

Policies of the University of North Texas	Chapter 7
07.029 Prohibition of Camping on University Property	Student Affairs

Policy Statement. The University of North Texas has an interest in controlling and maintaining university property to safeguard the health and safety of individuals and to ensure that university property is utilized for its designed purposes in support of the university’s educational and business missions. By this policy, the university prohibits the use of university property for purposes unrelated to the regular programs and activities of the university.

Application of Policy. All UNT students, employees, organizations and guests.

Definitions. The following definitions apply for purposes of this policy only:

1. Camping is defined as any of the following:
 - a. sleeping any time between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m., outdoors, with or without camp paraphernalia;
 - b. establishing or maintaining outdoors, anytime between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m., a temporary or permanent place for sleeping or cooking by setting up any camp paraphernalia;
 - c. Establishing, or attempting to establish, temporary or permanent living quarters on university property other than residence halls, apartments or other university housing; and
 - d. Sleeping in or under any parked vehicle.
2. Camp paraphernalia includes, but is not limited to tents, tarps, sleeping bags, beds and bedding, cots, mattresses, hammocks, cooking or warming equipment, or any temporary outdoor shelter.
3. University property includes all outdoor areas owned, leased or controlled by the university and all buildings and permanent structures owned by the university

Procedures and Responsibilities.

General Rules

1. Camping is not permitted on university property except as permitted below.
2. Exceptions-
 - i. As a part of tailgating activities that are undertaken in accordance with the University's rules regarding tailgating at sports events.
 - ii. In connection with approved University events which require overnight occupancy at the site of the activity. The Dean of Students may approve overnight use of university property when such use is consistent with the university's educational and/or business mission and will not be detrimental to the health, safety or welfare of event participants or the campus community. The Dean of Students will develop procedures for approval of overnight occupancy for university events.
 - iii. In extraordinary circumstances, such as times of natural disaster, when approved in writing in advance by the President of the University or his/ her designee.

Responsible Party: Dean of Students, UNT Police, President

References and Cross-references. None.

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