RESIDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

1 Purpose
Trinity is an educational community. The purpose of the College is to provide residents with an enjoyable living and learning experience within a safe, caring and respectful environment.

Every community has its implicit and explicit rules for acceptable social behaviour; without these shared expectations communities would not function viably. A residential college community is no exception. Respecting the values of the College and the rights and property of others, and of the College, should be a priority for all who have the privilege to live on campus.

The purpose of this Code of Conduct is to ensure that everyone is aware of what is expected of residents and their guests, and to provide general guidelines within which residents should manage their life in College.

2 Resident Conduct
2.1 General Expectations
The general expectation is that residents will exercise a high degree of self-regulation. Every resident is expected to be respectful and considerate of others at all times and to promote a sense of community within the College. The responsibility for maintaining such an environment rests with each one of us.

As a residential college of the Uniting Church in Australia, our way of operating and the quality of our relationships with each other should reflect a high ethical and moral standard. As a community, we are also required to operate under State and Federal laws and under the by-laws of The University of Western Australia. The following overarching principle should guide our behaviour:

*We should show care and concern for each other and for the common good at all times. We should behave in such a way that no offence, inconvenience or disturbance is caused to other residents or to any person employed directly or indirectly by Trinity.*

All residents have rights and privileges and with them come responsibilities and obligations. Every resident has an obligation to demonstrate respectful, considerate behaviour when interacting with other residents, with staff members and with guests.

Conduct that is in breach of this code will be the subject of processes, consequences and sanctions that are consistent with the seriousness of the behaviour. The processes to be applied in determining if a breach of the Code has occurred, and what the consequences of any established breach will be, are matters reserved for the discretion of the College.
2.2 Resident Commitment
The College assumes that every resident will have carefully and thoroughly read the Resident Handbook and the current Terms and Conditions of Residency, and that they will meet the expectations and standards articulated in these documents. The College expects the commitment of every resident to:

- Conduct themselves responsibly at all times. They are expected to know and to adhere to this Code and to all College policies, guidelines and expectations.
- Show respect and consideration for others, regardless of gender, race, religion, disability, marital status, sexual orientation or any other attribute, so that all may live, study and work in harmony. All members of the Trinity community should expect to be treated courteously and fairly, and to be free from acts of violence, harassment, intimidation, or discrimination.
- Acknowledge that differences between people contribute to the richness of life.
- Respect the rights of all other members of College, while also acting in accordance with the laws of the wider Australian community.
- Comply with all the systems and procedures established by the College.

2.3 Desired Behaviours
The following guidelines provide an overview of the College’s expectations for every resident. The Resident Handbook and the Terms and Conditions of Residency provide more detail on each of these.

As a resident of Trinity you will:

- Participate in the life of the College.
- Strive for excellence academically and access what the College offers in terms of support.
- Treat other residents, their property and personal space with consideration at all times.
- Not use, possess or distribute illicit drugs or misuse legal drugs.
- Not consume alcohol if under 18 years of age.
- Not consume alcohol to excess or be significantly affected by alcohol while on campus.
- Not smoke in, or within 5 metres of, buildings or walkways
- Generally keep noise levels low and be especially quiet at night.
- Not compromise the safety or security of other residents or their property.
- Comply with Computer and Software Use Regulations of The University of Western Australia.
- Maintain a high standard of hygiene in your room and in the general environment by disposing of waste appropriately.
- Care for all residential property and observe safety and fire rules and regulations.
- Take responsibility for any damage you cause and take steps to correct it.
- Not allow any unauthorised person to make use of your accommodation or the catering services of the College.
- Accept that limited parking is available and only park on College grounds if a Permit has been allocated.
- Be responsible for your guests and visitors, including personally accepting responsibility should they breach this Code of Conduct.
- Respond appropriately to any reasonable requests and instructions from all members of staff, including Resident Advisors.
- Seek assistance if your rights are impacted upon and report problems that you feel unable to deal with.