Life Safety Equipment Safety Bulletin

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The areas addressed in this bulletin are the types of life safety equipment used in campus buildings and the regulations that govern them. These items are regulated by University policy, the Township-adopted 2006 Edition of the International Fire Code and the State-adopted 2006 Edition of the NFPA Uniform Fire Code 1. These items are regulated due to their necessity to provide for the safety of building occupants during an emergency.

Equipment Types

The following items are considered life safety equipment.

- Fire Extinguishers
- Fire Alarm Pull Stations
- Horn/Strobe Assemblies
- Exit Sign/Emergency Lights
- Smoke Detectors
- Sprinkler Systems

Equipment Regulations

As these types of equipment are essential to the safety of building occupants they must always be in good working operation. This results in the following items being prohibited:

- Tampering with, and/or damaging life safety equipment.
- Obstructing access to and/or view of life safety equipment.

In addition to the equipment, obstructing access to the emergency egress (indicated by Exit Signs) is also prohibited.
Illustrated Violations Left to Right:

- Obstructed Fire Extinguisher
- Obstructed Egress
- Obstructed Pull Station
- Obstructed Horn/Strobe Assembly

Referenced Statutes:

- 2006 Edition IFC – Extinguishers-906.6, Means of Egress-1003.6, Pull Stations-907.4, Horn/Strobes-907.10