

Environmental Health & Safety Fire and Life Safety & Emergency Preparedness Guidance Document

Title: Use of Wheeled Recreational Transportation Inside Buildings

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The use of wheeled recreational transportation inside of the buildings at UTHSC-H is prohibited. The use of bicycles, scooters, skateboards, roller blades, etcetera, are not allowed due to the associated risks to other building occupants and lack of indoor storage for such items. However, this does not exclusively restrict the act of bringing one of these items inside the building and storing inside an office or locker. The building management only asks that you clean the tires thoroughly of all water and dirt before entering, as this could cause a slipping hazard for fellow faculty, staff, students, and/or patients. Also, any indoor storage location shall not block an exit, access to an exit, and no items are allowed to be stored in the corridors. Bicycle racks are available outside the buildings and you are encouraged to use these. If the racks are not adequate, or need repair, please forward your concerns to the FIXIT line at (713) 500-3498.

The building management reserves the right to consider each request for storage inside the buildings on a case-by-case basis. If building management feels in any way that bringing such transportation inside the building poses undue risk to building occupants or the person themselves, the right is reserved by building management to deny this activity. Any acts of non-compliance will be forwarded to UTPD, building management, and the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston Safety Council.

The University of Texas Police Department will be the primary enforcers of this policy. However, disciplinary actions will be followed in accordance with current university policies and procedures in cases of continued non-compliance.