Fall 2020 Housing Acknowledgement Form

Addendum to University of Cincinnati Housing Agreement Terms & Conditions

By proceeding, you are acknowledging and agreeing to the following as an Addendum to the University of Cincinnati 2020-2021 Housing Agreement:

When the University of Cincinnati (“University”) begins to offer student housing for the 2020-2021 academic year, it will be implementing measures in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, which may impact housing accommodations and options. I understand that due to the nature of the COVID-19 pandemic, it may be necessary for the University to issue further rules and/or implement additional measures to change, modify, or alter its response to the COVID-19 pandemic, which may further impact my housing accommodations and options.

I have considered my own personal health status and the increased risk factors inherent with community living, including the risk of exposure or infection by COVID-19, and where appropriate, have consulted with a medical professional before deciding to live in University housing. By choosing to contract with the University for University provided student housing, I understand and agree that the University may implement additional measures, at its sole discretion, that may result in changes in the manner or availability of housing, including but not limited to, reducing the population density of the residence halls, reconfiguring residence hall space, restricting certain furniture arrangements, and modifying cleaning and sanitation services. I also acknowledge that any such changes are for my personal safety and the safety of the Bearcat community.

I understand that despite all efforts on the part of the University, I can still contract COVID-19 or other infections. To reduce my risk, I agree to comply with all University rules, regulations, guidelines and policies, as well as local, state and federal guidelines, which include, but are not limited to, wearing facial coverings, maintaining social distancing, consenting to COVID-19 symptom checks, testing, self-quarantining and/or isolating as may be required by the University, and also participating, in good faith, with the University and appropriate medical professionals for contact tracing relating to potential transmission of COVID-19.

I further understand that the University may not have adequate or available facilities to provide housing for me in the event I must self-quarantine or isolate. I understand that all University policies, rules and regulations, including the Student Code of Conduct, still apply to me. I further understand and acknowledge my shared role in reducing the risks of COVID-19 for myself and others in the University Community. Current safety protocols can be found here and will be updated periodically: https://www.uc.edu/publichealth/return-to-campus/safety-protocols.html

In the event of a conflict between the above Addendum and the University of Cincinnati 2020-2021 Housing Agreement, this Addendum will apply.
ASSUMPTION OF THE RISK

I understand that my choosing to live in University provided housing may present certain known and unknown risks to my personal health, safety, and well-being and I knowingly agree to accept those risks. I acknowledge that while the University has implemented measures intended to minimize the likelihood of contracting COVID-19, I can never be fully shielded from any and all risks of illness presented by COVID-19 or other communicable diseases. I understand that even if I follow recommended safety precautions, that I may still become exposed to, infected with, or transmit COVID-19 or other communicable diseases to others.

WAIVER OF LIABILITY

TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED UNDER LAW, AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO RESIDE IN UNIVERSITY HOUSING, I, FOR MYSELF, MY HEIRS, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, DO HEREBY RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE, AND AGREE NOT TO ASSERT ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE CLAIM AGAINST THE UNIVERSITY AND ITS BOARD OF TRUSTEES, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, AND AGENTS (“RELEASEES”); I FURTHER AGREE TO RELEASE RELEASEES FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY FOR ANY HARM, INJURY, DAMAGE, CLAIMS, DEMANDS OF ANY KIND, ACTIONS, CAUSES OF ACTION, COSTS AND EXPENSES THAT I MAY HAVE OR THAT HEREAFTER MAY ACCRUE TO ME, ARISING OUT OF ANY LOSS, DAMAGE, INJURY, OR ILLNESS, INCLUDING DEATH, THAT MAY BE SUSTAINED BY ME, WHETHER CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE, MISFEASANCE, OR NONFEASANCE OF RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE WHILE ENGAGED IN ANY ACTIVITY OR PROGRAM OFFERED BY THE UNIVERSITY. I FURTHER AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS SAID PARTIES FROM ALL CLAIMS HEREAFTER MADE BY ME OR MY SPOUSE OR ON MY BEHALF BY MY PARENTS, GUARDIANS, SPOUSE, HEIRS, EXECUTORS, OR ASSIGNS.