

**OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY**  
**University Policies and Procedures**

**3231 - USE OF SKATEBOARDS, ROLLER BLADES/SKATES OR  
OTHER RECREATIONAL DEVICES ON UNIVERSITY PROPERTY**

Statement: Old Dominion University is an open community of scholars that values both ideas and action. It is recognized that recreation is a necessary part of human activity and development, and as such should be celebrated. However, recreational activities should never infringe on the rights or safety of others, nor cause damage to campus buildings and grounds. Therefore, it is the policy of Old Dominion University that:

1. The use of skateboards, roller blades/skates or other recreational devices in university buildings or residence halls is prohibited.
2. The use of skateboards, roller blades/skates or other recreational devices on hand railings, benches, fountains, stairs, statuary and other landscape improvements or barriers is prohibited.
3. The use of skateboards, roller blades/skates or other recreational devices in an unsafe manner is prohibited. In this context, “unsafe” is normally construed as, but not limited to:
  - a. Use of these devices at an unsafe speed likely to cause injury or collision, especially injury to others, as determined by the time, place and conditions.
  - b. Use of these devices on University property, for which the property was not designed, and which is likely to cause damage to property or injury to others, whether immediate or latent, as determined by the time, place and conditions.
4. Use of skateboards, roller blades/skates, or other recreational devices in places and at times that adversely impact university programming, such as near academic classes or activities while in progress, is prohibited. It is recommended that academic areas be avoided when engaging in recreational activities in order to prevent violations of this policy.
5. Violations of this policy by members of the student body shall be addressed by means of a student disciplinary summons to the Office of Student Services. The University reserves the right to pursue other legal sanctions for violations of this policy at its sole discretion.
6. Violations of this policy by persons who are not current students shall be addressed by appropriate action of the University Police. Such action may include trespass warnings, the issuance of summons for vandalism, civil infractions or other offenses, or other legal sanctions.

7. Variances of this police are at the discretion of a competent authority of the University.

**Responsibility:** Vice President for Administration and Finance

**Authorization:** James V. Koch, President

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