LUDLOW HOUSING AUTHORITY

CANDLE POLICY

Adopted by the Board of Commissioners

Date: October 25, 2022

This Candle Policy is being issued by the Ludlow Housing Authority (LHA) in an effort to promote a safer and less stressful living environment.

No candles consisting of scented or unscented wax with a wick in the center poured into any type of container shall be used in the LHA by any tenant or guest. This policy also applies to oil lamps as well as any item used for the same purpose and having to be lit by matches or a lighter which produces a flame to light a wick. Any open fire candles, oil lamps, etc. are prohibited for use in the LHA apartments.

Candles which are battery-operated by a switch on the underside of the container, and which produce a low light which flickers as a candle and are made to have the same appearance as a candle may be used. When the switch is activated, an LED is lit and the resultant light appears to be a flame which gives a low amount of light.

The use of live candles is a fire hazard which can endanger the lives of everyone in the building in which it is being used. There is a danger of the operator lighting the candle, falling asleep and thereby not able to observe spreading flames; or leaving the room for other activities, or going out and forgetting to extinguish the candle. All of these scenarios as well as others are possible fire hazards and are not allowed in the LHA.

Anyone in violation of this policy is subject to cease and desist orders and/or termination of his/her lease up to and including eviction.

This Candle Policy is signed and executed this 25th day of October, 2022 by the Board of Commissioners:	
Susan Stanek, Chairperson	David Sepanek, Co Chairperson
Audrey M. Polmanteen Audrey Polmanteer, Treasurer	Raymond Anderson, Tenant Commissioner
Jon Balduin, Commissioner	Robin Carvide, Secretary