

## Contract for an Adult Child Living at (Last Name) Household

Between:

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*Child*

- and -

\_\_\_\_\_

*Parent(s)*

*This contract was set forth on \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (enter today's date) in order to establish terms and conditions ["house rules"] for \_\_\_\_\_ (enter child's name) while living in this household. This contract runs from this date till September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 or prior when the adult child leaves for residence at university or to another living situation. On this date the contract will be reviewed if the adult child is still in residence. In consideration of being provided with room and board, the adult child agrees to the following terms and conditions:*

**1. Room and Board Charges:** I am aware that I will not be charged for room and board as long as I comply with all of the rules below and complete all chores given to me. If I choose **not** to complete the chores that I have been given then I will pay \$800 a month to cover room and board. If I fail to pay this room and board charge then interest will be applied to the \$800 at the rate of 6% per annum, calculated monthly.

**2. Cooking, laundry and chores:** I agree to complete the following list of chores in order to help out in the household and to avoid any room and board charges. I will be responsible for taking down my laundry once a week to the laundry room. If I allow my **laundry** to pile up then I will have to wash and fold it myself. I am also responsible for my own personal space and will keep it orderly. I will be provided cooked meals as long as I help with the cooking, wash dishes and clean up after myself or others when the kitchen is in need of it. Other chores to avoid paying room/board charges include:

1. **Mowing the lawn every other week as required**
2. **Pulling weeds as required**
3. **Clearing the yard of leaves and debris once a month**
4. **Sweeping the pool and removing all the leaves once a week**
5. **Help trimming trees and bushes when need**
6. **General maintenance/painting to the exterior of the house as required and as directed**
7. **Winterizing of house and vehicles (weatherstripping house/ snow tires & winter oil change for car(s))**
8. **Shoveling/salting snow within two hours of snowfall**
9. **Maintenance of computers (updating software)**

**3. College/University:** I agree to attend my classes regularly and complete all of my school work as **stated** by the syllabus. If I fall behind in my classes or school work then I will put all of my effort into completing it. If I fail to do any of the above within a reasonable period then I may be subject to paying for room and board.

**4. Guests and quiet hours:** Household quiet hours run from 11:00 p.m. to 7 a.m., unless otherwise arranged. No overnight guests without prior arrangement.

5. **Work:** I will have a job while living in this household. I will do everything in my power to be timely and coordinate rides to my job if need be. If I happen to lose my job or am currently unemployed then I know that I will have 2 weeks to find employment. If I do not find employment within this time period then my parents will assign me more household duties to help those family members that are working.
6. **Vehicle:** I am responsible for my own gas and maintenance of any vehicle owned by me. If I cannot afford gas then I will procure rides in some other fashion.
7. **Cell phone:** I will be responsible for paying for any extra services beyond basic phone calls and text messages for any cell phone provided to me.
8. **Computer Network and Internet:** In consideration of being provided with the log-in key for the wireless/local area network, I agree to be responsible for paying for any extra charges for data download beyond basic use, and for the extra cost of any consumables (printer paper, blank CDs, ink toner) resulting from my use.
9. **Respect:** I will be respectful to all members of this household. If I am in any way disrespectful to my parents or other members of the household than I may be subjected to fines or extra chores.
10. **Family Meetings:** If I do not feel that I have breached a term or condition then a family meeting will be called and I can plead my case. The family can then decide whether there has been a breach, and whether any breach is grounds for any fines, additional chores or imposition of room and board charges. Although I do realize that my family may have a part, it is ultimately up to my parents to decide whether or not I will be subject to any consequences.

My parents *reserve the right to change this contract at any time and as a courtesy will give me 5 days' notice before the change takes effect* My parents also reserve the right to make exceptions to these rules at any time, for any reason, at their sole discretion.

If I fail to abide by these rules, my parents can and will take away privileges as appropriate, charge fines or fees, or demand that I move to alternate living arrangements. *I will be allowed 48 hours to find another living arrangement. Should I fail to vacate within 48 hours without proper cause, I will be provided with a Notice of Trespass and the relevant authorities will be notified.* The locks will be changed and I will subsequently be provided with reasonable supervised access to any belongings I have left behind.

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Son/Daughter's signature

Date

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Mom's signature

Date

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Dad's signature

Date