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House Rules/Guidelines

This is just a listing of some rules that are useful to living together.

- **No drugs, that's just the law.** I don't consider pot to be a big deal as long as it's not a staple to your life. **TWEEKERS are absolutely NOT ALLOWED in the HOUSE, NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- **Rent is due on the 1st of the month.** I have to pay the rent on the 1st, and cannot subsidize someone's rent, under any circumstances.
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- **Rent.** Rent is due for me on the 1st. I have to write a check and deliver it for payment. So if rent is going to be late let me know. If you are expecting to just live here for nothing as a bum, don't bother, I've had enough of the losers.
- **Cable/Internet.** There is basic cable and cable internet in the apartment. I do not have a wireless internet router, but that can be connected.
 - **Email Address:** You need to maintain an email address.
 - **Webspace:** I don't provide that to roommates.
- **Food/Groceries** You are responsible for purchasing your own food. On occasion I will pool money with you to purchase groceries, but that will be something that we can discuss.
- **Smoking:** I am a smoker, smoking in the apartment is not done.
- **Pets:** I do have two cats, Misty and Stitch. No other pets in the apartment. Absolutely NO DOGS, sorry, rules of the building.
- **Parking.** There is one parking spot for the apartment and that is my parking spot, period. You can get a parking sticker from the city for parking and a guest parking pass. The area is zoned for parking, and it's a good deal to get the sticker for your car because parking tickets cost \$47+ in the area.
- **Guests/Tricks/Boyfriends:** I don't care if you have guests, friends over and such. I live here though, and I don't vacate my home to please a guest, friend etc. Just doesn't happen. I do not need to involve myself in your interaction with a friend/guest/trick etc. however one thing that is very important to remember:

YOU ARE ABSOLUTELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ACTIONS OF YOUR GUESTS.

YOUR GUESTS are YOUR GUESTS, but I will absolutely, under any circumstances take any physical, verbal, or emotional abuse from anyone (guest, trick, boyfriend, or roommate) in this house .

IF your GUEST or GUEST of YOUR GUESTS steal something from the apartment YOU are responsible for replacing it.

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- **Boys/Men/Etc:** I will boot out a boy that goes after you in the house if they are supposed to be dating me. And I will not engage in the reverse situation. I believe that boys should be able to act like adults, and if they can't at least the people I live with should.
- **Friends, Ex-Tricks, etc.:** I don't play sides in other's relationships. If you happen to start dating a friend of mine and that fails, I'm not going to drop my friend because the two of you can't get along.
- **Extended Visits/Strays:** I live with you, not you and boyfriend/extended trick/lover.
- **Flop House:** This is not a flop house for those stray friends that "don't have a place to stay", "are between places", or whatever excuse.

- **SEX:** Is not part of the rental agreement in any way, period.

- **Sexuality:** If you choose to live with me you need to understand that I have been living out of the closet since 1981. I do not hide the fact that I'm gay to anyone. If living with a gay man will be a problem, then this is not the house you need to live in.
 - **As a gay man, I choose NOT to live with someone who is straight.** The games, stupidity, and lousy perfume associated with it, just isn't worth my time.
 - **Straight Acting/Acting Straight/Down Low:** Forget it doesn't thrill me, interest me, impress me in any way. If you are going to be gay, fine, then be gay, but concentrate on being yourself.
 - **Changing:** I have no desire, thoughts, or want to change the way I live my life as a gay man.
 - **Religion:** My being gay does not in any way relate to any religion. I'm not a religious person. I will respect any religion you are as long as you can keep a sense of humor about it. Please don't expect me to convert to some religion it's just not going to happen. And I don't expect you to convert to my way of thinking.
 - **Drag:** If you cross dress, do drag, let me know ahead of time. I've been around drag queens before, and it's not a big thing either way to me. As long as whatever cologne or perfume you use does not arrive 10 minutes before you do, or stay for a week after you leave. And it would be nice not to have to be attacked by women's underwear when I'm in the bathroom.

- **Bathroom:** There is **ONE** bathroom in the apartment. So consideration when using, cleaning, and use of is a good thing.

- **Cleaning:** I'm not a maid, mine or anyone's.
 - Try not to leave the kitchen and bathroom dirty after you use it.
 - Keeping the house clean is helpful. I try to clean up the house regularly, at least once a week for the bathroom, living room and such.

