**Fire Safety**

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**Introduction**

Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S) oversees fire safety and prevention programs at ISU, which include identification of fire hazards, enforcing fire prevention rules, fire emergency planning, and fire/incident investigations.

**Policy Statement**

Prevention of fires in the workplace is the responsibility of all workers, students and visitors to Iowa State facilities. All employees must be familiar with and understand:

- The Fire Safety Guidelines manual
- Fire hazards of the materials and processes to which they are exposed
- Potential ignition sources and their control procedures

Departmental supervisors should review with employees the information covered in the Fire Safety Guidelines manual and cover any departmental procedures that may vary.

Periodically, inspectors from the State Fire Marshal’s Office conduct fire safety audits of campus and residential buildings for compliance with state building codes. EH&S coordinates the correction of cited deficiencies and performs follow-up inspections. ISU employees are required to cooperate with Fire Marshal inspections and comply with fire safety and building code requirements.

All fires and fire hazards must be reported to EH&S.

**Department of Residence Fire Safety:** It is the policy of the university to be in compliance with the Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA) Fire Safety Regulations for all on-campus student housing facilities. ISU’s Department of Environmental Health and Safety and the Department of Residence have established fire safety procedures consistent with HEOA regulations. All university personnel, students and visitors must follow university fire safety procedures; including those established by the Department of Residence (see Resources below).

**Resources**

**Links**

- Fireworks, Pyrotechnics and Flame Effects Policy
- Candles, Open Flames Policy
- Environmental Health and Safety Fire Safety Guidelines [PDF]
- Fire Extinguishers Policy
- Environmental Health and Safety Fire Safety Program
- Department of Residence Fire Safety
- Safety and You Annual Report