

The Hostel Rules and Guidelines

The Hostel Rules and Guidelines (“Rules” hereafter) of the Hong Kong Youth Hostels Association set out to maintain the cleanest and safest hostel environment possible, so that all members can enjoy hostel facilities to the fullest. Please make sure that you comply with them

Check-in and Check-out

1. After arriving at the hostel, members should check in with the hostel manager immediately and produce their personal/group membership card, booking confirmation letter and identity document.
2. Members who fail to produce their membership card, identity document, identification booking confirmation letter or other proof of payment are required to sign a declaration. Otherwise, they may be refused to check-in.

Duration of Stay

In principle, the maximum duration of stay at HKYHA hostels has been set at 14 days (13 nights), although extensions may be granted based on individual circumstances. Hostel managers can restrict the duration of stay so as to safeguard the rights of other members. Depending on the circumstances of operation, some hostels may be closed on certain dates.

Day camp

Generally speaking, HKYHA encourages hostellers to explore the nearby environment instead of staying inside the hostels. For some countryside hostels including Pak Sha O Youth Hostels, Bradbury Hall and Sze Lok Yuen Hostel, guests are required to leave the hostel in between check-out and check-in time of the day irrespective of their duration of stay. Guests who would like to stay in the hostel during that time must first apply to HKYHA and every guest is obliged to pay a day camp fee (groups only; minimum 25 people).

Outdoor Camping

Outdoor camping fees cover the use of the campsite as well as bathroom and shower facilities. Outdoor campers, except for Hassle-free camping, are expected to bring their own tenting and cooking utensils, so they are not permitted to use the kitchen facilities. No beddings, blankets or hostel utensils are provided in the tents (except for Hassle-free camping). Campers should prepare their own tents and cooking utensils. Check-in procedures are the same for outdoor campers and hostellers.

Jockey Club Mt. Davis Youth Hostel Shuttle Bus Schedule

Hostellers and their friends are welcomed to use our free shuttle bus service from Shun Tak Centre, Sheung Wan, to the hostel. Seats are limited and taken on a first-come-first-served basis. Please visit www.yha.org.hk/md for the free shuttle bus schedule

Entering the Youth Hostel from the Pak Tam Chung Gate

Groups staying in Pak Sha O Youth Hostel or Bradbury Hall in Chek Keng who wish to pass through the gate in Pak Tam Chung in their coaches are required to fill in an application form. Sai Kung Visitor Centre reserves the final right to approve applications. All other vehicles must leave Pak Sha O Youth Hostel or Wong Shek Pier immediately after loading or unloading passengers, or they may be blacklisted.

Bedding

Bedsheets are provided free of charge to ensure personal hygiene. Hostels only provide a limited number of blankets. In cold weather, hostellers should bring their own warm clothing and sleeping bags.

Cooking and Dining

Generally speaking, HKYHA does not provide catering services. Hostellers should bring their own food.

Each hostel is equipped with a self-service kitchen. Guests are welcomed to use the cooking, eating and drinking utensils provided, but they should be thoroughly cleaned after use. All leftover food and rubbish must be put in the rubbish bin. Most hostels also provide barbeque facilities. Most hostel kitchens are close at 22:30 and half an hour before check-out time.

Personal belongings

Hostellers should take care of their personal belongings. HKYHA and its staff shall not be liable for any loss or damage of personal properties. Small lockers are provided at all hostels. Please bring your own lock. In the case of theft, please inform the hostel manager immediately. If you have lost or left valuables in the hostel, please call the hostel manager to find out whether your property can be found.

Hostel regulations

In order to reduce boarding fees as much as possible and at the same time encourage self-help and independence, we ask hostellers to keep the interior and exterior of hostels clean and tidy. Hostellers should also make their beds and tidy their rooms before they go out or check out, clear the rubbish and clean the hostel briefly. We rely on the efforts of each and every hosteller to create a decent and refreshing hostel environment.

1. Hostellers should respect the hostelling spirit advocated by HKYHA. They are also expected to comply with the hostel rules and guidelines and follow the instructions of hostel staff. Please be considerate and understanding, and share the joy of hostelling with other guests.
2. No pets are allowed in all hostels.

3. Smoking is strictly prohibited on the hostel premises, including the kitchen, common room and bathroom.
4. No illegal drugs are allowed in the hostel. Hostellers can consume moderate amounts of beer and wine on the hostel premises. However, if alcohol consumption disturbs other hostellers or hostel operation, the hostel manager has the right to forbid further consumption of alcohol. The manager can also refuse to let individuals under the influence of drugs or alcohol stay in the hostel and order them to leave
5. Hostellers are not permitted to enter the room(s) of the opposite gender.
6. If you wish to enter / exit the hostels during the gate closing period, please check with our hostel managers. To ensure hostellers can get rest at night, please keep quiet from 11pm to 7am. Hostel managers may request hostellers to leave the site if they are disturbing other hostellers
7. Members shall be responsible for their own behavior and that of the hosteller(s) they travel with. In the case of rule violations, HKYHA reserves the right to terminate a member's membership or suspend their right to enjoy HKYHA facilities. Membership fees are not refundable.
8. Members shall indemnify HKYHA for all damages to hostel facilities.
9. Please care for the plants and trees on the hostel premises.
10. Hostellers should keep the hostel clean and tidy. Littering is strictly prohibited on the hostel premises and care should be taken to extinguish all fire after cooking and barbeques. Hostellers should not build fire outside the designated barbeque site(s).
11. No political and religious meetings can be held on the hostel premises without the written consent of HKYHA.
12. Hostel rules may be amended any time without prior notice.

Violation of the Hostel Rules and Guidelines

If any member violates any clause in the Rules, HKYHA and its staff can ask the member to leave the hostel immediately, terminate their membership and/or suspend their right to enjoy HKYHA facilities. Membership fees are not refundable.

The Hong Kong Youth Hostels Association reserves the right to amend relevant terms and conditions without prior notice.

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