

HOUSING RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1 RIGHT**
To have safe and functioning furniture and facilities.
- RESPONSIBILITY**
To treat your apartment with respect and avoid any undue wear and tear. Notify housing@mcad.edu to request maintenance repairs. You will be responsible for any damages from unreported issues.
- 2 RIGHT**
To live in a clean and healthy apartment.
- RESPONSIBILITY**
To keep your apartment clean, removing garbage and recycling, and reporting necessary repairs. To plan with your roommate(s) about cleaning chores. See “*Maintenance*” in the Housing Handbook and what is agreed to in your Roommate Agreement.
- Dirty apartments cause pests. Any pest issues must be reported to housing@mcad.edu.
- 3 RIGHT**
To study in the apartment free of interference, unreasonable noise, and other distractions.
- RESPONSIBILITY**
To observe building quiet hours and be mindful of your roommate’s needs. See “*Quiet Hours*” in the Housing Handbook.
- 4 RIGHT**
To live with roommates who are respectful interpersonally and respectful of personal property.
- RESPONSIBILITY**
To set clear guidelines as to personal property and shared resources, including food. This includes food, clothing, and supplies. To keep your personal belongings in order, and not store them in common areas. To follow what is agreed to in your Roommate Agreement.
- 5 RIGHT**
To have access to one’s room and facilities without pressure from roommate(s).
- RESPONSIBILITY**
To approach cohabitation with fairness and respect because everyone deserves equal access to a comfortable living situation.
- 6 RIGHT**
To be able to sleep, rest, and have private time without undue disturbances.
- RESPONSIBILITY**
To be respectful of the needs of your roommates and follow what is agreed to in your Roommate Agreement.
- 7 RIGHT**
To host a guest in an MCAD residence while following the rights of all roommates and MCAD policies.
- RESPONSIBILITY**
To be aware of the guest policy in the Housing Handbook and follow what is agreed to in your Roommate Agreement.
- 8 RIGHT**
To have grievances discussed and conflicts resolved within the roommate group. To ask for help from Resident Assistants when resolution or compromise cannot be reached.
- RESPONSIBILITY**
To remember that everyone comes to MCAD with different experiences and backgrounds. To listen to others and stay focused on the issue without making it personal. (Open communication is key.) To follow your Roommate Agreement.
- 9 RIGHT**
To use shared spaces and items without discrimination or harassment.
- RESPONSIBILITY**
To be mindful of the needs of your roommates within shared spaces. To follow your Roommate Agreement.
- 10 RIGHT**
To expect each roommate to clean up, declutter, and be thoughtful of others in all shared/community spaces in the apartment.
- RESPONSIBILITY**
To keep your personal property in order. To respect shared items and spaces. To follow your Roommate Agreement.
- 11 RIGHT**
To be free of physical, emotional, racial and sexual intimidation, and all forms of prejudicial harassment.
- RESPONSIBILITY**
To approach interactions with maturity and generosity. To acknowledge the differences and diversity within the MCAD population and be open to new experiences. See “*Disorderly Conduct on Campus*” in the Student Handbook.