

Laying the foundations for success

Our Student Accommodation Contract Toolkit

Accommodation, for many students, is at the heart of the student experience. Getting the accommodation strategy right is key to an institution delivering a first-class student living and learning environment. Critical to the success of that strategy is ensuring that your student accommodation contract documents are fit for purpose. At a time of increased student expectation and scrutiny of service-delivery by institutions, it is crucial that your contracts protect both your institution and your students.

Even longstanding terms and conditions need to be kept under review:

- to make sure they comply with the evolving legal and regulatory landscape, particularly in areas such as consumer law
- to embody the lessons learned from issues and incidents which arise during the academic year
- to maintain consistency with the institution's related policies and procedures and the student contract
- if the institution has re-structured its accommodation offering and is now providing it in conjunction with third party investors or operators

The Student Accommodation Contract Toolkit can help you:



1. Lay firm foundations

We will help you get the right accommodation contract documentation in place before the new academic year. We can help you prepare a new set of terms and conditions or review and update your existing terms and conditions. Whichever approach you choose, we will tailor the contractual documentation to your requirements and provide a practical guide for your key staff on how to administer the documents effectively and efficiently.



2. Bring your team up to speed

Our half-day interactive training module will take your key staff through the template student accommodation contract, discussing the practical and legal issues which can arise and how to deal with them. Through teaching, discussion and case studies your staff will learn how to minimise key risk areas and successfully manage any challenges from students.



3. Provide year round support

You will have access to a dedicated team of Eversheds Sutherland lawyers who will be available to provide you with swift and practical advice throughout the year. From interpreting rights, enforcing breaches or handling student misbehaviour, you can draw on the experience of our lawyers to help.



4. Produce an end of year report

At the end of the academic year we will provide you with a report summarising key legal developments and important sector accommodation lessons learned. We would be happy to discuss any revisions you may wish to make to your terms and conditions in light of such developments.

For further information



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