

Safety Alert

Privacy Pop Bed Tents Hazard

During the past college inspection cycle which began in late September, the Office of Fire Prevention and Control (OFPC) came across numerous Privacy Pop Bed Tents in college rooms. Upon further investigation, OFPC found that these pose a major hazard to occupants when it comes to fire safety. As you can see from the information on their label (below), these tents are highly flammable. Referring to the 2015 International Fire Code 807.5.6 which states *“In Group R-2 dormitories, within sleeping units and dwelling units, the combustible decorative materials shall be of limited quantities such that a hazard of fire development or spread is not present,”* colleges should inform all student residents that these tents are not permitted. Going forth, a violation will be issued if tents are discovered during an inspection. At this time, if you are aware of any in use, OFPC must insist that you have students remove them immediately.



Per the label on the tent:

- WARNING: USE THIS PRODUCT AT YOUR OWN RISK. KEEP ALL FLAME AND HEAT SOURCES AWAY FROM THIS PRODUCT FABRIC.
- KEEP AWAY FROM FIRE, CANDLES, OPEN FLAME OR BURNING CIGARETTES.
- THIS ARTICLE DOES NOT MEET CALIFORNIA BUREAU OF HOME FURNISHING’S FLAMMABILITY REQUIREMENTS.
- PRIVACY POP IS NOT FIRE PROOF.
- THE FABRIC MAY BURN IF LEFT IN CONTINUOUS CONTACT WITH ANY FLAME SOURCE.
- CARE SHOULD BE EXERCISED NEAR OPEN FLAME.

