

Demerit Point Structure (DPS) for Housing Offences

The Demerit Point Structure (DPS) is to be read in conjunction with the Housing Agreement. Please be familiarized with the following guidelines:

- 1.1 Any points accumulated from the beginning of one semester will be carried over to the end of the following semester (including both vacation periods), and recorded for the purposes of points 1.2 and 1.3.
- 1.2 Housing Agreement is terminated upon accumulation of 16 demerit points (or more) within two semesters. A housing suspension of 12 calendar months will take effect from the date of the disciplinary outcome letter.
- 1.3 Housing Agreement is terminated upon accumulation of 25 demerit points throughout all residential years and eligibility for on campus housing will be withdrawn for the rest of the candidature.
- 1.4 Residents are responsible for their registered occupant's and visitor's full compliance and observance of the Housing Agreement, and of the Rules and Regulations. Any breach by the registered occupants or visitors shall be deemed to be a breach by the Resident.

S/N	Offence Types	Demerit Points		
		1st	2nd	3rd
1	Theft	16		
2	Vandalism with intention to cause damage to facilities/rooms/common areas			
3	Sexual Misconduct/Other serious Misconduct/Inappropriate behaviour/Breach of Law			
4	Subletting of room (with or without monetary consideration)			
5	Throwing of items from height ('Killer Litter')			
6	Use of opposite gender's shower and toilet facilities, including such inappropriate use by visitor(s) of the resident			
7	Unauthorised room-sharing (including overnight stay) with non-resident			
8	Duplication of key			
9	Misconduct (including disorderly or disruptive behavior that interferes with the privacy, rights and well-being of other residents)	9	9	
10	Activating fire alarm without reasonable cause			
11	Passing of room transponder/key to another person			
12	Tampering with communal security/safety measures (including fire-exits, cluster/lift lobby doors, toilet doors and CCTVs)			
13	Non-compliance with regulations, rules, policies, guidelines, codes of conduct or notices issued by the University or government authorities relating to health and safety			
14	Solicitation, sale or promotion of any goods or services using the hostel premises without permission is prohibited			
15	Unauthorised removal of common furniture and fixture, appliances, food and personal items belonging to other residents			
16	Smoking of cigarettes, using or possessing of imitation tobacco products (Vaporisers such as electronic cigarettes, electronic pipes, electronic cigars and the like, shisha, chewing tobacco, Heat-Not-Burn tobacco products etc) in room/Hostel compound			
17	Alcohol possession or consumption in the hostel or disorderly conduct/drunkenness at the hostel			
18	Visit by non-residents of the hostel during quiet hours	6	9	9
19	Leaving visitors unattended			
20	Swapping of rooms without authorisation			
21	Unauthorised stay-over in the room of another resident in the same hostel			
22	Excessive noise during quiet hours			
23	Obstruction and other potential fire hazards (e.g. usage of candles, open-flame)			
24	Possession or use of unauthorised electrical appliances, personal refrigerators or coolers/air-conditioners without permit from the Management Office.	3	6	6
25	Leaving any personal mobility device (PMD) unattended when charging the PMD.			
26	Littering in Common Areas			
27	Failure to upkeep cleanliness of common areas/room			
28	Keeping of Pets			
29	Failure to shut or secure the fire-exit door/cluster door	3	6	6
30	Leaving lights/fans/appliances switched on when not in room			
31	Non-Compliance with Safe Management Measures (for COVID-19) in NUS Hostels (Refer to Appendix on page 2)			

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Appendix to DPS

Offences under Clause 31 relate to non-compliance with prevailing university guidelines for safe management as provided on <https://nus.edu.sg/osa/student-services/hostel-admission/housing-agreement>. Examples of offences under Clause 31 include but are not limited to: not wearing a mask/wearing a mask improperly, failure to observe safe distancing rules, gathering of more than the number of persons permitted, breaching rules regarding non-resident visitors, etc. as specified in the relevant circulars. Each act of non-compliance is considered a separate offence in the issuance of demerit points.

Please note that:

1. Further sanctions may be imposed at the discretion of the Master where breach involves use of hostel's common facilities.
2. Egregious breach(es) may result in students being penalized under Clause 13 of the DPS or referred to BOD.
3. Students are responsible for checking their official NUS email accounts and will be deemed to be notified once the sanctions have been delivered via email.

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