

Proposed Rules  
of  
The Tennessee Board of Regents  
State University and Community College System of Tennessee  
Tennessee Technological University

Chapter 0240-04-06  
Student Housing Rules

Presented herein are proposed amendments of the Tennessee Board of Regents submitted pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated § 4-5-202 in lieu of a rulemaking hearing. It is the intent of the Tennessee Board of Regents to promulgate these rules without a rulemaking hearing unless a petition requesting such hearing is filed within thirty (30) days of the publication date of the issue of the Tennessee Administrative Register in which the proposed amendments are published. Such petition to be effective must be filed in Suite 350 of the Genesco Park Building located at 1415 Murfreesboro Road, Nashville, TN 37217 and in the Department of State, Eighth Floor, Tennessee Tower, William R. Snodgrass Building, 312 Eighth Avenue, North, Nashville, TN 37243, and must be signed by twenty-five (25) persons who will be affected by the rules, or submitted by a municipality which will be affected by the rule, or an association of twenty-five (25) or more members, or any standing committee of the General Assembly.

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The text of the proposed amendments is as follows:

Amendments

1.Paragraph (2) of Rule 0240-04-06-.01 Eligibility is amended by deleting the text of the paragraph and substituting the following language, so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) The University requires all freshman and sophomores to live in residence halls.

2. Subparagraphs (a) through (c) of paragraph (3) of Rule 0240-04-06-.01 Eligibility are further amended by deleting the text of the subparagraphs and substituting the following language, so that, as amended, subparagraphs (a) through (c) shall read:

- (a) students who are junior classification or more,
- (b) students commuting from a parent's or legal guardian's home which is within a fifty (50) mile radius;
- (c) students living with a brother or sister who are enrolled full-time at the University within a fifty (50) mile radius;

3. Subparagraph (f) of paragraph (3) of Rule 0240-04-06-.01 Eligibility is further amended by deleting the text of the subparagraph and substituting the following language, so that, as amended, subparagraph (f) shall read:

- (f) emergency release granted by the Office of Residential Life. Please note: The signing of the housing agreement obligates the student to fulfill the terms and conditions of the agreement for the duration of the agreement.

4. Paragraph (3) of Rule 0240-04-06-.01 Eligibility is further amended by adding new subparagraphs (h) and (i) which shall read:

- (h) a single parent;
- (i) twenty-one (21) years old by the first day of class of the semester.

Authority: T.C.A. § 49-8-203.

5. Paragraph (1) of Rule 0240-04-06-.03 Resident Responsibility is amended by deleting the text of the paragraph and substituting the following language, so that, as amended, paragraph (1) shall read:

- (1) The University does not maintain insurance on any personal property of students, and all personal property of students on the premises should be at the risk of the students. Therefore, all students are encouraged to obtain personal property insurance, either from parents or an independent insurance agent.

Authority: T.C.A. § 49-8-203.

6. Paragraph (1) (excluding the subparagraphs and parts) of Rule 0240-04-06-.06 Reservations (Deposit, Cancellation and Refund Policies) is amended by deleting the text of the title only and substituting the following language, so that, as amended, the title of paragraph (1) shall read:

- (1) Student Apartment Agreements.

7. Subparagraph (b) of paragraph (1) of Rule 0240-04-06-.06 Reservations (Deposit, Cancellation and Refund Policies) is further amended by deleting the text of the subparagraph and substituting the following language, so that, as amended, subparagraph (b) shall read:

- (b) All Student Apartment Agreements are for six (6) months unless permission is granted by the Director of Residential Life prior to application approval.

8. Subparagraph (b) of paragraph (2) of Rule 0240-04-06-.06 Reservations (Deposit, Cancellation and Refund Policies) is further amended by deleting the text of the subparagraph and substituting the following language, so that, as amended, subparagraph (b) shall read:

- (b) A student may be released from this residence hall agreement before the effective date of the agreement by submitting written notification of cancellation to the Office of Residential Life, as long as the student has not checked in to his/her room, and it is prior to the first day of classes of the initial semester of the agreement, or by withdrawing from the

University. Students are advised to review current University policy requiring students to live in University housing to determine eligibility to live off campus.

Authority: T.C.A. § 49-8-203.

9.Paragraph (8) of Rule 0240-04-06-.07 Miscellaneous is amended by deleting the text of the paragraph and substituting the following language, so that, as amended, paragraph (8) shall read:

- (8) Weapons of any kind, including but not limited to, actual weapons, martial arts weapons, toy weapons, air guns, paint guns, knives (over 4 inches), etc., are not allowed in any campus location.

Authority: T.C.A. § 49-8-203.

The proposed rules set out herein were properly filed in the Department of State on the 20th day of September, 2007, and pursuant to the instructions set out above, and in the absence of the filing of an appropriate petition calling for a rulemaking hearing, will become effective on the 28th day of January, 2008. (FS 09-24-07; DBID 2695)