Off Campus Housing Office

Move-In Checklist Brochure

Welcome Section

Welcome to your new home! Use this checklist to ensure that everything is in order before you move in. If you have any concerns, discuss them with your landlord and make sure any agreements are documented.

Kitchen

Checklist:

- Are the appliances clean and working properly?
- Good water pressure (hot & cold)?
- o Freezer large enough?
- o Adequate counter/shelf space?
- o The sink drains properly and does not leak?

Bathroom

Checklist:

- Good water pressure (hot & cold)?
- Does the shower/tub/sink/toilet work properly?
- Adequate ventilation (fan or window)?
- o The floor appears watertight?
- Leaking pipes under the sink?
- Sufficient electrical outlets?

Living Areas, Bedrooms

Checklist:

- Sufficient electrical outlets?
- Carpeting/floors are clean?
- o Furnishings undamaged and clean?
- o Adequate closet space?
- o Walls solid, paint/wallpaper intact?

Wiring

Checklist:

- For each room, 2 separate outlets or 1 outlet and overhead light fixture?
- o Electric light fixtures in storage and hallways?
- o No temporary wiring/wiring passed under rugs/through doorways?
- o Internet access installed?

Heat

Checklist:

- Oil, gas, or electricity? _
- o Who pays for it and how much?

Fire Safety

Checklist:

- o Smoke detectors (with working batteries) in every room/hallway?
- o Two exits per unit (no blocked exits)?
- o Adequate and accessible fire escape?

Transportation

Checklist:

- o Driveway parking?
- o Garage?

Structural Maintenance

Checklist:

- Foundations: Water-tight, rodent-proof, in good repair?
- Floors: Free of holes, cracks, or bulges?
- o Walls: In good repair?
- o Ceilings: In good repair (look for water stains to identify leaks)?
- Doors and windows: Water-tight, no drafts?
- Stairways: Stable with handrail?
- o Porch: Railing is over 3ft. from ground?

Concerns or Complaints

Discuss questions or concerns about an apartment's condition with the landlord before signing a lease. If repairs are needed, write agreement into lease, e.g., "Landlord will fix leaky sink before move-in date." Sign and date. After you move in complaints about unresponsive landlords should be made to the local Board of Health.

Offered by Off Campus Housing as a resource for Students moving into an apartment or house near Campus. Questions feel free to contact 508-688-2736

Residential Address:		
Name of Landowner/property manage	ger/Lessor	
Tenant name/ Lessee		
Owner Signature	Tenant Signature	Date

