## 2008 Roger Williams University Fire Safety Report

The Higher Education Act requires annual fire safety reports on student housing which must include campus fire safety practices and institution standards. Roger Williams University reports the following required on-campus student housing data / statistics for the calendar year 2007:

Number of fires:	1*	
Number of injuries related to a fire that result in treatment at a medical facility:	0	
Number of deaths related to a fire:		
Value of property damage caused by a fire:		
* Fire occurred in Nike Hall and was caused by a faulty portable radio		

Roger Williams University on-campus housing facilities and fire safety systems for the calendar year 2007:

Almeida Apartment Complex	5 Buildings	Supervised/Addressable Fire Alarm System; No Sprinkler System
Baypoint Residence Hall	1 Building	Supervised/Addressable Fire Alarm System; Wet Sprinkler System
Bayside Apartment Complex	3 Buildings	Supervised/Addressable Fire Alarm System; Wet Sprinkler System
Cedar Hall	1 Building	Supervised/Addressable Fire Alarm System; Wet Sprinkler System
King Philip	2 Buildings	Supervised/Addressable Fire Alarm System; Wet Sprinkler System
Maple Hall	1 Building	Supervised/Addressable Fire Alarm System; Wet Sprinkler System
Nike Hall	1 Building	Supervised/Addressable Fire Alarm System; No Sprinkler System
Stonewall Terrace Halls	4 Buildings	Supervised/Addressable Fire Alarm System; Wet Sprinkler System
Willow Residence Halls	7 Buildings	Supervised/Addressable Fire Alarm System; Wet Sprinkler System

Number of regular mandatory supervised fire drills: 4 drills sets per year (1 set per quarter)

## Roger Williams University Fire Safety Related Policies

#### Portable Electric Heaters

Electrical appliances such as space heaters, air conditioners, electric blankets, and immersion heater coils which are extreme fire hazards or appliances that are not suitable for a residence hall environment are prohibited. Microwaves, toaster ovens, hot plates, fry pans, indoor grills, and other cooling appliances are only allowed in the private kitchen areas at the Roger Williams University Almeida Apartment Complex and the Bayside Apartment Complex. The University reserves the right to confiscate and dispose of any appliance deemed hazardous. It is the student's responsibility to check with the Department of Residence Life and Housing whether or not appliances other than those listed above are allowed.

# **Smoking**

Smoking is prohibited in all residence halls including apartments. All residence hall rooms, including apartments, are smoke-free. Smoking is only permitted in designated gazebos located near the residence halls. (A map of these locations can be found in the student handbook). Hookahs and other smoking devices are not permitted in any residence hall including apartments. Students who are found smoking in the residence halls may be assessed a fine or otherwise addressed through the University Conduct Process.

### Open Flames / Candles

Open flames, incense, candles, or oil lamps are prohibited at all times. Possession of these items may result in a \$50 - \$100 fine and additional conduct action.

#### Evacuation

Failure to evacuate during a fire alarm or a fire alarm drill may result in disciplinary action.

# Fire Safety Education and Training

The Roger Williams University Department of Environmental Health and Safety conducts both mandatory and voluntary fire safety training. Mandatory training events include quarterly supervised residence hall fire drills, staff fire extinguisher training, and general fire safety training for the following University groups: Resident Assistant (RAs), Coordinator of Residence and Education (CORES), Peer Educators with Expertise in Referrals (PEERs), Health and Wellness Education (HAWEs), and the Community Assistance for Residence Education staff (TEAM CARE).

# **Future Improvements**

Maple Hall point identification upgrade for fire alarm system reportin at RWU Public Safety Dispatch.