



# Sober House Rules & Agreement

Sponsored by *Safe Passage Ministry*

*Our goal for each guest is to achieve life long sobriety*

Dear "HOUSE" Guest:

You have made a choice to enter this HOUSE and to be accepted by the other guest who live here. By becoming a guest of the HOUSE you have freely decided to live in an environment that is alcohol, drug and pornography-free. In order to maintain a safe, encouraging and enjoyable living environment *house rules* have been established. The *house rules* are designed to help resident guest better understand what is expected and required of them. Resident guest must agree to the following rules prior to move-in.

1. Alcohol and drug use or possession is prohibited. Any resident guest who is found to have used, is under the influence, or in possession of alcohol or illicit drugs will be grounds for immediate dismissal. The HOUSE manager has the right to request random testing.
2. Violence or the threats of violence will result in dismissal.
3. Participation in the weekly HOUSE meeting on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ is required.
4. Resident guest are expected to keep the HOUSE clean, neat and safe. A list of chores will be posted weekly. Chores are expected to be completed in a timely manner.
5. The living room, library, kitchen and backyard are considered "common areas." Rules for such are courtesy, respect, cleanliness and cooperation.
6. Resident guest are expected to keep their bedrooms clean and neat at all times.
7. **NO SMOKING** is ALLOWED in BEDROOMS at any time. Smoking is only permitted in designated areas.
8. There is no curfew for resident guest. However, be advised that you should notify a HOUSE representative when leaving to eliminate any unnecessary worries and searches.
9. Invited guests are allowed in the HOUSE between the hours of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. Invited guests are expected to be clean, sober and courteous. Invited guests may not stay overnight without prior authorization by the HOUSE manager. When approved invited guests may stay no more than 2 days.

10. Resident guest are expected to be good neighbors, not just "non-disturbing" neighbors.
11. Any calls made from the HOUSE phone must be logged-in with your name, date, time and phone number called. Resident guest are responsible for charges made.
12. Resident guest donation must be paid every Friday by 9 a.m. If donation is not received by 5 p.m. on Sunday he will be asked to vacate premises.
13. No female visitors are allowed in the bedrooms at any time. However, female visitors may be invited to HOUSE special events and may wait for resident guest in the living room area, no longer than 15-minutes.
14. Resident guest and invited guest are not permitted to use the **INSIDE STAIRWAY**.
15. All rooms are subject to inspections by management. Management must have keys to all rooms.
16. No more than a personal electric clock plugged-in daily. (No radios/heaters/private TV's/extra lights/or stereos are permitted in bedroom)
17. No washing of cars on property.
18. Zero tolerance for fighting. This is grounds for immediate dismissal.
19. 8-minute maximum for daily showers.
20. You must check-in daily by using a sign-in sheet every 24-hours for the first 30 days.
21. All money contributed to this Ministry is strictly donated on a voluntary basis and not considered rent.
22. All invited guest must be respectful of other resident guest and HOUSE staff.
23. Stealing will result in immediate dismissal.
24. All resident guest are to keep the common areas clean and in order.
25. All resident guest hair must be neatly groomed.
26. All resident guest must use the chain of command if they wish to file a grievance.
27. No pornography will be tolerated. Christian music and literature only, with the exception of newspapers and educational materials. Worldly music and literature is prohibited.
28. **NO EATING** in rooms.
29. No profanity allowed in HOUSE or on HOUSE property.
30. 3 write-ups (incident reports) will result in immediate dismissal.



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All resident guest are considered "guests" of this Ministry, any breach or infraction of its rules may result in disciplinary actions and/or dismissal from the Ministry.

*A Good Attitude Means Everything!*

I hereby certify that I have read, understood and agree to comply with the Ministry (HOUSE) rules and regulations.

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Resident Guest Name (Print)                      Resident Guest Signature                      Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

General Manager

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Nate DeVaughn,  
Founder



## RELEASE FROM LIABILITY

- 1) Non-Liability Injury: I, the undersigned, do hereby release Safe Passage, its staff, management, employees, owners, shareholders, partners and lessors from any liability due to personal injuries sustained by me for any reason regardless of whether injury occurs on or off the premises of (SP) or (SP) related interests.
- 2) Non-Liability Personal Property: I, the undersigned, do hereby release (SP), its staff, management, employees, owners, shareholders, partners and lessors from any liability for the loss or damage of any personal property. (SP) management will hold personal belongings for only three days after lodger's departure, at which time all belongings will be donated to charity.
- 3) Non-Liability Emergency Care: I, the undersigned, do hereby release (SP), its staff, management, employees, owners, shareholders, partners and lessors from any liability in the event of a physical or mental emergency to make the necessary arrangements for emergency care, and that (SP), its staff, management, employees, shareholders, partners and lessors from any liability due to personal injury to lodger or loss during transportation while I am a lodger of (SP).
- 4) Non-Liability for Exercise and Exercise Equipment: I, the undersigned do hereby release (SP), its staff, management, employees, owners, shareholders, partners and lessors from any liability in the event of any injury to myself during exercise and/or using exercise equipment on the premises of (SP) or (SP) related issues.
- 5) Release of Information to Law Enforcement/Probation/Parole: I, the undersigned, do hereby agree to the extent necessary (SP), its staff, management, employees, owners, shareholders, partners and lessors may disclose information about a lodger, to any law enforcement agency, probation and/or parole department.

I have read and understand the terms and conditions of the lodging agreement. I agreed to abide by the standards, principles, Cardinal Rules and House Policies set forth and I willingly agree to participate in the lodge activities and to offer my support to lodgers for their continued sobriety.

Lodger Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Management Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Financially Responsible Party: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Reiteration of Termination From Program

This agreement is either an addition or a reiteration to your intake contract.

Westminster Baptist Church located at 2300 East Griffith Street Los Angeles CA 90011 is serving as an overflow for Safe Passage, Sober House rules and agreement applies to any and all individuals living at the church location.

- I. I understand that I must comply with Safe Passage rules and agreement. \_\_\_\_\_
- II. I understand that by signing this agreement that I agree to uphold the rules of Safe Passage. \_\_\_\_\_
- III. I understand that all or any contractual work done at WBC must be clear by Nate and Belinda DeVaughn. \_\_\_\_\_
- IV. I understand that any money owe to me for work done at WBC will go toward my program fee of \$500.00 monthly.

Participant  
signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Director/CEO  
Nate DeVaughn

Co-Director  
Belinda DeVaughn

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