# **Disabilities Resources Housing Accommodations Procedure**

#### Please read this document in its entirety.

Students may request housing accommodations by completing a Housing Accommodations Request Packet, which includes documentation of a substantially limiting condition from their physician or other appropriate professional.

#### **<u>Request Process</u>:**

- 1. You must be registered with Disabilities Resources to apply for housing accommodations. If you are new to Disabilities Resources, you must <u>complete the accommodations intake form in</u> <u>Accommodate</u>. If you are already registered with our office, you must submit a "supplemental" request in Accommodate.
- 2. After you have **submitted the entire housing packet**, your request will be prepared for review by the committee. **The following are all parts (a-d) of the packet to be completed and submitted to Disabilities Resources**:
  - **a. Permission for Release of Information:** this section will be completed by the *student* unless the student is under 18 years of age, in which case the parent/guardian should complete it (page 3)
  - **b.** Housing Accommodations Request and Other Accommodations Related to Housing Request (if applicable): this section will be completed by the *student* (pages 4 and 5; also top of page 7)
  - c. Documentation of Disability-Related Need for Housing Accommodations: this section will be completed by the *provider/physician/diagnosing professional* (pages 7 to 9)
  - **d. Provider Letter on Letterhead:** this attachment should be written by the *provider/physician/diagnosing professional* and should include on **letterhead** the most recent office visit for the student, the professional's credentials, and professional's signature (described on page 10)
- 3. The Housing Accommodations Committee reviews application.
- **4.** Residence Life will notify you regarding the outcome of your request. If approved, Residence Life will include assignment information and further instructions.

\*Please visit the Disabilities Resources website to confirm the deadline for submitting requests for housing accommodations. For **current students**, the deadline is typically early February. For **incoming students**, the deadline is typically early May.

\*Housing requests will be accommodated based on the level of need and space availability. Requests turned in after the deadlines will be subject to space availability.

#### All completed documents should be submitted to:

Disabilities Resources	Phone: (336) 278-6568
Elon University	Fax: (336) 278-6514
2251 Campus Box	disabilities@elon.edu
Elon, NC 27244	

# **Continuing Housing Accommodation Request**

If you would like to keep your previously approved housing accommodation (i.e., room style, amenities granted, etc.) \* for the next academic year, please complete the following steps:

- 1. Complete Residence Life's general Housing Application and indicate "Continuing Housing Accommodation on file" on the form.
- 2. Assignments will be made by Residence Life according to the timeline found here: <u>https://www.elon.edu/u/residence-life/resources/medical-requests/</u>.

\*Note: A continuing housing accommodation DOES NOT mean you will be granted the same room exact room for next year. Rather, it indicates that we will place you in the same room/housing style based on the previously granted housing accommodation.

# **Changed Housing Accommodation**

<u>If you want to request a change to a previously approved accommodation, please complete the following steps:</u>

- 1. Complete:
  - a. **Full Housing Accommodations Request Packet** by the due date found here: <u>https://www.elon.edu/u/residence-life/resources/medical-requests/</u>
  - b. Match with preferred roommate/suitemate/pod mate in Self Service, if applicable (www.elon.edu/myhousing)
- 2. Email or fax completed the following completed forms to Disabilities Resources:
  - a. Full Housing Accommodations Request Packet
- 3. The Housing Accommodations Committee will review the request.
- 4. Disabilities Resources will email accommodation decision to student.
- 5. Assignments will be made by Residence Life according to the timeline found here: https://www.elon.edu/u/residence-life/resources/medical-requests/.

### **Permission for Release of Information**

I give permission for the exchange of any medical, educational, or psychiatric information between the following Departments of Elon University:

Office of Disabilities Resources Student Health Services Counseling Services Residence Life Housing Accommodations Committee (offices noted above)

And \_\_\_\_\_\_

### To be completed by student. (Please print)

Fax:

### To be completed by student. (Please print)

Student's Full Name:	
Home Address:	
Phone:	Fax:
Email:	Student ID #:

# (To be signed by student if age 18 or over. To be signed by parent or guardian only if student is under age 18).

Signature:	Date:
<b>Return to:</b> Disabilities Resources Elon University 2251 Campus Box Elon, NC 27244	Phone: (336) 278-6568 Fax: (336) 278-6514 disabilities@elon.edu
	Office of Disabilities Resources

# **Housing Accommodations Request**

To be completed by student. Please print or type.

