

ROOMMATE DISCUSSION

INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL - UNIVERSITY OF HAIFA

We recommend you sit down with all of your roommates, individually or in a group, and discuss the following items in detail. We encourage you to keep notes and revisit these conversations if necessary! The Madrichim are always available to assist you with housing concerns.

NOISE

- What are your schedules? When are roommates in and out of the apartment?
- What are acceptable noise levels in the living area and in individual rooms?

CLEANING

- What chores need to be done? How often? How are they divided? Who keeps track?
- What if I don't have a chance to do my chore?
- Who is responsible for buying cleaning supplies?
- Discuss standards of cleanliness and which cleaning supplies should be used:
 - For the living areas
 - In the kitchen
 - In the shared bathrooms (Federman & Britania)

PERSONAL PROPERTY

- Which items are shared between the roommates? Do I need to ask each time I use something?
 - Food
 - Household supplies: toilet paper, paper towels/napkins, cleaning supplies, laundry supplies.
 - Kitchen supplies: dishes, pots and pans, utensils
 - Kitchen equipment: toaster oven, microwave, etc
 - Electrical equipment: TV/Video/DVD/Stereo - when may these items be used?

GUESTS

- When may guests visit?

You should always notify your roommates of anticipated guests! Remember that even if your roommates agree to host them, overnight guests must be approved in advance by the house mother.

OTHER ISSUES

- What is expected with respect to locking apartment and room doors?
- How will we communicate with each other for messages, questions, etc?
- Residents of Talia & Britania: When is the hot water heater (*dud*) turned on? Is there a timer? (Hot water is available at all times in Federman)

We recommend that you give your roommates your cell phone number and store their contact information in your phone.