

# **2020-2021 Housing Contract Cancellation Policy**

Students who receive a housing assignment are able to submit a *request* to cancel their contract after it has been signed. Submission of a request to cancel one's contract does NOT automatically approve the cancellation request. Your request will be reviewed by our office based on your reason for cancellation.

### Cancelling Your Housing Contract <u>Before</u> Occupancy Start Date\*

Students who submit a housing contract cancellation request <u>may</u> be approved if the request is submitted before the Occupancy Start Date **AND** the student has NOT occupied the assigned bedspace.

# Cancelling Your Housing Contract On/After the Occupancy Start Date\*

On or after the start of the occupancy start date, a housing contract cancellation request may be approved for the criteria below with supporting documentation:

- Medical reasons- Medical conditions that are necessary for students to live off campus. In order to be approved for a medical exemption, students are required to obtain supporting documentation such as a Doctor's note explaining the necessity to leave on-campus housing. Students may also go to the Student Disability Services (SDS) Office should they feel they need to leave on-campus housing due to a disability related situation.
- Unexpected Financial Change- Students who have drastic AND unexpected financial reduction that occurs between the signing the housing contract and the request to cancel.
- Not Enrolled at USF- Students who are not enrolled in USF within the contract period.

If you do not fall into one of the 3 above listed categories you will not be able to cancel your contract at any point during the entire academic year either (a) after the start date of your contract or (b) after you have started to occupy your room space.

\*Occupancy Start Dates for the 2020-2021 Academic Year and Spring 2021 Terms:

- August 15, 2020 for Academic-year, and Loyola Village and Fulton House academic-year housing contract
- January 21, 2021 for Spring semester-only housing contract
- August 8, 2020 for St. Anne academic-year housing contract
- January 1, 2021 for St. Anne, Loyola Village, and Fulton House Spring semester-only housing contract

• The Occupancy Start Date will be adjusted to the first date the student occupies the assigned bespace if the approved occupancy date is earlier than the occupancy start date stated in the housing contract.

#### **Contract Cancellation Fee**

Students who submit a housing contract cancellation request after receiving a housing assignment- and **are approved** by SHaRE- will be charged a cancellation fee based on the fee structures outlined below. The cancellation fee is in addition to applicable room, meal plan, and repair/cleaning charges.

The cancellation fee will only be waived if a student is not enrolled at USF for the housing contract period; this criteria includes Leave of Absence, Withdrawal from USF, Study Abroad, and Graduation at the end of a semester. Otherwise, the cancellation fee will apply to each cancellation request that is approved.

### 2020-2021 Academic Year Cancellation Fee Schedule:

Cancellation Date	Cancellation Fee Charged
Before May 1, 2020	\$250
May 1, 2020 - May 31, 2020	\$500
June 1, 2020 - June 30, 2020	\$750
Starting July 1, 2020	\$1000

### Spring 2021 Cancellation Fee Schedule:

Please note that students who apply only for the spring 2021 semester will be assessed on a different cancellation fee schedule as listed below:

Cancellation Date	Cancellation Fee Charged
Before December 10, 2020	\$250
December 10, 2020 - December 31, 2020	\$500
January 1, 2021 to January 16, 2021	\$750
Starting January 16, 2021	\$1000