

1. Title

Use of Facilities

2. Rule and Regulation

Sec. 1 Use by Registered Organizations. Subject to constitutional and statutory restrictions on the use of State property for religious or political purposes, a students' association; a registered student, faculty, or staff organization; or an officially recognized alumni association that qualifies under [Rule 80103](#), Section 2.9 of the Regents' *Rules and Regulations* and whose fund-raising activities are dedicated to the benefit of the U. T. System or any of the institutions, may reserve and use buildings, grounds, and facilities owned or controlled by the U. T. System or any of the institutions in compliance with reasonable and nondiscriminatory time, place, and manner provisions of the approved regulations of the U. T. System or any of the institutions. Such regulations shall specify the procedures under which such organizations may reserve the buildings, grounds, and facilities for their use. Such use must be for purposes permitted by the Regents' *Rules and Regulations* and be conducted in compliance with [Rule 80103](#) of the Regents' *Rules and Regulations*. Groups of students, faculty, or staff who are not registered or groups of alumni other than officially recognized alumni associations whose fund-raising activities are dedicated to the benefit of any institution may not use the institution's buildings, facilities, or grounds.

Sec. 2 Use by Non-registered Organizations. A students' association, a registered student, faculty, or staff organization, or an alumni association may not reserve or use facilities owned or controlled by the U. T. System or any of the institutions for the purpose of engaging in any project or program with any association, organization, or corporation, or with any individual or group of individuals that are not registered.

Sec. 3 Permissible Activity. In compliance with reasonable and nondiscriminatory regulations of the U. T. System or any of the institutions, students, faculty, or staff or their registered or non-registered organizations, may petition, post signs, distribute literature, set up tables and exhibits, or peacefully demonstrate on property owned or controlled by the U. T. System or any of the institutions, provided that the posting of signs and the setting up of tables and exhibits may require prior authorization.

Sec. 4 Impermissible Activity. No person, including a student or employee of an institution, shall distribute any petition, handbill, object, or piece of literature; post or carry any sign, placard, or banner; or engage in speech or conduct on property or in buildings or facilities owned or controlled by the U. T. System or any of the institutions if it is obscene, libelous, or directed to inciting or producing imminent lawless action and is likely to incite or produce such action.

**3. Definitions**

Student Registered Organization – an organization that complies with the registration procedures set by the chief student affairs officer.

**4. Relevant Federal and State Statutes**

*Texas Education Code* [Section 51.202](#) – Rules and Regulations; Penalty

**5. Relevant System Policies, Procedures, and Forms**

Regents' *Rules and Regulations*, [Rule 80103](#) – Solicitation

**6. Who Should Know**

Faculty  
Staff  
Students  
Administrators

**7. System Administration Office(s) Responsible for Rule**

Office of Academic Affairs  
Office of Health Affairs

**8. Dates Approved or Amended**

December 10, 2004

**9. Contact Information**

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