
FACILITIES NOTIFICATION: Humidity Information Update 9/28

1 message

Residential Facilities <resfacilities@umd.edu>
To: Residential Facilities SHARED <resfacilities@umd.edu>
Bcc: cmoore@umd.edu

Fri, Sep 28, 2018 at 2:32 PM

Dear Residents of Cumberland Hall and Leonardtown Apartments 238-243,

As a follow up to last week's email, we continue to receive isolated reports about mold from some residence halls. While the high temperatures have subsided this week, our area has continued to experience higher than average relative humidity levels outside due to the persistent heavy rains - this has continued to maintain higher relative humidity levels inside as well.

Important Actions You Can Take

We urge you to take the following steps to help alleviate the humidity level in your room/unit and help prevent mold growth:

- **Keep your windows closed.** Open windows allow the humid outside air into your room further compounding the issues we are fighting.
- Please **turn your window air-conditioner on** to at least a low cool setting with the temperature set between 72° and 74°F.
- **Cumberland your closet door open** slightly to allow air to flow in/out of it
- **Leave your door open while you are in your bedroom**, if you are comfortable doing so
- If you see any mold growth on personal belongings such as shoes or bags, you should clean it off with soap and water.
- If you see mold growth in your room/unit, please call our 24-hour Service Center at 301-314-9675 to report it, and a member of our staff will respond as quickly as possible.

If you have questions related to mold, we encourage you to review the following information from the Department of Environmental Safety, Sustainability, and Risk: [UMD Mold Fact Sheet](#) and consult the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) document located on the [Resident Life website](#) (reslife.umd.edu).

As always, if you need our assistance with any facilities or maintenance concerns in your residence hall, please notify us immediately by calling our 24-hour Service Center at 301-314-9675.

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Dear Residents of Anne Arundel, La Plata, Queen Anne's, and Somerset Halls,

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- **Keep your windows closed.** Open windows allow the humid outside air into your room further compounding the issues we are fighting.
- Please **turn your fan coil unit on** to a low fan speed (lift hinged lid on top of unit to access fan control knob).
- It is imperative that you **move any furniture or personal belongings at least 12" away from the front of your fan coil unit** to allow it to circulate, cool, and dehumidify the air in your room properly.
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Dear Residents of Bel Air, Calvert, Cambridge, Centreville, Denton, Dorchester, Easton, Harford, Oakland, and Prince Frederick Halls,

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Dear Residents of Suites/Apartments in St. Mary's Hall, Leonardtown Buildings 244-249, and the South Hill Community (except Calvert, Cecil, and Harford),

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- Please be sure to **set your thermostat's fan is set to AUTO, mode is set to COOL**, and the temperature is set between 72°-74°F. Setting the unit to "AUTO" will let the system run optimally to dehumidify your suite/apartment.
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