Name:		Student ID #:	
Campus Box:	Residence Hall:	Semester and/or year to which this request applies:	
Home Address:			
Cell Phone:		Elon Email:	
D.O.B.:		Are you a new, transfer, or a returning student? (mark one)	

Please list specific housing accommodation(s) and explain the need based upon documented disability or condition.

#### Request(s)

#### Justification\*

(To be signed by student if age 18 or over. To be signed by parent or guardian only if student is under age 18).

Signature:\_\_\_\_\_Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please note – The Housing Accommodations Committee reviews requests to ensure that the claimed disability is a "substantially limiting condition" as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_(to be completed by ODR)

# **Other Accommodations Related to Housing Request**

To be completed by student. Please print or type.

Name:		Student ID #:
Campus Box:	Residence Hall:	Semester and/or year to which this request applies:
Home Address:		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Cell Phone:		Elon Email:
D.O.B.:		Are you a new, transfer, or a returning student? (mark one)

Please list specific other accommodation(s) (e.g., own mattress/desk chair; furniture removal; access to a MicroFridge; washer/dryer access; etc.) and explain need based upon documented disability or condition.

#### Request(s)

### Justification\*

### (To be signed by student if age 18 or over. To be signed by parent or guardian only if student is under age 18).

Signature:\_\_\_\_\_Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please note – The Housing Accommodations Committee reviews requests to ensure that the claimed disability is a "substantially limiting condition" as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_(to be completed by ODR)

### **Important Notes**

- If you would like to request a roommate/suitemate/pod mate if you are requesting a housing accommodation within a multi-occupancy space (e.g., double room or shared living space), please complete the following steps:
  - 1. Pay the Housing Reservation Fee of \$125 (if you are a rising Junior/Senior only)
  - 2. Complete the Residence Life Housing Application (<u>www.elon.edu/myhousing</u>)
  - 3. Mutually match with each other as roommates on Self-Service (www.elon.edu/myhousing)

Then, Residence Life will then notify you and your desired roommate if this request has been granted and the location of your placement.

- Students placed in a single room in a residence hall as part of an approved housing accommodation will receive a credit on their Student Account to make their room cost equal to the cost of a double residence hall room. This credit is not applicable to students assigned to apartment-style spaces in campus housing.
- The Housing Accommodations Committee, which includes Residence Life, Disabilities Resources, and Medical Professionals, works to balance each student's medical/housing accommodation needs and their expressed *preference* for the location or room style. Once a student is placed in a space then the accommodation has been granted, *no further changes can be made based on preference*. We work to facilitate access to approved accommodations, but we cannot accommodate preference for location or room style in our process.

# Documentation of Disability-Related Need for Housing Accommodations

### (This top section is ONLY completed by student. Please print.)

Student:		Phone:
Student ID #:	First-year, transfer, or returning student? (circle one)	D.O.B.:
Address:		

**Please print.** The diagnosing professional, who should not be a relative of the student, must complete this form.

1. Diagnosis:

2. What major life activity (e.g., walking, seeing, hearing, breathing, self-care, etc.) does the condition substantially limit?

3. Describe the current impact of the condition: (including negative health impact that may be \_\_\_\_\_\_permanent or life threatening if the request is not granted)

4. Original date of diagnosis:		
Ву:	[Name]	
	[Degree/Specialty]	
5. Diagnostic criteria/tests used:		
6. Date of most recent evaluation:		

7. Treatments/medications/devices or services currently prescribed (name of medication and dose):

8. Expected duration, stability, or progression of the condition:

### 9. Other specialists that the patient has seen (if known):

#### 11. Describe how the recommended housing impacts the condition:

### 12. Alternative recommendation(s):

### (OPTIONAL) Additional comments:

Name of Diagnostician (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

In addition to this form, please include, ON PROFESSIONAL LETTERHEAD, the date of the most recent office visit of the student, your professional credentials, and your signature.

### Please return to Disabilities Resources:

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