

This is a legally binding document with Valdosta State University ("University"). When this contract is executed, it becomes a binding agreement – a contract between the student ("Resident") and (parent/ guardian/ guarantor if the student is under the age of 18) and the University. This means that signing this contract commits you to paying for a room in University Housing for the entire contract period, regardless of available financial aid or enrollment status. The cancellation of this contract will result in an applicable fee assessment, which will be billed in accordance with Section VI

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Only students accepted to Valdosta State University are eligible to live in University Housing, and students must be officially admitted to the University before completing the Housing application process. Acceptance of this Contract is not a commitment of admission to the University and any Housing assignment inadvertently made to someone who has not been admitted to the University for the involved academic term shall be null and void. Residency in University Housing requires at least part-time student status (at least 6 credit hours) in online or face-to-face courses at Valdosta State as defined by the University's Registrar's Office. Students will not be permitted to maintain occupancy in University Housing during academic sessions without being enrolled. The only exception is summer semester enrollment is not required for students assigned to the Centennial 11.5-month apartment facility and contracted with University Housing for the following Fall semester.

While every effort is made to ensure adequate maintenance and security, Valdosta State University, its officers, employees and agents do not assume any legal obligation to pay for injury to persons (including death), or loss of or damage to items of personal property due to flood, fire, natural disaster, theft, or any other reason, which occurs in its buildings or on its grounds, prior to, during, or subsequent to the term of this Contract.

Upon e-signing this contract, the Resident understands, agrees and accepts that Valdosta State University Housing strongly encourages the Student to have renter's or homeowner's coverage for personal property and damage liability, and that Valdosta State University its officers, employees or agents do not assume any legal obligation for injury to persons, or loss of or damage to items of personal property and that Student is liable for any unintentional or deliberate damage caused to the housing facility or premises by themselves or their quests.

## I. TERM OF CONTRACT

A. This Contract is binding when executed by the Resident (parent/ guardian/ guarantor if the student is under the age of 18) on the date electronically signed or submitted online). The Contract obligates Resident for the entire Fall and Spring academic year or the portion of the academic year remaining after Resident moves into the Residence Facility (the "Term").

- B. <u>Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment:</u> In performance of this Contract, and consistent with the University's Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy, the University shall not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex (including sexual harassment and pregnancy), sexual orientation, gender identity, ethnicity or national origin, religion, age, genetic information, disability or veteran status. Valdosta State University will provide Resident with a space in the Residence Facility for his/her occupancy as a residence.
- C. <u>Conditions of Occupancy.</u> University housing facility occupancy depends on the exhibition of behavior compatible with maintenance of order and property. Additionally, the following requirements must be met:
  - 1. The University cannot make a housing assignment until the student is fully admitted to the University and the housing application, fee, and deposit are received.
  - 2. The student must be enrolled for a minimum part-time status (at least 6 credit hours) in online or face-to-face courses as defined by the University Registrar's office.

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emotional support animals can be found on the University Housing website. Emotional Support Animals are limited to a Resident's room and are not permitted in communal spaces, public residential spaces, and inside other facilities on the University campus.

## I. <u>Entering a Resident Room</u>:

- 1. <u>Keys and Access Cards:</u> The Resident is issued access to their assigned building, room/suite/apartment through the VSU ID card and key. The Key remains property of University Housing intended for the Resident's use only and should not be duplicated or loaned to another Resident or non-Resident. Residents that lose or do not return keys upon separation from Housing are subject to replacement costs including the full replacement of locks and keys for all Residents impacted.
- Right to Enter: The University reserves the right for staff, personnel, agents, and/or contractors to enter Resident's room for purposes of verifying occupancy, housing and university policy enforcement, maintenance, improvements, inventory control, sanitation, pest control, safety, fire protection, evaluation of conditions potentially affecting the health or safety of occupants of the Residence Facility, responding to epidemic or emergency conditions, to reclaim University property, and for any other purpose allowed by University policy. Furthermore, Valdosta State University reserves the right to provide law enforcement officers with access to the Resident's room to conduct a valid search or serve an arrest warrant. The University reserves the right to remove and hold in storage any items deemed hazardous to the building or its occupants (i.e. explosives, firearms, alcohol deemed illegal, chemicals, open flame burning items, hunting bows, weapons, etc.). Health, fire, and safety inspections will occur periodically. Resident is not required to be present at the time of maintenance, inspection, or other entries described in this Contract.
- J. <u>Check-Out Requirements:</u> Resident must meet the following check-out requirements to avoid incurring daily room charges and improper check-out fine:
  - 1. (i) Resident has moved all personal property from the Residence Facility;
  - 2. (ii) Resident's assigned space has been cleaned and trash removed by Resident; and
  - 3. (iii) the proper check-out records, keys, and access card(s) have been returned to authorized University Housing staff.
- K. Personal Property:

- 1. Should a shared space in a Resident's assigned room/suite/apartment become vacant, the space may be professionally cleaned and sanitized by University Housing contractors to prepare for a new Resident. If the current Resident(s) fails to maintain this cleaned condition prior to the new Resident moving in, the current Resident(s) will pay an excess cleaning charge for all bedroom spaces, bathrooms, and in-suite/apartment shared living spaces up to \$200 per occurrence.
- C. <u>Maintenance:</u> The resident is responsible for the care and condition of the assigned space. The resident is expected to submit a work order for any routine maintenance and repair needs. The Resident is expected to contact University Housing officials immediately if maintenance needs are an emergency by having immediate compounding impact on the residential facility (i.e. leaks, floods, fire, impact on Resident safety). The Resident shall be liable for increased repair costs due to failure to report conditions in need of repair.
- D. <u>Damages:</u> The resident is responsible for using all University property in a safe, responsible manner and shall be responsible for damages to, and/or repair and replacement of, University property within their room/suite/apartment except for damage and loss from ordinary wear and tear.

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Contract by such a person will be attributed to the Resident and will be grounds for cancellation of this Contract by University on behalf of Valdosta State University, as well as grounds for discipline of Resident by University through its disciplinary process. Additional policies regarding guests and visitation may be set for Residents in each residential facility, hall/floor, or even room.

- H. <u>Mail Post Office Box:</u> Each Resident will be assigned a campus PO Box.
- I. <u>Sales, Solicitation, and Services:</u> Sales, Solicitations and Services in any form within the Residence Facility are prohibited unless specifically authorized in writing by University's Director of Housing or his/her designee. Resident will not allow any person to conduct sales, demonstrations, or presentations of any product or dispense any services in Resident's assigned space or in the Residence Facility without the prior written permission of University's Director of Housing or his/her designee.
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- A. <u>Application Fee and Deposit:</u> A nonrefundable Housing Application Fee and a \$150 Deposit must be submitted to complete this application and accept the terms of this agreement to live on campus. The \$100 non-refundable application payment is a one-time fee, cannot be applied to the payment of room charges, and cannot be transferred to another resident. Students who are re-applying for university housing, have previously lived on campus, and the deposit has not been returned are not required to pay a new application fee or deposit. Students re-applying for University Housing, have lived on campus, and whose deposit has been returned will be required to pay a new application fee and/or deposit. Responsibility to show proof of payment of the application fee rests with the resident.
- B. Housing Fee Payment: Resident agrees to pay Vy (Vi)i(i)5.1Tc 0 Tw 5.566 0 Td(3.9 (y (B (e)9 (ecte3f73-3.1 (e) (e)9 ()8.8 (

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