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General conditions for the accommodation of foreign students staying with a French hoste family including half board

Our host families are committed to the following:

- To welcome and lodge you in the best conditions.
- To integrate you as much as possible in the family's life.
- To assist you in the language learning process.
- To offer you a French or continental breakfast every morning.
- To offer you a complete and varied dinner (usually dinner is taken between 19.00 and 20.30)
- To supply you with bed sheets and towels and to change them every week.
- To offer you a clean and comfortable room with a window, and furnished with a work table and a wardrobe.
- To give you the keys of the flat or house.

But attention:

- Host families are not obliged to offer lunch on Saturday or Sunday unless there is a special contract. French breakfast usually includes coffee, tea or chocolate, bread or rusk with butter and jam, cornflakes... Don't hesitate to talk with your family about what you like upon arrival. Please inform your host family in advance if you won't take a meal because you are going out or for any other reason. There is no refund for meals which are not taken.
- You don't have access to the family's phone unless it is for incoming calls or urgencies. But you can buy a „prepaid phone card“ with a pin code which can be used with any telephone.
- Members of the host family are not your „servants“. You have to make your bed, to tidy your room and to turn off the light when leaving. For your laundry, there are launderettes in each area of the town and your family will give you the necessary for ironing.
- Your host family doesn't have to restrict you on food (during breakfast and dinner), showers or baths. Of course you won't abuse either as you are not the only one living at this place...

Furthermore:

- You are free to go out and to come home at any time. For students under the age of 18, the host family is committed to control if the student respect the curfew given by the parents (see „Permission to go out“ on this website). Strict French legislation for underage students obliges us to exclude any student who doesn't respect the curfew, both from the course and the host family. No refund is possible in this case.
- Be silent after 22.00 in order not to wake up your host family and to respect the neighbourhood.
- You are not allowed to bring other persons or even friends to the home of your family unless they have agreed in.
- When leaving the house, never keep the keys and the address of your host family in the same place. In case of loss or theft of the keys you will have to pay for a new lock.
- You are responsible for any damage caused by you in the flat or house. Repairs have to be paid by yourself or by your insurance company.
- If you want to extend your stay, please discuss this first with the Alpha.b administration.

Private accommodation means respect of elementary living rules. In case of violation alpha.b reserves itself the right to take necessary steps which have to be accepted by both parties. Any problem concerning your accommodation should be related immediately to the Alpha.b administration. Late complaints at the end of your stay or after your departure can't be taken into consideration. Thank you for your understanding ! Never hesitate to contact the director personally.