



PHI GAMMA DELTA

BUILDING COURAGEOUS LEADERS

FIJI ISLAND RULES

Many chapters hold Fiji Island events throughout the year. While these can be fun events, they require careful planning and attention to risk management procedures. Whether your event is held on or off of chapter property, the Fraternity requires that all chapters and colonies to comply with these guidelines:

ELIMINATE OPPORTUNITIES FOR INJURY

- The construction or use of pools, ponds, slides, Slip 'N Slides or other water features is prohibited! The risk associated with pools and other water features is not a remote possibility. In both 2009 and 2010 serious injuries occurred where two chapters had constructed such items.
- The building of towers, platforms, rope bridges and other construction is prohibited! This is not an all-inclusive list. Anything that the chapter builds or prepares on which people may sit, climb, swing or walk may present a potential for injury, and the chapter could be liable for the injury.
- Transportation: Use a professional transportation company (buses, taxies, etc) for transportation to and from your event. We do not recommend using brothers or pledges personal vehicles or rented vehicles operated by members. Do not let your brothers or guests drive intoxicated!
- Limit bamboo and straw: These items are very flammable and could be potential fire hazards, especially when combined with lit torches.
- Follow all risk management guidelines: If you are serving alcohol at your event, follow all third-party vendor and/or BYOB guidelines. Use a guest list!

ELIMINATE PUBLIC RELATIONS PROBLEMS

- Fiji Man: This caricature is offensive to many African Americans and others. We have heard this from numerous people and the reason is obvious. It does not represent a favorable image for Phi Gamma Delta.
- Blacking up or purpling up: The Fraternity's policy on this is over thirty years old. It is forbidden! It is offensive to many minorities, and, like the Fiji Man, it is insensitive to others.
- Theft: Do not steal decorations such as flowers, bamboo, wood, etc.
- Noise: The chapter should contact all neighbors prior to the event and tell them to contact the chapter president if noise becomes a problem.
- Leftover trash and litter: Be sure to organize a chapter clean up immediately after the event.

Some brothers will feel that implementation of these guidelines will mean the end of their fun. This is not the case. Taking these precautions will ensure a safe and fun environment for brothers and guests. Using common sense in planning and conducting these events will mean a good time for all and a successful Fiji Island. Please note that THESE RULES STAND FOR ALL FIJI ISLANDS, WHETHER HELD ON OR OFF CHAPTER PROPERTY.

Be safe and have fun!