- **Noise:** From 10 PM to 8 AM is the designated quiet time for the entire building.
 - We have neighbors.
 - The walls are not paper thin, but they are definitely NOT sound proof.
 - We, me, or the landlord will NOT ask anyone else in the apartment building to change their life to suit your silence needs.
 - If you have trouble sleeping and are a light sleeper, the only suggestion I have for you when it comes to noise is EARPLUGS.

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- **Hours:** My hours vary quite a bit, from working all day long, to working around the clock while at home. If I am working on a project around the clock, I am fully aware that people may be sleeping, so I am quiet.
 - TWEEKER hours are absolutely NOT acceptable. If you sleep all day, and then have all your friends over at all hours of the night, that is not going to work.
 - This is not an after hours club.
- **Phone:** I have a house phone, basically because there are times that I need to talk to people for hours at a time on the phone when working with them.
 - The phone is not used for long distance calls.
 - You are responsible for your own phone.
 - My phone number can be given out as a contact number, but you need to let them know that I am not a secretary, that I won't chase you down, tell you everything that they said and stuff.
 - The phone is there for my convenience, not for the convenience of anyone else in and especially outside of the house.
 - If someone calls or contacts me about you, unless they have a warrant, will get no information from me, unless you have told me ahead of time to give them specific information.
- **Rooms:** You are paying rent here to rent the bedroom. You are not paying rent here to have access to everything thing that is in the apartment.
- **The living room, kitchen, bathroom, hallway are common areas, but are not subject to redecoration or rearranging without first discussing it with me.** If you have furniture, or wish to buy furniture that is fine, but remember that I do have cats and they do shed, it's the one thing that I can count on with my cats.
- **The Kitchen:** The kitchen cabinets are NOT to be rearranged. All the dishes, pans, silverware, etc. is there for your use, but please don't abuse that. If you dirty all the dishes, then consider doing dishes. NOTE: If I am doing dishes, I will check for dirty dishes around the house. In the past roommates have stored dirty dishes in their bedrooms for countless days, and unfortunately that is NOT acceptable. I do not do room service, but if you are going to store dishes in there, just know that I will go get them when I'm ready to do dishes so they are done. I'm still trying to locate silverware from the last insane roommate.
 - If you drink the last of the milk, go get some more.
 - If you empty the coffee pot, make another pot. If it's cold, big deal, there's a microwave and coffee sure as hell isn't that delicate.
 - If you use up all of something of mine, you best think about replacing it, because if I go to use it and it's all gone, "Oh, it was really good, isn't going to earn you any brownie points".
- **The Bathroom:** The bathroom should be as clean as we can keep it. Just some common little rules:
 - Don't leave the sink filled with shaving crap, or crude. It only takes a second to rinse it out when you are done.
 - Before you shower, while you are warming up the water and adjusting it, you can turn on the shower and use the wand to rinse the walls, side and tub out.

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- Right after your shower, before you turn off the shower wand, just rinse the walls, curtain, and tub down and it will be easier to keep clean that way.
- Pissing on the toilet seat all the time is not a good thing.
- Leaving crap all over the toilet seat is not a good thing.
- Pissing all over the floor is not a good thing.
- Using an entire roll of toilet paper every time you use the bathroom is not a good thing. If you do, you must do something very unique and fill the toilet dispenser. Also, if you are one of those toilet paper munchers then consider buying toilet paper.
- If you plug the toilet make sure that the republican has completely cleared the exit before you leave.
- I try to keep air spray in the bathroom, please save a life, use it if necessary.
- You must provide your own shower soap and shampoo.
- **I do NOT share personal grooming tools. That includes toothbrushes, shavers, scubbies, etc.**
- If you are going to use up all of MY personal things in the bathroom, at least have the decency to buy some more instead of just letting me find out that I don't have any when I need it.

What you can expect from me.

- **Your room is your room.** I do not allow people into your room, and I do not enter your room without your permission. I believe strongly that you have the right to privacy and that you should have a place that is yours since you are paying rent.

I am usually a pretty laid back person to live with, I don't meddle in your affairs, but I also don't want to just live with someone that is going to be a stranger or some rude boarder. I tend to let people live their own lives, learn their own lessons, and if they want to talk about it they can. The only time that I get upset is when the problems that YOU are having become MY problem. I don't need anyone else's life problems negatively affecting my life.