

# The 2011 OSU Fire Safety Report

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The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act

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## Introduction

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This report is prepared annually in compliance with the requirements of the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act. Recent amendments to the law mandate that schools receiving financial aid (Title IV) monies must report specific information about fire safety issues on their campuses. This report is in addition to the **Annual Security Report** that OSU produces to address the issues of crimes occurring on or near campus. A copy of that report may be obtained at the following web site:

<http://oregonstate.edu/dept/security/sites/default/files/2011clery.pdf>

Printed copies may be obtained at the Department of Public Safety, 200 Cascade Hall, 601 SW 17<sup>th</sup> St., Corvallis, Oregon. You may also request a copy by phone by calling 541-737-3010. Additional copies of this **Fire Safety Report** may be obtained at the same location or at the following web site:

<http://oregonstate.edu/dept/security/sites/default/files/2011firesafety.pdf>

## Residence Hall Fire Suppression Systems

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Each residence facility is listed below along with information about the fire notification equipment used in that building. All OSU residence facilities are equipped with fully addressable detection systems. The chart also lists other equipment which may be present in individual buildings as indicated.

If a building is listed as having an addressable detection system above, that means that each smoke or heat detector and pull station in that building is given a specific address in the fire system. When smoke or heat is detected, or a manual pull station is activated, that device is listed on the building fire panels, as well as sent to the Department of Public Safety. This allows first responders to quickly respond to the affected area(s) of a building. All of our facilities currently have addressable detection systems. EST3, Silent Knight, Honeywell-FCI, and Gamewell are all brands of addressable detection systems designed to evacuate the building, and notify the Department of Public Safety.

If a building is listed as having a fire suppression system above, that means that the building has been fitted with water fed sprinklers per building code. When a sprinkler head reaches a certain temperature the solder in the head melts and allows water to pass through the sprinkler head. All of our sprinkler systems contain numerous flow switches which, when a sprinkler head is activated, trigger the building's general fire alarm and notify the Department of Public Safety.

Four fire drills are conducted at each on-campus residence facility during the academic year. Two drills are conducted during fall term, one during winter and one during spring. The drills may be announced in advance or unannounced.

Residents receive instruction in fire safety guidelines in connection with each of these drills. How to report a fire, evacuation routes and the location of assembly areas outside the building where they should meet after evacuating are a few of the topics covered during this training. University Housing and Dining Services staff members are present during these drills to provide oversight, assistance and to observe the ability of residents to evacuate quickly and safely. Post drill reviews are conducted to evaluate the effectiveness of established procedures, to identify and correct any problems discovered during the drill and to recommend adjustments to training and procedures where appropriate.

### Residence Hall Fire Suppression Systems

Facility	Suppression Systems	Flow Alarm Activator	Wired Addressable Detection	9v Battery Detection Devices	Auto-Dialed / Monitored System	Manual Pull Stations	Battery Backup Exit Signs
Avery	-	-	Silent Knight	-	Yes	x	75%
Azalea	All	Yes	Silent Knight	-	Yes	x	75%
Bloss	1 <sup>st</sup> and Basement	Yes	EST3	-	Yes	x	20%
Buxton	All	Yes	EST3	-	Yes	x	x - All
Callahan	-	-	EST3	-	Yes	x	20%
Cauthorn	-	-	EST3	-	Yes	x	10%
Dixon	All	Yes	Silent Knight	-	Yes	x	75%
Finley	1 <sup>st</sup> and Basement	Yes	EST3	-	Yes	x	20%
Gem Building	All	Yes		Hardwired	Yes	x	
Halsell	All	Yes	EST3	-	Yes	x	x - All
Hawley	All	Yes	EST3	-	Yes	x	x - All
McNary	All	Yes	Honeywell-FCI	-	Yes	x	20%
Orchard Court	13 new units	Yes	Siemens	94 older units	Yes	x -Old units	
Oxford	All	Yes	Silent Knight	-	Yes	x	75%
Poling	-	-	EST3	-	Yes	x	10%
Sackett	-	-	Gamewell	-	Yes	x	50%
Weatherford	All	Yes	EST3	-	Yes	x	x - All
West Hall	All	Yes	Honeywell-FCI	-	Yes	x	x - All
Wilson	-	-	EST3	-	Yes	x	20%

## The number of fire drills held during the school year

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All on campus residence facilities are scheduled to have two fire drills during fall term, one during winter term and one during spring term.

## Rules pertaining to portable electrical appliances, smoking and open flames in a student housing facility

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The following items are also allowed but must be UL Listed and have an Automatic shut-off. (These items should only be used on leveled surface away from combustible materials)

- Clothes irons (must have double insulated cord)

- Coffee makers (must only use an insulated carafe)
- Hot Pots
- Rice cookers (may be stored in rooms but only used in kitchens, must have built-in thermal safety fuse)
- Hair iron

Reminder: Residents may not cook food in their room. Heating water or brewing coffee is allowed provided the fire detection system is not activated. Activation of the fire system, such as a smoke detector, even if on accident may result in disciplinary action by the University and the Corvallis Fire Department. For safety purposes, the smoke detectors are sensitive.

