



2010 Fire Safety Report

(Contains statistics for 2009)

Introduction

The Higher Education Opportunity Act requires all institutions of higher education that maintain on-campus housing to publish an annual Fire Safety Report. This report contains the information required by the HEOA for Claremont McKenna College including, CMC's fire safety practices and a fire log with statistics regarding on-campus fires. The annual Fire Safety Report is available by October 1 to all students, prospective students, faculty, and staff. The report is posted on the CMC website at: <http://www.claremontmckenna.edu/emergency/> and an email notice of its availability is sent to all current students and employees each fall.

On-Campus Housing Fire Safety Information/Policies (as printed in *The Guide to Student Life*)

Fire Emergency Procedures

- If you see fire or smell smoke, activate the closest fire alarm.
- Evacuate to your designated evacuation area (see evacuation map) and report to your Building Coordinator/RA/Professor.
- Report the location of the fire to Campus Safety at (909) 607-2000 or ext. 72000.
- All persons within a building are required to evacuate when an alarm has sounded. Persons who do not evacuate present a danger to themselves and a liability to the college and will be referred to the college judiciary board.

Fire Alarm Systems

The purpose of our fire alarm system is to signal the need for the evacuation of a building and to notify Campus Safety automatically.

False alarms and tampering with fire safety equipment is unlawful. The penal code provides that any person who sets off a false alarm is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine and/or imprisonment.

To preserve the integrity of the fire extinguishers placed in each building, residents, on the basis of the smallest identifiable group, will be charged a \$100 fine plus the cost of recharging the extinguishers.

Fire Safety Equipment

Students who tamper with fire-fighting or safety equipment (including fire extinguishers and smoke detectors) are subject to a fine of \$200, expenses for necessary repairs of equipment, and/or judicial action.

Fire Sprinkler Systems

Fire sprinklers have been installed in all residential buildings.

The addition of these sprinklers brings additional responsibilities to the student. Students must refrain from hanging anything from the sprinkler heads. This includes, but is not limited to, banners, flags, clothes, and hammocks. If the sprinklers are tampered with, this may activate them and the room will flood.

Tampering with the fire sprinklers is a fire code violation. Any and all damages associated with the sprinkler heads will result in vandalism charges to the student including the replacement of sprinkler heads, any water damage due to flooding, and the fire department response. Keep in mind that flooding may not be limited to your room and you could be responsible for damages to numerous rooms.

Your assistance in maintaining the fire sprinkler system is appreciated.

Halogen Light Policy

Due to documented fire dangers of halogen lighting, CMC prohibits the use of halogen lamps. Desk, table, or floor lamps that contain a halogen light bulb are not permitted on the CMC campus. The Building Attendants have been directed to report to Facilities and Campus Services any use of these lamps.

Open Flames

Due to the danger presented by open flames, candles or any other flame may not be used on the CMC campus unless they are used as part of a campus event and approved by the Director of Student Activities.

Barbecue areas are provided near certain residence halls. No grills of any kind (gas, electric, charcoal, etc.) may be used outside of these designated areas. Any grills brought to campus must be stored in the designated barbecue area, and may not be stored in hallways, on balconies, or in a residence hall room.

Explosives

The State law, as well as Claremont McKenna College policy, prohibits bringing firecrackers or explosive materials of any kind onto any part of the campus or into the buildings. This includes combustibles in containers such as gasoline cans. Furthermore, gasoline-powered scooters and motorcycles cannot be stored in individual rooms or elsewhere in residence halls at any time. Vehicles found to be stored in unauthorized areas will be towed and stored at the owner's expense.

Fire Safety Education

The Resident Assistants receive fire prevention and response training each semester. The training consists of a classroom instruction followed by hands on application of fire extinguishers. In addition, evacuation drills are conducted each semester to test the Resident Assistant's ability to facilitate evacuation in the event of an emergency.

On-Campus Housing Fire Safety Systems

Claremont McKenna College complies with all local, state and national fire regulations. All of CMC's residential buildings have fire alarms and have redundant suppression equipment that includes automatic sprinkler systems and manual fire extinguishers. Evacuation drills of all residential buildings are conducted each semester. Fire safety systems are routinely inspected and monitored as mandated by the County of Los Angeles. A log of these inspections is maintained by the Facilities Department.

Residence Hall Fire Safety Systems

Building Name	Year Built/Renovated	Fireproof Frame	Sq. Ft Protected	Wet/Dry	Fire Alarm
Auen	2008	Yes	24,629	Wet	Yes
Fawcett	2008	Yes	24,629	Wet	Yes
Stark	1997	Yes	32,400	Wet	Yes
Marks	1999	Yes	18,744	Wet	Yes
Benson	1997	Yes	17,928	Wet	Yes
Berger	1996	Yes	17,528	Wet	Yes
Phillips	1995	Yes	13,286	Wet	Yes
Beckett	1998	Yes	12,257	Wet	Yes
Claremont	2008	Yes	37,257	Wet	Yes
Appleby	2003	Yes	15,680	Wet	Yes
Green	2003	Yes	15,677	Wet	Yes
Wohlford	2003	Yes	16,270	Wet	Yes
Boswell	2003	Yes	15,742	Wet	Yes
Student Apartments	1996	No	41,941	Wet	Yes

Fire Log

The Facilities Department maintains a Fire log that includes the nature, date, time and general location of every fire that occurs in an on campus housing facility. The log is available for inspection by contacting the Facilities Office, Monday through Friday during normal business hours.

2009 Residence Hall Fire Log

Building Name	#	Date	Cause	Injuries requiring treatment	Deaths related to fire	Property Damage Value (\$)	Report Number
Appleby	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Auen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beckett	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Benson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Berger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Boswell	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Claremont	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fawcett	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Green	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Phillips	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stark	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wohlford	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Apartments - All	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Plans for Improvement

The College's Emergency Management Committee is responsible for oversight of all emergency response and preparedness initiatives and Fire Safety falls under its jurisdiction. These initiatives are regularly reviewed by the Committee.