Lodge and Cottage Closing Information

Summer 2026 Closure

The following is a comprehensive listing of a closing checklist as we prepare for the summer months.

Cottage and Lodge Facilities

- No one is allowed to reside in the lodge or cottage at any time throughout the summer.
- Do not leave/store any personal belongings in the cottage or lodge during May- August. The University insurance does not cover any personal contents within the building.
- Do not store furniture outside the lodge or cottage either.
- The surrounding grounds should be very clean, and the facility locked (doors and windows) prior to leaving. Painting, maintenance issues etc. will be conducted during the summer.
- All trash must be removed from all trashcans. All debris must be clean up and discarded from the grounds, behind decks, between lodges/cottages etc.
- All food needs to be removed from the facility, there should not be any food in the fridge, cabinets, or in any other part of the facility.
- All thermostats are to be turned to 80 degrees for the summer to help reduce energy costs.

Cottage Specific

- If the cottage is **not** completely cleaned upon the agreed closing inspection day, **Friday**, **May 1**st, **2026**, the sorority will be put on a social probation status for the **two** months of the fall semester, resulting in **not** be able to host any events. If this occurs, then special arrangements will be made to appropriately clean the cottage during this time and the sorority will be charged.
- Cleaning requirements
 - o Inside Cottage
 - Baseboards clean from grit and accumulated dirt
 - Mop buckets are emptied
 - Floors cleaned with cleaning agent
 - Kitchen sinks are cleaned
 - Bathroom sinks are cleaned
 - Toilets are cleaned
 - Mirrors are cleaned
 - Refrigerator and freezer are clean
 - Utensils are cleaned and stored properly
 - All cupboard doors are closing correctly
 - Closets must be clean and able to walk through
 - Must have a clear, unobstructed path to hot water heater and electrical panel
 - No wet cleaning supplies or standing water in any container
- Report
 - o If there are any issues with your cottage, please email me a list, some examples may be:
 - Broken windows
 - Broken door and window locks
 - Split door frames
 - Leaking/clogged gutters
 - Electrical malfunctions
 - Water leaks

Lodge Specific

- All broken furniture, moldy couches & chairs etc. that needs to be discarded, place at the dumpster, on the side (so that the dumpster truck can access) and a pickup will be coordinated.
- The locks on every lodge will be plugged to secure the facility immediately after the final inspection.
- If the lodge is **not** completely cleaned upon the agreed closing inspection day, **Friday**, **May 1**st, **2026**, the fraternity will be put on a social probation status for the **two** months of the fall semester, resulting in **not** being able to host

any events. If this occurs, then special arrangements will be made to appropriately clean the lodge during this time and the fraternity will be charged.

- Trashcans should be left upside down in the back yard of the lodge.
- Backyards need to be completely cleaned. Everything should be placed in a shed, locked up and placed against the back of the lodge or discarded.
- Cleaning requirements
 - o Outside area including decks, patios, and porches
 - Dispose of all trash
 - Sweeping of all leaves from sidewalks
 - Proper storage of all watering hoses
 - Remove and dispose of all trash under deck
 - Secure propane tanks with locked chains
 - Empty and turn trash cans upside down
 - Remove all paint cans from premises
 - Sweeping of all cobwebs and debris
 - o Inside Lodge
 - Baseboards clean from grit and accumulated dirt
 - Walls cleaned from splattered dirt, no paint
 - Mop buckets are emptied
 - Floors cleaned with cleaning agent
 - Kitchen sinks are cleaned
 - Bathroom sinks are cleaned
 - Toilets are cleaned
 - Mirrors are cleaned
 - Refrigerator and freezer are clean
 - Utensils are cleaned and stored properly
 - All cupboard doors are closing correctly
 - Closets must be clean and able to walk through
 - Must have a clear, unobstructed path to hot water heater and electrical panel
 - No wet cleaning supplies or standing water in any container
- Report
 - o If there are any issues with your lodge, please email me a list, some examples may be:
 - Broken windows
 - Broken door and window locks
 - Unsafe decking
 - Split door frames
 - Leaking/clogged gutters
 - Electrical malfunctions
 - Water leaks

Your house manager or another leader in your organization needs to be present for the last Monday inspection on **Monday, April 27**th between 3:00-4:00 PM. Lodges will be inspected from **3:00-3:30 PM** and cottages will be inspected from **3:30 to 4:00 PM**. Cottage and Lodge access will be closed on **Friday, May 1st.**