Garage Storage Prohibited Items

Perishables

Perishables such as food items, pet food, bird seed, etc. Some canned foods are able to be stored, but it is not recommended to do so.

Hazardous Materials

What we designate as hazardous material is anything that can create serious damage if spilled or opened.

- 1. Combustible Materials / Aerosols
- 2. Acid / Gasoline Poisons / Charcoal / Lighter Fluid
- 3. Fertilizer / Paints / Car Batteries / Matches
- 4. Nail Polish & Remover / Ammunition / Liquid Bleach / Stern
- 5. Aerosols / Kerosene / Pool Chemicals / Chemistry Sets
- 6. Fireworks / Pesticides / Motor Oil / Paint Thinner
- 7. Batteries / Loaded Weapons / Weed Killer / Ammonia
- 8. Lamp Oil / Propane Tanks / Cleaning Fluid

Firearms/Munitions

This includes ammunition, munitions/firearms, bombs and fireworks

<u>Unregistered Vehicles</u>

Any vehicle, whether it be a car, truck, boat, RV, trailer or motorcycle, cannot be stored on the complex grounds unless the registration is kept current.

Drugs

Drugs and drug-related paraphernalia are strictly prohibited in your garage unit and also on the property in general, and they are illegal.

Stolen Property

If you don't legally own it, you cannot keep it in your garage unit. If you have anything in your garage unit that has been reported stolen, you could get into serious trouble with the law.

Live/Dead Animals

You may not store living animals, or dead ones, in your garage unit. Using a garage unit to house a pet is very cruel; confining them to darkness, keeping them alone and without the proper necessities. Not to mention, it is illegal.

<u>People</u>

You cannot live in your garage unit, at any time. You cannot work from your unit either. Garage units are designed to house your belongings and vehicles only, and are not meant to be used as an apartment or office space.

You are not allowed to plug in or use refrigerators, freezers, generators, space heaters or live in storage units.

Keeping scented items or wet items in your garage unit are also a bad idea. Although these items are not considered "banned" from our complex, it is a good rule of thumb to follow some guidelines to keep your belongings safe and free from damage. Scented items can easily attract pests, just like food will. Wet items, such as damp dish towels or clothes that have not dried completely, will aide in the growth of mildew, mold and bacteria and can quickly cause odors and damage to your property. Be sure to double check everything and ensure it is dry before packing it into boxes and placing it in your garage unit.

Items not Recommended for Storage

Photos, documents, and books

Heat and humidity can wreak havoc on photos. The chemicals used to print photos can melt and the humidity can cause photos to stick together and cause irreversible damage. Like photos, paper is also subject to damage from humidity, including yellowing, mold, and mildew.

Electronics

Electronics are sensitive to heat and can be easily damaged when exposed to extreme temperatures, high or low.

Furniture and Clothing

Extreme temperatures and humidity can cause wood to crack, break and warp, while fabrics will yellow and degrade and develop mold and mildew.

Collectibles, art, and other valuables

Artwork, antiques, and even wine are all susceptible to extreme temperatures and humidity. The best way to protect these valuables is to store them in a climate controlled unit.