

## **5. RESIDENCES RULES AND REGULATIONS**

All individuals staying in the College Residence Complex are required to adhere to the Student Conduct Code, these Residences Rules and Regulations, all policies published by the Offices of Residential Services and International Student Services, and the Greek law.

Deree - The American College of Greece reserves the right to amend or supplement the Residences Rules and Regulations at any time upon such notice to residents as it deems appropriate. The Executive Director of International Student Services and the Executive Director of Residential Services are responsible for the publication of the Residences Rules and Regulations. Suggestions for amendments may be addressed to these offices.

Each resident agrees to observe all rules and regulations affecting his/her stay with the College. Residence visitors are also required to follow the College Residences Rules and Regulations.

### **Alcohol**

Deree-ACG expects residents to refrain from possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages in all areas of the Residence Complex, including outdoor common areas.

### **Balconies**

No individual is permitted to climb on balcony railings or to attempt to pass from one apartment balcony to another. Any such action is unsafe, and, therefore, strictly prohibited. In addition, residents are not to throw anything from the balconies or windows onto the grounds below. Violating this policy could lead to dismissal from the Residence Complex and Deree-ACG. Such incidents will be reported to the home institutions of study abroad students.

### **BBQ**

Barbecues or any other incendiary device are not allowed in or around the Residence Complex. Barbecue events may be held in designated barbecue areas only, and only with prior permission from the Office of Residential Services. The presence of a College staff member is required.

### **Building Entrance**

Any person entering or leaving the Residence Complex must use the main entrance door and may not use the windows, balconies or emergency exits. Emergency exits are to be used strictly in cases of emergency as directed by Residence Complex staff.

### **Check-in**

Upon check-in, an Apartment Inventory Checklist that includes a bedroom and apartment inventory should be signed and submitted to Resident Assistants (RAs).

This inventory serves as a record of the contents and the condition of the apartment and as the basis for assessing the condition of the apartment when the resident moves out.

### **Check-out**

All residents must check out with an RA. During check-out, the RAs will inspect the apartments and record any damages. The cost of any damages to the bedroom/apartment will be charged at the time of check-out. Residents are required to return the apartment key, the RA cards and plug adapters, clean their apartments and dispose of trash properly.

### **Cleaning**

Residents are responsible for maintaining a reasonable standard of cleanliness in their apartments and keeping the common areas, such as the Fitness area, Laundry area and Lobby area, clean and tidy. Residence Complex staff reserves the right to inspect apartments and common areas. If Residence Complex staff assess that the condition of the apartment does not meet the required reasonable standard of cleanliness, the responsible resident(s) will be expected to take all necessary steps towards cleaning and tidying up within 48 hours. If the resident(s) fail to meet to do so within this time-frame, the College will carry out cleaning, and the cost of this service will be covered by the resident(s).

### **Conduct**

Study Abroad/International students are expected to comply with the Deree-ACG Student Conduct Code. The document is available online and may be obtained at the Office of Student Affairs.

### **Cooking**

Residents are permitted to cook in their apartments using the utensils and cookware provided. All kitchens are equipped with a cooking-ventilation unit, placed above the stove. The cooking-ventilator should be used every time residents cook. For any questions about the proper use of the oven or microwave, residents are asked to contact the RAs. Barbeque grills or other cooking devices not provided by Deree-ACG are prohibited.

### **Damages**

Residents shall compensate Deree-ACG for any damages caused to the Residence Complex or furniture/equipment in common areas and apartments for which they are held responsible. Residents are required to report damages or normal wear-and-tear occurring during residents' stay to the RAs immediately.

Tampering with, disabling, obstructing, vandalizing, or interfering with the normal functioning of any portion of a security monitoring system or monitored door, including, but not limited to, door alarms, cameras, or card readers, is strictly prohibited.

### **Decorations**

Nails, screws, double-stick tape, or duct tape on or in the walls, ceilings, furniture, or fixtures are prohibited. White poster putty is permitted for hanging posters and other decorations.

### **Fighting\***

Any individuals engaged in a physical fight in or near any building owned or operated by Deree-ACG may be referred to a Hearing Board.

### **Fire Alarms**

Smoke detectors are located throughout the building. In the event of an alarm, all residents should exit the building. Residents must have regard to the safety of themselves and other residents and observe the Fire Regulations applicable to Residences (see Emergency Evacuation Procedures that are posted on apartment doors).

In particular, residents must not temper with any fire-fighting equipment or any other safety equipment, block sounders, prop open any fire-proof door or disengage any door closure mechanisms. Corridors, doorways, staircases and entrances must not be obstructed in any way. This includes placing items outside, around and beside doors (e.g. bins).

The use of candles or any other open flame devices is not permitted within the Residence Complex premises.

### **Fitness Center**

The Residence Complex is equipped with fitness areas. Equipment in the fitness areas is used at residents' own risk. Residents are encouraged to seek instruction regarding the proper use of the equipment from the Deree-ACG Gym staff.

### **Garbage**

Garbage should be placed into plastic bags and taken to the garbage bins outside the building. Blue garbage bins are for recyclables. Green garbage bins are for refuse. Garbage may not be left in common areas such as hallways. It is the responsibility of each resident to remove garbage and maintain a clean apartment.

