Roommate Living Agreement

This is to be an agreement between roommates/housemates to ensure that basic needs have been discussed. After discussing these issues, write out your guidelines, rules and expectations for your room in the appropriate areas. Once this form is completed and agreed upon, sign your names and return this to your RA, who will then provide the apartment with a copy.

BREAKING THE ICE

Our main goal this year is to really focus on building a community. Really open yourself up to the resident right off the bat. Get to know their names, nicknames, hobbies/interests, where they are from, etc.

Sitting down with each house and filling out the RLA is the perfect time to do this!
1. Get to know your residents, introduce yourself – where you are from, major, your class standing, and hobbies or anything else you can think of. Build that RA-Resident relationship right off the bat.
2. Ask the resident some questions: Name, major, where they are from. Even if you know them already, their housemates might not, so have them introduce themselves and talk about themselves a little bit.
3. Talk about locking doors, at least the front doors, explain the risks, especially to the incoming freshman.
4. Townhouse people – explain the problems with the heat. Suggest using a curtain at the bottom of the steps.
5. MAKE A CLEANING SCHEDULE. At the house RLA meeting, make a rough outline of one right then and there to at least give them a foundation.
6. Ask about allergies and smoking preferences so that all of the housemates know.

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2. What is okay to share? What is not?

3. At what temperature will we keep our house/room at?

4. Do we agree to keep the front door locked/unlocked at all times?

5. Is it okay to leave guests unattended in the apartment?

6. How will we confront each other if one of us is violating a University policy or law in the room? (e.g. underage drinking, drug use)

7. Do you have any allergies or problems with smoking?

Make a cleaning schedule!
Is there anything else that was not covered that should be discussed:

We, the undersigned residents of _____________________, acknowledge that we have taken the time to discuss the above areas, and we agree to abide by what we have decided. Should conflict arise, we understand that this form will be used to facilitate a resolution among the roommates. We understand that should problems arise, we will not be granted a room change until we try to resolve our problems on our own or involving a member of the Residential Life Staff. We also understand that failure to abide by this agreement could lead to sanctions as determined by the Residential Life and Housing Office.

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