

Household Appliances in the Workplace

The goal of the Household Appliances in the Workplace Policy is to ensure safe electrical infrastructures in all Town buildings. The main focus is to prevent overloading the systems, preventing a failure of circuit breakers and most importantly, to prevent fire in the workplace.

Using electrical appliances not designed for commercial use can cause potential safety hazards, business interruptions, and damage to office equipment or property. Prevention of fire and safety hazards is everyone's duty and employees need to remove all non-compliance items from the workplace.

These appliances include, but are not limited to:

- space heaters
- fans
- coffee makers
- coffee warmers
- hot water pots
- toasters
- toaster ovens
- crock-pots
- refrigerators
- microwaves

These household appliance guidelines support the Town of Berlin's position of providing a safe work environment for all employees in our Town buildings and schools. Please refrain from bringing personal household appliances to work. Please refrain from using any item not provided or approved by Facilities or Administration.

Safety is the responsibility of all staff, everyone can help to keep our schools and workplace environment safe. If you are in doubt about the safety of any item in the workplace, please contact Facilities. We appreciate your partnership.