### **Illegal Substances\***

The possession, sale, purchase, use, production, processing or distribution of illegal substances and paraphernalia is strictly prohibited. In addition to imposing the disciplinary sanction of expulsion from the Residence Complex, the Residence Complex staff may refer residents for prosecution.

### **Internet**

Peer-to-peer sharing, use of torrents, or any illegal downloading of media or any other materials is prohibited. Residents are expected to comply with College IT Policies.

### **Modifications to the Apartment**

No college-owned furniture or equipment may be removed from the apartment.

### **Noise and Music**

Residents and Residence Complex visitors may use musical instruments at the lobby area.

Excessive noise (e.g. speakers operated at excessive volume, playing a musical instrument during quiet hours) is prohibited and may result in sanctions. Residents are kindly asked you to use common sense on this matter.

### **Non-Discrimination\***

Any discrimination based on any ground such as sex, gender, race, color, ethnic or social origin, genetic features, language, nationality, religion or belief, political or any other opinion, membership of a national minority, property, birth, disability, age, marital status or sexual orientation is not tolerated. The College strives to maximize valuable talent and potential, and eliminate unconscious bias, prejudice and stereotyping.

All residents have the responsibility to safeguard and the right to expect a friendly and hospitable environment free of any form of harassment, discrimination and actions or behavior that interfere with the residents' privacy, study habits or sleep.

### **Personal Property and Theft**

Residents must have respect for the property and belongings of others and not use, 'borrow', take or damage any items which belong to others without the owner's permission. Deree-ACG is not responsible for any loss of an individual's personal property. Apartment doors should be kept shut at all times.

Theft, unauthorized use, destruction of, or damage to the property of others or College property is not tolerated. This includes possessing, duplicating or using keys to any College premises or services without authorization.

### **Pets**

Pets are not allowed in the Residence Complex. Deree-ACG generally allows students with disabilities to bring Service and Assistance Animals to campus to perform work or tasks related to a disability or, if shown to be necessary, to afford a student with a documented disability an equal opportunity to use and enjoy the Residence Complex.

### **Quiet Hours**

All residents must observe quiet hours regulations in the apartments, common areas, lounges, building entrances and back patio. Quiet hours are reserved for study and sleep.

Quiet hours are:

- 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. to 7:30 a.m. in the winter (October - March);
- 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. in the summer (April - September).

### **Room Entry**

Deree-ACG staff reserve the right to enter residents' rooms for maintenance repairs with prior notice, in case of emergency and if there is sufficient reason to believe that a violation of ACG policy is occurring in the room for any other reasonable purpose. Should entrance to apartments be deemed necessary, advance notice will be given if possible.

### **Apartment Keys**

Room keys are assigned to students upon checking into their room. Keys are not to be duplicated. Individuals are urged to exercise caution in safeguarding their keys. Residents must not hand over the keys to any person other than a member of Residential Services staff. Individuals who lose a key or return a key that is damaged are billed 50 Euros for a replacement.

Residents are reminded to:

- Not loan keys to anyone for any reason.
- Not mark keys with room number or any other identifiable markings.
- Never leave keys unattended.

If residents accidentally lock themselves out of their room, they should contact the RA or call one of the staff members.

### **Smoking\***

All apartments, common areas and balconies are smoke free. Should evidence of smoking be found in an apartment, a cleaning charge will be assessed against the resident. Violating the smoking policy will result in sanctions that may lead to removal from the building.

### **Unauthorized Entrance**

Entrance is prohibited to unauthorized or authorized individuals who gain access to the Residence Complex as a result of tailgating\* or the use of a propped\*\* or compromised doors. Tailgating and door propping are prohibited.

*\*The term "tailgating" is used to describe the situation where one or more people follow an authorized person through an access-controlled door when the authorized person opens the door legitimately. This can be done either with or without the authorized person's knowledge and/or consent. Tailgating to gain entry to any residential facility is prohibited. The prohibition of tailgating also applies to authorized persons who have forgotten or lost their access card.*

*\*\*The term "door propping" is used to describe the placement of any object in, near or around the apartment door or entrance door of the building in an effort to prevent the door from closing or block door closure. Door propping is prohibited.*

### **Visitation Policy Violation**

Visitation is defined as the time period within which residents' guests may visit the Residence Complex (8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.). No visitors may enter or remain in

the Residence Complex between 11:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. The Visitation Policy is applicable to all Residence Complex areas (apartments, common use areas or building entrances). No overnight guests are allowed.

Visitors must always be accompanied by their hosts/residents while in the Residence Complex. Residents not complying with the Visitation Policy will be held responsible for damages and Rules and Regulations violations attributed to their guests.

**Violating the Residences Rules and Regulations or the Deree-ACG Student Conduct Code will result in sanctions that may lead to removal from the Residence Complex.**

**Deree-ACG expects that residents comply with the Greek law. In addition to imposing disciplinary sanctions, the College may refer residents for prosecution for conduct prohibited in accordance with the Greek law, such as discrimination; assault; harassment; sexual violence/assault/harassment; theft; possession and/or use of weapons or explosives; possession, sale, purchase, use or distribution of illegal substances.**