or damaging fire exit lights and/or pull stations
    e. Tampering with, or damaging fire extinguisher(s) or sprinkler control valves
12. **Flames and Open Flame Devices** except in labs and other permitted areas or as otherwise approved in the Hot Work Policy.

13. **Flammable Liquids**
   a. All flammable liquids including gasoline, thinners, chemicals, unless stored in an approved non-flammable cabinet only in permitted areas. Flammable liquids are prohibited in On Campus student housing facilities!
   b. Items powered by Flammable Liquids or other fossil fuels; items such as mopeds, motorcycles, golf carts or similar vehicles

Also see Sterno Fuel Use Policy

14. **Fog Machines** Any products including dry ice that produce mist, fog, smoke or simulated smoke conditions.

15. **Furniture**
   a. Furniture that meets California Tech. Bulletin 133 is acceptable if approved by the College.
   b. Upholstered furniture, padded, cushioned or beanbag chairs not certified by documentation from the manufacturer as flame retardant.
   c. Waterbeds **

16. **Hookahs** - See Smoking
    The presence and/or use of Hookahs in any on campus student housing facilities.

17. **Immersion Coils**

18. **Incendiary Devices**
   a. Fireworks See Fireworks
   b. Sparklers

19. **Incense**
   a. Paraphernalia and similar items.
   b. Potpourri burners

20. **Lighting**
   a. Dimmers, Ceiling Fans, or any other devices that replace, add to, or interfere with any building fixture.
   b. Halogen Lamps and Sun Lamps You may have lighting that operates on incandescent light bulbs or fluorescent light bulbs.
   c. Holiday Lights and/or String Lights, including LED Lights. Battery Operated Lights are permitted.
   d. Oil Lamps

21. **Recalled products**
   a. Two models of the 5-Light Multicolored Floor Lamps, model numbers E230863 and GX6409 are prohibited.
   b. Trinsoinc 15-, 20-, 22-, and 25-watt compact fluorescent light bulbs with the model numbers TS-EN 15W/SP, TS-EN 20W/SP, TS-CFL 22WB or TS-EN 25W/SP printed on the base of the bulb.

22. **Mischief**
a. Physical activities such as hockey, ball throwing/bouncing, skateboarding, frisbee, etc. that take place near fire suppression and alarm systems

23. Parking
   a. Blocking Fire Department Connections
   b. In any Designated Fire Zones
   c. Within 10 feet of a Fire Hydrant

24. Smoking see Hookahs
   a. indoors, outdoors, on roofs, patios, balconies within 25 feet of any building
   b. including the presence and/or use of Hookahs in any on campus student housing facilities

25. Sterno
   Used for other than warming foods and in areas that are not protected by a fire sprinkler system. Prohibited in Residence Halls and apartments: unless otherwise stated in the Sterno Fuel Use Policy.

26. Swimming Pools and Hot Tubs
   Inside or outside of residence halls **

27. Vegetation
   All live trees, wreaths, etc.

28. Weapons
   a. Knives, Rifles, Handguns, Paintball Guns
   b. Weapons of any kind even though they are presumed to be solely decorative or collectible.
   c. Weapons that are props used for stage productions in the Campus Theaters are permitted in those theaters but not in other areas of the Campus.

29. Decorative Materials
   a. Hang banners or other decorative materials that are not flame resistant (do not meet the flame propagation performance criteria of NFPA 701).
   b. Decorative materials that are flame resistant have to be documented and certified by the manufacturer in an approved manner; and are limited to 10% of the aggregate area of walls and ceilings.
   c. Decorative materials/wall coverings (photos, most posters, certificates, proclamations, etc.) that are 0.025 inch or less in thickness are permitted. However, they should not completely cover the walls or ceilings or be located close to any heat source. This practice will decrease the chance of a large fire caused by a covered wall and the coverings coming into contact with any heat source such as lights, receptacles, and any other heat source.

30. Legrand Wiremold Power Strips
* Unless in areas with approved and fire protected kitchens

**Indicates items that are exclusive to residence in Residence Halls and Apartments; including those occupied by employees of the College residing in Residence Halls. All other items are prohibited throughout the Campus for students and employees, including their guests, vendors and contractors unless noted otherwise.

2. CONFISCATION POLICY

In the course of conducting unannounced Health and Safety Inspections, responding to Incidents by Public Safety and/ or Fire Safety Inspections, Residence Life professional staff members, Public Safety Officers, the College Fire Marshal or the State Fire Inspector can confiscate any prohibited items found. Confiscated items that are illegal are subject to the laws applicable to the illegal item.

Ramapo College in cooperation with local, state and federal fire safety officials, reserves the right to amend this listing at any time.

STUDENTS SHOULD REVIEW THE LIST AND USE GOOD JUDGMENT ABOUT THE KINDS OF THINGS THAT ARE PROHIBITED IN THE RESIDENCE HALLS.

The College reserves the right to change anything contained within the prohibited items list. Notice of changes will be provided to residents in their campus mailboxes or via official Ramapo College e-mail. A room, suite, or apartment may be subject to inspection with or without notice at any time.