

From: Freedom of Information

Sent: 13 October 2020 15:49

To:

Subject: Freedom of Information Response (Our Ref: K/20/382)

Dear

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Thank you for your Freedom of Information (FOI) request dated 29 September 2020, reference K/20/382.

Your request read:

“Please disclose, preferably by PDF, a copy of the rules/terms of contractual agreement that prevent in relation to Covid-19 isolating students leaving their residences.”

The University of Leeds has not placed its halls of residence in ‘quarantine’ or ‘lockdown’ or otherwise forbidden students from leaving their residence. All students, including those in university accommodation, are themselves responsible for following [national](#) and [local](#) government guidelines, rules and the law as it applies to them.

The above stated, the University cannot and will not ignore student behaviour that puts the health, safety or welfare of others at risk and it reserves that it will take appropriate disciplinary action to address any such situation.

Our accommodation contract "[General terms and conditions 2020/21](#)", puts the following relevant requirements on students living in University allocated accommodation in respect of Covid-19:

- *You must comply with the reasonable requirements of our staff with regard to matters of health and safety, and comply with applicable health and safety regulations and policies. You must not do anything that is likely to put the health, safety or welfare of others at risk. During the Covid-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic each individual is responsible for ensuring that they comply with all applicable UK Government regulations and guidance relating to socialising and separation.*
- *It is your obligation to keep yourself informed of, and comply with, regulations and guidance issued by the UK Government from time to time for the management and control of Covid-19 (Coronavirus). Some breaches of regulations constitute an offence for which you could be prosecuted and fined. You may also be subject to action under our disciplinary regulations, which could lead to a fine and/or termination of your accommodation contract and or suspension from the University and/or expulsion from the University.*
- *You must comply with social or physical distancing and other guidance aimed at preventing the spread of Covid-19 (Coronavirus), whether issued by us or*

the UK Government or one of its agencies. Failure to follow this guidance may lead to disciplinary proceedings being taken against you. Failing to follow regulations may lead to you being prosecuted and fined.

We hope this information is helpful. If you have any questions about this email, however, please do not hesitate to contact us on foi@leeds.ac.uk

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you can request an Internal Review. Requests for Internal Review should be made in writing using the following contact information:

Post: Mr D Wardle
Deputy Secretary
The University of Leeds
Leeds
LS2 9JT

Email: foi@leeds.ac.uk

Requests for Internal Review should be submitted within 40 working days of receiving the University's response to your request. Further information about how the University manages Freedom of Information requests and about our complaints procedure is also available on our website (www.leeds.ac.uk).

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the review/complaints procedure provided by the University. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Kind regards

Chloe Wilkins
Freedom of Information Officer

Secretariat
University of Leeds