

Renter and Roommate Resources

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Renter / Tenant Rights

Be aware of your rights and responsibilities as a tenant and what you should expect from your landlord. Visit the [Renting in Ontario: Your Rights](#) page for more information.

Legal Aid

The Seneca Student Federation has partnered with Himelfarb Proszanski Barristers and Solicitors to offer full-time Seneca students free legal aid services. As a student, you might face issues that might require legal aid support, and the lawyers are here to help with legal aid advice on matters such as notarization of documents, affidavits, landlord/tenant rights, and more!

Students can book a 15 minute appointment for legal aid advice in-person or online. Please note that the Legal Aid Service lawyers will not represent you in ongoing legal matters, including litigation or court proceedings.

[Click here to book an appointment](#)

Roommates

[Places4Students](#) offers roommate finder services and [roommate profiles](#) to help you match with a fellow students. Log in to [Places4Students](#) to access the roommate finder.

When considering having a roommate or roommates, we suggest that you consider negotiating a roommate agreement prior to committing to renting an apartment. Prior to committing to becoming roommates it is suggested that you consider these points:

A: Rent

- How much is each going to pay?
- What room will each get?

- How are each going to pay? The landlord? A roommate, who then pays the landlord?

B: Other Charges: (How are you going to handle sharing these)

- Telephone
- Food
- Cable

C: Chores: (Who is doing what, when and how often)

- Cooking
- Cleaning
- Outdoor maintenance

D: House rules

- Are visitors and overnight guests allowed?
- Are you permitted to share household appliances?
- Are smoking and/or alcohol allowed?
- Are pets permitted?
- Privacy issues?

E: Other things

Once you have considered all these things, we suggest that you document it with a that all parties commit to and sign, with witnesses.

Quick Links

- [Rental Agreement](#)
- [Roommate Agreement](#)
- Landlord and Tenant Information
- Landlord and Tenant Act

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