

POLICY FOR THE USE OF OUTDOOR COMMON AREAS AND FACILITIES OWNED BY THE CHELSEA HOUSING AUTHORITY

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Residents of the Chelsea Housing Authority who wish to use any outdoor common area for parties or other approved functions must comply with the following policy.

1. NOTIFICATION

Notification is only required when there will be more than five people in attendance at any given time.

The head of household must notify their housing manager at least 48 hours prior to the event.

The head of household must indicate the type of event they wish to have.

The head of house must also provide the manager with an accurate number of people that will be attending the event. All requests must be in writing and approved by the Executive Director or his designee and the Resident Council.

2. FEES

There shall be no assessment of fees for the use of any outdoor space owned by the CHA.

The resident will not charge any fee for admission or sell any food, beverage or other products at any event held on CHA property.

3. RESTRICTIONS ON TIMES AND LOCATIONS

In an effort to allow residents to enjoy their homes while at the same time respecting the rights of others in the development and neighborhood, the following restrictions must be followed relating to time and locations for events.

Only areas designated by the housing manager will be allowed to be used.

Any event that diverts from the area designated by the housing manager will be shut down immediately.

Outdoor events may only be scheduled during the following times:

Sunday - Thursday 11:00 am to 7:00 pm
Friday & Saturday 11:00 am to 10:00 pm

4. RESTRICTIONS

Residents must not restrict access to any common area or outdoor space to other residents of the development.

Residents must not block, bar, cover or hinder in any way access to any doorways, windows, stairways, halls, paths, fire alarms, pull stations, alarm panels or hydrants.

The resident will restrict their guests from parking in resident parking areas.

The resident will not allow their guests to park in such a way as to interfere with other neighbors in the area.

5. LAWFUL USE OF OUT DOOR AREAS

The Chelsea Housing Authority shall not allow residents using any common areas or outdoor spaces to violate any federal or state laws or any city ordinance set forth by the City of Chelsea. This includes, but is not limited to the following.

The public consumption of alcohol or any other intoxicating liqueur.

The use, sale or distribution of any narcotics.

Loud voices, music or sounds that disturb or disrupt other persons in the area.

6. INSTALLATION AND USE OF SWIMMING POOLS (Revised June 23, 2004)

As required by HUD, DHCD and our insurance company, the CHA Board of Commissioners has changed the policy on the use of pools. The policy, revised on June 23, 2004, bans all swimming pools on CHA property. This includes swimming pools, children's wading pools, inflatable pools or any other improvised container made for the use of holding water for swimming or wading.

Any pools found on CHA property will be removed by the CHA as a safety hazard and disposed of at the resident's expense.

7. PLAY STRUCTURES AND OTHER RECREATIONAL PLAY EQUIPMENT

As required by HUD, DHCD and our insurance company, the CHA Board of Commissioners has changed the policy on the installation of out door recreation equipment. The policy, revised on June 23, 2004, bans the installation or use of any trampoline, swing set or other type of playground equipment or structure, other than the equipment provided by the CHA in the playground areas. This includes, but is not limited to the Fitzpatrick Apartments where each unit has its own yard.

Any trampoline, swing set or other type of playground equipment or structure found on CHA property will be removed by the CHA as a safety hazard and disposed of at the resident's expense.

8. DISCRIMINATION

No person shall be discriminated against on the basis of race, religion, color, national or ethnic origin, ancestry, age, sex, handicap, sexual orientation, marital status, military status, or receipt of public assistance.

9. EFFECTIVE DATE

The Policy of the Chelsea Housing Authority governing the Request for and use of outdoor facilities owned by the Chelsea Housing Authority shall become effective September 23, 1998.

10. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this policy or the application thereof is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not effect other provisions or the application of any other part of this policy not specifically held invalid, and to this end of the provisions of this policy and various applications thereof are declared to be severable.