



Independent Housing Agreement

I, _____, (insert name) understand that because I've chosen this option as a program participant on an Institute for Study Abroad, Butler University program the following conditions apply:

- IFSA-Butler will not provide assistance with said housing.
- My home university/college must approve my living in non-program housing. I agree to submit official permission to IFSA-Butler from my home university in writing on university letterhead.
- I will be responsible for all aspects of said housing, including signing of a lease and assumption of any related legal responsibilities; payment of rent; payment of deposits; payment of utilities, telephone, and damages incurred.
- Repairs and bills are my responsibility to negotiate with the landlord.
- For security reasons I will inform the IFSA-Butler Overseas Office in writing (e-mail is fine) of my current address and phone number in case there is a reason to reach me at my off-campus housing.
- I agree to check in (by e-mail or phone) with the IFSA-Butler Overseas Office on the first Wednesday of each month to inform them of my progress on the program.
- I agree that I will inform IFSA-Butler in writing about any special accommodations (religious, dietary, housing) needs that I require during orientation.
- I understand that failure to comply with the conditions of independent housing will make this agreement null and void. In such an event, IFSA-Butler will require me to live in program-arranged housing.

I understand and acknowledge that by choosing to live in independent housing not selected by IFSA-Butler that I am solely responsible for security of myself and my property and for my personal safety. I further acknowledge and understand that, while I choose to live in independent housing IFSA-Butler is not responsible for my personal safety nor the security of myself or my property. In consideration of IFSA-Butler's permission for me to continue in its program while living in independent housing of my own selection, I hereby release and discharge IFSA-Butler, its agents, officers and directors from liability for any injury or damages of any nature related to or which may arise from my decision to live in independent housing and my choice of independent housing.

Printed Name

Date

Signature