

Valdosta State University
2011-2012 Annual Fire Safety Report on Student Housing

Valdosta State University Campus Fire Alarm System Overview

Updated 09/30/2013

Residence Hall	Building Number	Fire Alarm Addressable?	Smoke Detectors	Fire Alarm Pull Stations
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Residence Hall

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Sprinkler
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If there is smoke, stay low; it will be easier to breathe.

Residents and their guests a

Fire Alarm Activity Log Sheet



Fire Safety Inspections and Improvements:

Fire protection systems are tested annually under the supervision of Plant Operations. Improvements, upgrades or repairs to fire safety systems are made when tests or evaluations indicate a problem exists. Notify Environmental and Occupational Safety whenever you notice damage or a possible problem with fire protection equipment. Each month, Environmental and Occupational Safety staff performs monthly general building fire safety inspections. In addition, Residence Life staff performs resident room inspections twice per semester and once over the summer. Any fire safety violations will be cited and referred for immediate correction. Violators may be judicially referred.

Specific Fire Safety Procedures:

- * Be aware of the exit locations in your building.
- * If a fire alarm is activated, immediately leave the building. Get others to do the same as you leave.
- * Use the stairs, not the elevators, when evacuating the building.
- * Move to your assembly point a safe distance away from the building, and do not congregate in roadways or service drives.
- * If a person is disabled or in need of assistance, tell responding emergency services personnel. Use stairwells as a place of refuge until emergency personnel arrive to safely move the person from the building.
- * Close all doors and windows. This will help contain any possible fire, smoke or poisonous gases.
- * Use fire extinguishers only on small fires or only if it appears safe to do so.
- * Do not put your own safety in danger.
- * Never hesitate to activate a fire alarm system if you suspect fire, smoke or unusual heat.

involved in fire control; attempting rescue; or escaping from the dangers of a fire; or deaths that occur within 1 year of injuries sustained as a result of the fire.

Fire safety system Any mechanism or system related to the detection of a fire, the warning resulting from a fire, or the control of a fire including: Sprinkler or other fire extinguishing systems, Fire detection devices, standalone smoke alarms, devices that alert one to the presence of a fire, such as horns, bells, or strobe lights, smoke-control and reduction mechanisms, and Fire doors and walls that reduce the spread of a fire.

Value of Property Damage The estimated value of the loss of the structure and contents, in terms of the cost of replacement in like kind and quantity, including: contents damaged by fire, related damages caused by smoke, water, and overhaul, however it does not include indirect loss, such as business interruption

Valdosta State University Fire Response Plan

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Overview

Fire can be one of the most dangerous events, which can occur on a university campus. Fire prevention is preferable to fire fighting and University staff will report all fire hazards to the University Police Department.

The University buildings vary in construction, internal fire suppression capabilities, and ease of access. It is imperative that in the event of a fire, that we work together to provide a coordinated response to assist fire fighters.

I. Training

All departments should train their personnel in fire prevention techniques, the use of portable fire extinguishers, and first aid. All staff should also be instructed in the location of fire exits in their building the exit plan for removing students and other personnel from the building in the event of a fire. Staff and faculty should pay special attention to any; disabled employees or staff that would need assistance in exiting a building in the event of fire or natural disaster.

II. Fire Response

A. University Police Officer locates fire

1. Evaluation

When an officer locates a fire, the officer will evaluate the extent of the fire and determine the following:

- a. Will a fire extinguisher be able to suppress the fire rapidly and completely?
- b. Is

- c. Person s coming to the police station to report the fire.
- d. Direct call to 7816

2. When notified of a fire, the dispatcher will notify the duty Commander of the report and the method by which it was received (Alarm system; phone call, etc.). The dispatcher will also notify the fire department. The duty commander of the Valdosta Fire Department will be given the following information.

- a. Location and type of fire (or alarm) (e.g., kitchen, bedroom, etc.);
- b. Location of the fire (or alarm) in the building and the name of the fire is.
- c. The number and type of

will respond to requests from the Fire Chief as if it were a direct order from VSU PD supervisor. If directed by the fire department to perform a duty that takes an officer from a VSU Police assignment, the VSU supervisor is to be notified immediately.

8. Update Dispatch The supervisor will keep the Dispatcher updated as to the progress of the fire, level of damage, fire suppression efforts, and injuries/fatalities.

III. Activation of Command Center

In the event a fire affects a major structure on campus, a Command Center will be activated.

1. Direction and Control
The President of the University or his/her designee will exercise direction and Control of Disaster Operations at Valdosta State University. The VSU Chief of Police and the Director of Environmental and Occupational Safety (or their designee) will be utilized as Operational Disaster Coordinators for the President.
2. Establishment of a Command Center
The Command Center will be established in close proximity to the fire scene.

Staffing of Command Center Depending on the severity of the disaster, the type of facility involved, the Command Center will be manned by some/all of the following personnel:

- a. President
- b. Command Group
- c. Emergency Coordinator

3. Communication Systems

The VSU PD Communications System the 800 MHz Facilities Radio System and other radio systems will be utilized to ensure contact with Campus Departments and assisting Agencies. Any radio system used during the operation will be registered with the Command Center and one of the radios assigned to the dispatchers in the Command Center.

4. Use of University Resources and Mutual Aid

During the emergency or disaster, university departments will perform necessary emergency functions as provided in this plan. Mutual aid will not be requested until all available university resources and/or manpower have been depleted, or until resources are no longer available. All assistance provided to the University or by the University to the County or City will be in accordance with the Mutual Aid agreements signed by all three entities.

5. Personnel Rosters

All responding emergency services personnel will report to the

Residents must not leave the area without checking- in with the Housing Staff. A list of all residents must be maintained showing who is in the shelter and those who have found shelter with friends. This list will be maintained so that the University can account for all residents.

Shelter Operations

