



Search for Hazardous Items

Policy

HOMTC has the right and responsibility to search residents' belongings (including vehicle) and the residences for illegal substances and inappropriate/hazardous items.

Basis

HOMTC seeks to ensure the safety of all residents and to provide a safe environment conducive to recovery from addiction.

Procedure

- A. Upon admission, a house manager may search the resident's personal belongings for illegal or inappropriate/hazardous items. The resident will be informed of HOMTC policy regarding keeping of illegal substances or inappropriate/hazardous items in residence.
- B. Periodic searches (timing is decided by the house manager) of the residences will be done by a house manager to look for illegal or inappropriate/hazardous items.
- C. If a resident is found to be in possession of an illegal or inappropriate/hazardous item upon admission, the item or substance will be confiscated by the house manager. If, during a search, it is discovered that a resident is keeping an illegal substance (e.g. drugs such as cocaine, heroine, etc.) or an inappropriate/hazardous item (e.g. a legal but mood-altering drug such as alcohol or a weapon) the item(s) will be confiscated and the resident will be subject to discipline and may be discharged. Any inappropriate/hazardous items that are found will be confiscated, destroyed, and/or turned into the authorities.
- D. Inappropriate/Hazardous Items:
 - Illegal drugs: cocaine, heroin, amphetamine, marijuana, etc.
 - Legal drugs that are mood-altering: alcohol and anything containing alcohol, prescription drugs, etc.
 - Weapons or anything heavy or sharp enough to be used as a weapon
 - Pornography

Resident Signature _____ Date _____

Witness/Staff Signature _____ Date _____