



# ROOMMATE AGREEMENT

We all have different lifestyles, and to successfully live together it requires all roommates to make some accommodations. Communication is the key in any relationship – with family, friends, or a roommate. This agreement will help you determine some basic courtesies and rules for equally sharing the room. It is the starting point in what we hope will be a successful year for you.

## I. Roommate Rights

The basic rights of a roommate include:

- To equally share the space (physical space, time in the room/apartment, etc.)
- To be treated with respect at all times
- To live in a clean and healthy environment
- To have personal privacy and personal belongings respected
- To be free of intimidation, physical, and/or emotional harm
- To speak out openly on ideas, opinions, and grievances

## II. When We are in the Room

This activity is designed to help define what activities can be done during typical quiet times. Please mark a box with OK if you are OK with that activity occurring during sleep/studying. Leave blank if you do not want that activity occurring during sleep/studying.

You can...	Name:		Name:	
	When I am...		When I am...	
	Sleeping	Studying	Sleeping	Studying
Play video games				
Watch TV/ Be on the computer				
Listen to music				
Have a visitor over				
Talk/video chat on the phone				

- We will lock the door:
- whenever we are in our room/apartment.
  - whenever we are not in our room/apartment.
  - whenever we leave the floor.
  - whenever we are sleeping.

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We will lock the bathroom door:
- whenever we are in our room.
  - whenever we are not in our room.
  - whenever we leave the floor.
  - whenever we are sleeping.

## III. Visitors

This activity is designed to help define when and what types of individuals can visit and rules they must follow in the room. Please mark a box with OK if you are OK with the action. Leave blank if you are not. Share your reasoning with your roommate.

Visitors will be:	Name:		Name:	
	Sunday – Thursday	Friday – Saturday	Sunday – Thursday	Friday – Saturday
Not allowed				
Allowed until _____ am/pm				
Allowed at any time				
Same gender only				
Any gender				
Can use my bed/couch/desk (clarify)				

Visitors are welcome to use the following items...

Visitors may not use the following items...

Discuss what you consider to be appropriate visitor interactions when you are in the room/apartment and when you are gone. Include having friends over, significant others, partner relations, etc.

#### IV. Personal Belongings

This activity is designed to help roommates define which belongings they are comfortable sharing. For each item listed, choose YES, NO, or ASK. Share your answers and discuss your reasoning. Add your own items at the end.

ITEM:	Name:			Name:			ITEM:	Name:			Name:		
	YES	NO	ASK	YES	NO	ASK		YES	NO	ASK	YES	NO	ASK
Speakers							Cooking utensils/dishes						
TV/DVD/Blue Ray							Books						
Gaming system							School supplies						
Video games, movies							Bed (self or guests)						
Computer, tablet							Personal furniture						
Phone							Mail						
Refrigerator							Athletic equipment						
Hair dryer, etc.							Cosmetics						
Clothes							Toiletries						
Food							Cleaning Supplies						
Microwave													

#### V. Cleaning the Room/Apartment

How frequently should the following be done?

Vacuum \_\_\_\_\_ Dust \_\_\_\_\_ Windows \_\_\_\_\_ Garbage \_\_\_\_\_  
 Recycling \_\_\_\_\_ Disinfecting \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Cleaning tasks that rotate (who, what, when): \_\_\_\_\_

Cleaning tasks an individual is always responsible for (who, what): \_\_\_\_\_

#### VI. Other things we should set guidelines about are...

##### FALL SEMESTER:

Our signatures indicate that we have discussed the information on this sheet. It further indicates that we agree to follow these guidelines set forth to the best of our abilities. We understand housing staff is available to help mediate conflicts and will utilize this agreement as a tool to aid in that process. We are encouraged to keep a copy of this agreement for our records.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

##### SPRING SEMESTER:

Our signatures indicate that we have reviewed and discussed the information on this sheet. We have made any necessary changes. It further indicates that we agree that these guidelines are still applicable. We understand housing staff is available to help mediate conflicts and will utilize this agreement as a tool to aid in that process.

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Signature

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Date

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Date