

# DCB Standards of Cleanliness for Residence Hall Students

Maintaining a clean-living environment is essential to the health and safety of all who share the space. This document outlines the standards of cleanliness expected of all students living in residence halls, including cleaning responsibilities, frequency, inspections, and consequences for violations.

## Cleaning Responsibilities and Frequency – Gross Hall and Mead Hall

### 1. Individual Room and Suite Responsibilities

Residents are responsible for maintaining the cleanliness of their own rooms including:

- **Trash:** take out trash to outdoor dumpsters at least **once per week**. Do not put trash from rooms in hallway or bathroom garbage cans.
- **Floors:** Sweep and mop hard floors and vacuum carpets at least **every two weeks**.
- **Surfaces:** Dust and wipe down desks, shelves, and other surfaces at least **every two weeks**.
- **Laundry:** Wash clothing, bedding, and towels at least **every two weeks**.
- **Food Storage:** Dispose of expired food and clean out mini-fridges at least **once per month**.
- **Bathroom (Gross and Mead Halls):** keep personal toiletries in own room. Personal garbage should not be disposed of in the bathroom trash cans.

## Cleaning Responsibilities and Frequency – Milligan Hall

Residents are responsible for maintaining the cleanliness of their own rooms including:

- **Trash:** take out trash to outdoor dumpsters at least **once per week**. Do not put trash from rooms in hallway or bathroom garbage cans.
- **Floors:** Sweep and mop hard floors and vacuum carpets at least **every two weeks**.
- **Surfaces:** Dust and wipe down desks, shelves, and other surfaces at least **every two weeks**.
- **Laundry:** Wash clothing, bedding, and towels at least **every two weeks**.
- **Food Storage:** Dispose of expired food and clean out mini-fridges at least **once per month**.
- **Bathroom:**
  - Wipe down sinks and mirrors weekly

- Keep personal items neat
- Showers and toilets will be cleaned by custodians every two weeks.

## Inspections and Enforcement

- Housing staff will conduct health and safety room checks at least three times each semester
- Random inspections may occur if cleanliness concerns are reported.
- Prohibited items will be confiscated: small appliances, candles, etc. Please refer to your Residence Life Handbook for a full list of allowable items and room check guidelines.

## Violation Consequences and Fines

Offense	Fine Amount	Consequence
First violation	Warning	Must clean within 48 hours
Second violation	\$25	Must clean within 24 hours
Third violation	\$50	Housing Meeting with the Director of Student Services
Fourth violation	Eviction Process	Loss of Housing Privileges

### Additional Fines:

- **Severe Negligence (e.g., mold, pests, excessive trash buildup, etc.):** Immediate \$50 fine and mandatory deep cleaning.
- **Failure to clean common areas (e.g., dirty dishes, laundry, etc.):** \$25 fine per person assigned.
- **Damage due to neglect (e.g., stains, broken fixtures from unclean conditions):** Cost of repair or replacement.

## Eviction Process

- Students who reach four violations or have extreme cleanliness-related issues (e.g., pest infestations, health hazards, etc.) may face eviction from residence halls.
- Housing staff will review cases individually before making a final decision.
- Evicted students may be barred from future on-campus housing.