

# ROOMMATE AGREEMENT

## Sharing of Personal Property—Check the box that applies

*This agreement between roommates is to insure that each individual's rights are respected and roommates have discussed their expectations of each other and of the room they share. The questions listed below are provided to help aid you in the discussion process. Your RA will guide you through this process and assist in resolving any conflicts during the year. This agreement should be reviewed periodically throughout the year if problems arise or if adjustments need to be made.*

### Basic rights of a roommate include:

- The *right* to live in a clean environment.
- The *right* to personal privacy.
- The *right* to sleep with as little disturbance as possible.
- The *right* to have your personal belongings respected.
- The *right* to free access to your room and facilities without interference.
- The *right* to have guests, providing they respect the rights of the roommate and other hall residents.
- The *right* to be free of intimidation, physical and/or emotional harm.
- The *right* to seek reasonable cooperation from your roommate.
- The *right* to speak out openly and constructively on ideas, opinions and grievances.

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CDs/Video Games							
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## Lifestyle—Circle the item that best describes your lifestyle.

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<b>I prefer to keep my surroundings:</b> [very neat] [mostly neat] [fairly messy] [messy] [does not matter]	<b>I prefer to keep my surroundings:</b> [very neat] [mostly neat] [fairly messy] [messy] [does not matter]
<b>I like to study with music playing or the TV on:</b> [most of the time] [some of the time] [never]	<b>I like to study with music playing or the TV on:</b> [most of the time] [some of the time] [never]
<b>I would describe myself as:</b> [Outgoing] [Occasionally Socialize] [Keep to myself]	<b>I would describe myself as:</b> [Outgoing] [Occasionally Socialize] [Keep to myself]

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**Discussion—your RA will guide you through the following topics and write your agreements below.**

**Compromise:** How will you handle or compromise on any differences noted in the Sharing or Lifestyle sections above?

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**Music Preferences:** What types of music do you typically listen to? Do you prefer to listen to music in the room? Between what times of day is it appropriate for music to be played? What maximum volume is acceptable

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**Personal Space/Private Time:** When do you prefer to be alone in your room? When will visitors not be allowed? Any limitations? Physical intimacy in the room?

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**Room Cleanliness/Issues:** How do you define neat/clean? What cleaning would you like done and when (sweeping, dusting, emptying trash, recycling, making bed, picking/straightening up, etc.)? Who will be responsible for cleaning common spaces (kitchen, living room, bathroom)? How often will these be cleaned? Do you want to write a cleaning schedule? What temperature do you like the room to be?

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**Study Time:** Do you study in the room or elsewhere? Are guests allowed while studying? What time of day do you prefer to study?

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**Tobacco and/or alcohol use.** The majority of University Housing facilities are smoke-free. How will this affect your personal habits? Do you use at all? What are your views on usage?

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*Please read the entire visitation policy carefully:*

1. All guests must be registered at the area office
2. Hosts may have overnight guests for up to 15 nights per semester with the prior approval of roommates/suitemate(s). If a resident hosts two guests over the course of one night, this will count as two overnight visits.
3. Hosts may have a maximum of two overnight guests at a time.

4. Hosts may have an overnight guest for a maximum of three consecutive nights.

5. Overnight guests will be registered at the Area Office by 10:00 PM or in the event that the office is closed, with the RA on Duty.

**Visitation:** What are the responsibilities of the host when having guests over? During what hours will guests (both same and opposite gender) be allowed to visit? How often? How many guests at a time? Are overnight (same gender) guests ok? Which nights? May guests use your belongings or sit/sleep in your bed? How much advance notice do you need before guests are invited?

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**Weekends:** Do you stay up late? Sleep in late? Go out a lot? Plan to go home or out of town a lot? Have weekend visitors frequently? What do you expect from weekend times in the room? Should roommates inform each other when planning on being away for long periods of time?

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**Problem Solving & Communication:** How will you communicate to each other if there are issues or concerns? Write notes? Have a conversation? What time/space considerations do you need when you are upset about issues?

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**Miscellaneous:** What habits or pet peeves do you want to discuss? How will you show respect for each other's values and priorities? Do you plan to be involved in campus or other organizations? If so, will it affect your roommate? How important is eating healthy and exercise to you? Do you plan to have/not have/cook certain types of foods in the room?

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*We fully understand this agreement and agree that if any changes and/or problems arise throughout the year, these matters will be brought directly to the attention of our RA. We agree to act in accordance with this agreement and understand that failure to do so may result in disciplinary action. We acknowledge that we are responsible for ensuring the success of our residence hall experience.*

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Suitemate #1 Signature

Date

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Suitemate #2 Signature

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Suitemate #3 Signature

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Suitemate #4 Signature

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