

Bowdoin College

Student Damage Policy

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Student Damage

Students should report any room or furniture damage to the Facilities Department via the Work Order system (<https://www.bowdoin.edu/facilities/work-orders-services/submit-work-order.html>). The Facilities Department will review the damage, provide pricing for the repairs, and coordinate the work.

Life Safety Violations

The Facilities and Residential Life departments will conduct building and room inspections throughout the academic year noting any damage and/or life safety violations. Residential Life Staff will reach out to students regarding any life safety violations and students must address issues within a reasonable timeframe, otherwise fines will be levied.

Life Safety Violations/Student Damage	Fine	Estimated Repair Cost
Life safety policy violation	\$100	N/A
Fire door	\$100	\$929
Egress plan holder	\$100	\$144
Emergency light	\$100	\$671
Exit sign	\$100	\$244
Failure to evacuate during a fire drill	\$100	N/A
False fire alarm	TBD	N/A
Fire extinguisher, recharge	\$100	\$150
Fire extinguisher, replace	\$100	\$229
Open security screen	\$100	\$150
Smoke detector	\$100	\$399
Tampering with or defeating fire door and/or egress devices	\$250	1 hr labor minimum @ \$60 per hr
Tampering with or defeating life safety device	\$250	1 hr labor minimum @ \$60 per hr
Tampering with thermostat and/or heat valve	\$100	1 hr labor minimum @ \$60 per hr