Co-habitation requires mutual respect and discipline. We are jointly responsible!

House Rules



Access to your studio/room: It is sometimes necessary to access studios to perform, for example, technical interventions and inspections. If possible, and in non-urgent cases, we will announce all visits to your studio at least 24 hours in advance via SMS, e-mail or the notice board in the entrance hall. It is not permitted to change the locks to the studios.

Bicycle stand: bikes can ONLY be placed on the bike stand. The fire brigade has explicitly forbidden us from placing bikes in corridors (e.g. entrance hall). Scooters and/or motor bikes are not permitted in BS16.

Cleaning communal areas: The caretaker is responsible for tidiness in communal areas and for putting waste containers outside. A cleaning schedule can be found on the notice board in the relaxation area. However, s/he is not responsible for tidying up, separating the waste and/or for cleaning up after e.g. a party in the relaxation area or unexpected accidents (e.g. you drop a bottle of milk in the stairway when entering the building). You are personally responsible for cleaning in such cases. However, you can borrow cleaning equipment and a vacuum cleaner from the caretaker.

Corridors and window sills: Please do not place any objects in the staircase, entrance hall and/or cellar. Please also refrain from hanging or placing things in front of the windows.

Environment: Spare a thought for our environment and do not waste any water, gas or electricity. Extra charges may apply if breaches are encountered. We thus request you to switch off heating when you are not at home (e.g. during lesson time), and to close all doors and windows. Due to their high consumption and fire risk, freezers, ovens, deep fryers, (electric) heaters, etc. are not permitted. A communal freezer (energy class A+) can be found in the relaxation area. The entire building features LED lighting. If you would like to place an extra reading lamp, for example, this should also feature LED lighting.

Furniture: It is not permitted to move cupboards and beds found in the studios. In exceptional circumstances, this can be done by our handyman if a valid reason is provided. The exact time and hourly rate will be determined by the management. Personal furniture can only be moved to the studios once consent has been issued. This will make it possible to inspect potential damage caused in corridors and the staircase.

General order and tidiness: residents are expected to keep the peace. A certain level of self-discipline is expected when it concerns listening to music or watching TV. Noise must be kept to an acceptable level and should not be a source of nuisance to other residents. The required discipline is also required where it concerns quietly closing doors and windows (2 doors to the courtyard in particular).

Internet: BS16 has a high-speed internet connection with unlimited data volume. However, one should not spend long periods on the internet, uploading and downloading music, internetradio, videos, games, etc. Such excessive internet use reduces the comfort of other residents. If you would like to use a wireless router, you are required to use only the BS16-router. It is forbidden to change the settings of the router. Please do not share this password with others. Failure to comply with the above could result in you being removed from the network.

Pets: Pets are not permitted throughout the entire building.

Night-time noise: We request you to respect the right to peace of your fellow students and to avoid making unnecessary noise in the studios, as well as the corridors, between 22:00 o'clock and 7:00 o'clock.

Safety in the building: It is explicitly forbidden to make copies of keys and/or badges or to give them to third parties. NEVER permit entry to people with whom you are not familiar (certainly not via the entry-phone). The entrance hall and the courtyard feature camera surveillance!

Smoking in the building: It is forbidden to smoke in the studios and the communal areas (corridor, staircase, cellar, etc.). In case of breach, you may be charged potential costs (including travel costs)

associated with switching off and re-programming the fire alarm. The courtyard is the only place where smoking is permitted. Flower pots filled with sand have been placed for the cigarette butts.

Studio/room: It is not permitted to insert nails, screws, clamps, needles and/or drawing pins in walls, doors, skirting board or other woodwork. Minor changes can be carried out by our handyman after consultation. The exact time, conditions and hourly rate will, once again, be determined by management. It is also forbidden to perform changes and/or painting activities in the studios. Tenants are also responsible for regularly cleaning their own studios and for damage caused by themselves or third parties to whom they have been afforded access. Studios are for personal use only.

Technical interventions: BS16 collaborates with a handyman, a heating specialist, etc. to ensure your comfort. We request all tenants to immediately inform us about potential defects, damage and leaks in order to prevent potential damage from worsening.

Use of communal areas: After using the communal areas and/or facilities (courtyard, relaxation area, freezer,etc.), you are personally responsible for:

- Ensuring that everything is clean and tidy when you leave (e.g. garden furniture returned to its place)

- Closing all windows and/or doors
- Reporting all cases of malfunction or damage
- Not making noise that hinders neighbourhood residents

Visitors: Each tenant is responsible for ensuring that his/her visitors abide by the house rules. You may be held personally responsible in case of breach.

Waste: Glass waste must be placed in a public glass container. The closest glass containers can be found in the Gratiekapelstraat and opposite Keizerstraat 71.

The grey containers featuring Stad Antwerpen waste stickers can be used for residual household waste. Please first place all waste in a CLOSED and FASTENED (rubbish) bag before throwing it in the grey container. This helps to avoid odors and vermin in the indoor courtyard and improves general comfort within the building.

Blue bags for PMD waste are available from the caretaker. Please replace the blue bag (in the yellow container) and fasten it once it is full. Full and fastened bags can be placed next to the container.

You can place paper and cardboard in the blue container. Household waste is normally collected every week on Tuesday and can only be placed outside between 20:00 o'clock on Monday evening and 7 o'clock Tuesday morning. The caretaker will ensure that containers are placed outside on time. Paper and PMD is also collected but only every 2 weeks.

Please squash all large packaging (cardboard boxes, Tetrabrik, PET bottles, etc.) before placing them in the appropriate containers. Further information about separate waste collection can be found on the notice board in the relaxation area. Under no circumstances can waste be placed elsewhere in the building!

Thank you in advance and enjoy your stay.

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We are always available, but please call us only for URGENT MATTERS after business hours.