## The institution's procedures for student housing evacuation in the case of a fire

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A Fire Safety Plan has been developed for each on campus residence facility. Specific instructions for each facility are contained in those plans. They may be found on the Department of Public Safety web site at: <http://oregonstate.edu/dept/security/fire>

Instruction in the following evacuation procedures is offered at fall resident orientations at each hall:

- Get to know your building.
- Notify University / hall staff members if you have any special needs.
- Check-in with your hall staff for hall specific fire-evacuation plans.
- Residents must submit emergency contact information at the beginning of the year and any changes immediately.
- Touch the door to check if it is hot before opening it.
- Activate Alarm by pulling a Pull Station as you leave, if it is safe to do so.
- Once you are in a safe location, if no staff members are present, call 9-1-1 or 541-737-7000 to report the fire.
- Evacuate the building
- Meet with Fire Department
- Do not attempt to re-enter the building until advised by the fire department or a University official to do so.

## Fire safety education and training programs provided to the students and employees

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### Ongoing Training

- Hall Staff will receive quarterly orientation to the operations and locations of the fire alarm system, as well as a review of this plan and their roles. Staff will also conduct a quarterly simulation exercise where we will practice our individual roles.
- Residents receive a general orientation to the systems present in their hall at the beginning of the academic year. Staff reviews evacuation and emergency procedures on a quarterly basis at floor meetings. Residents also participate in two evacuation drills in fall term (one unannounced and one announced). Then there will be one in winter and one in spring.
- Custodial Staff will receive a copy of the plan for their review. Contractually they have no role other than to evacuate the building in the event of an emergency.
- Security staff is provided with a copy of the plan at the front desk.
- Maintenance staff is provided a copy of the plan.

## Organization to which students and employees should report that a fire occurred

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If a person discovers a fire in a residence hall or other campus building, that person should follow the evacuation procedures listed above. Once you are in a safe location outside the building you should notify the Corvallis Fire Department of the fire by calling 9-1-1.

If the fire is out when it is discovered and you believe that it has not yet been reported to University officials you should move to a safe location and contact the Department of Public Safety at 541-737-3010 for non-emergency situations or the Corvallis Fire Department for emergencies at 9-1-1.

## Plans for future improvements in fire safety, if determined necessary by the institution

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OSU has a Fire Safety Officer who inspects residence hall fire alarm systems on a regular basis. Routine maintenance and necessary repairs to these systems are a high priority. Each residence hall at OSU has an addressable fire alarm system that reports the specific location where a smoke detector or manual pull station has been activated in the event of a fire.

## Annual Fire Statistics for calendar year 2010

During the reporting period of Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, 2010 the following incidents of fire were reported in on-campus residence facilities:

<b>Statistics and Related Information Regarding Fires in Residential Facilities</b>						
<b>Facility</b>	<b>Total Fires in each building</b>	<b>Fire Number</b>	<b>Cause of Fire</b>	<b>Number of Injuries that Required Treatment at a Medical Facility</b>	<b>Number of Deaths Related to a Fire</b>	<b>Value of Property Damage Caused by Fire*</b>
Avery 1030 SW Madison Way	0					
Azalea 1050 SW Madison Way	0					
Bloss 2001 SW Western	0					
Buxton 210 SW Weatherford Pl.	0					
Callahan 1420 SW Jefferson Way	1	1	Open Flames	0	0	\$ 0-99
Cauthorn 361 SW Sackett Pl	1	1	Machinery / Industrial	1	0	\$ 100 - 999
Dixon 265 SW 11 <sup>th</sup> St.	0					
Finley 2100 SW Mat Way	0					
Gem Building 155 NW Kings	0					
Halsell 644 SW 17 <sup>th</sup> St.	0					
Hawley 311 SW Sackett Pl	0					
McNary 1220 SW Jefferson Ave.	0					
Orchard Court 3401 NW Orchard Ave.	0					
Oxford 957 SW Jefferson Ave.	0					
Poling 360 SW Weatherford Pl	0					
Sackett 2901 SW Jefferson Ave.	0					
Weatherford300 SW 26 <sup>th</sup> St.	0					
West Hall 391 SW 30 <sup>th</sup> St.	0					
Wilson 1351 SW Adams Ave.	3	1	Other	0	0	\$ 0-99
		2	Smoking Material	0	0	\$ 0-99
		3	Other	0	0	\$ 0-99

## Annual Fire Statistics for calendar year 2009

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2010 is the first year that we have been required to provide statistical information about fires occurring within the University residence halls. These statistics are for fires occurring in on-campus residence halls between Jan 1, 2009 and Dec. 31, 2009.

### Fire Statistics

During calendar year 2009, Oregon State University had one fire in an on-campus residence hall. See chart below:

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Bloss 2001 SW Western	0					
Buxton 210 SW Weatherford Pl.	0					
Callahan 1420 SW Jefferson Way	0					
Cauthorn 361 SW Sackett Pl	0					
Dixon 265 SW 11 <sup>th</sup> St.	0					
Finley 2100 SW Mat Way	0					
Halsell 644 SW 17 <sup>th</sup> St.	0					
Hawley 311 SW Sackett Pl	0					
McNary 1220 SW Jefferson Ave.	0					
Orchard Court 3401 NW Orchard Ave.	0					
Oxford 957 SW Jefferson Ave.	0					
Poling 360 SW Weatherford Pl	0					
Sackett 2901 SW Jefferson Ave.	0					
Weatherford300 SW 26 <sup>th</sup> St.	1	1	Unintentional - Electrical	0	0	\$2500.00
West Hall 391 SW 30 <sup>th</sup> St.	0					
Wilson 1351 SW Adams Ave.	0					