

## RESIDENT OCCUPANCY AGREEMENT

This Resident Occupancy Agreement (the "**Agreement**") is between APG Housing, LLC (the "**Owner**") and the following individual or individuals on active duty with the United States Armed Forces:

*first service member's name*

*second service member's name, if applicable*

The above named service member or service members shall individually and collectively be referred to as "**Resident**". Owner and Resident hereby agree to the following terms and conditions:

1. **HOME:** Owner shall provide the Resident with a rental home at *enter address*, Maryland 21005 (the "**Home**"). Resident has inspected the Home and is satisfied that it is in a condition that is reasonably safe and habitable for occupancy. The Home and all matters relating to the Agreement shall be managed by Corvias Management – Army, LLC (the "**Property Manager**").
2. **RENT:** The monthly rent for the Home (the "**Rent**") will be determined as follows:
  - a. If the Resident's duty assignment is the same as the installation where the Home is located, then the Rent shall be equal to the BAH actually received by the Resident.
  - b. If the Resident's duty assignment is not the same as the installation where the Home is located, then the Rent shall be the equivalent BAH for Resident's rank, at the with dependent rate, at the installation where the Home is located. If the Rent is higher than the BAH actually received by the Resident, the Resident will be responsible for the difference.
  - c. If the Home is occupied by two or more Residents (two or more active duty service members), the Rent will be the equivalent BAH for the highest ranking Resident, at the with dependent rate, for the installation where the Home is located.
  - d. If the Resident has been designated as a key and essential employee by the installation where the Home is located, the Rent shall be equal to the Resident's housing allowance at the with or without dependant rate, whichever is applicable.

If Resident's BAH rate changes at any time during the term of this Agreement, Resident must notify Owner within fourteen (14) days of the change, and the Rent will be adjusted to match the new BAH. Such change will be effective as of the date of the change to the Resident's BAH.

Payment of Rent shall be made through an allotment/deduction from the Resident's pay account to Owner. Rent payment is due on the first day of the month for the previous month's Rent (payment in arrears). By signing this Agreement, authorization is given to initiate and maintain an allotment equal to the BAH payable to Owner, effective for the next month following the date hereof. Resident must pay (via check) the prorated portion of the first month's Rent for the number of days the Home is occupied. Such prorated Rent payment is due at or before the time of move-in.

3. **LATE PAYMENT AND RETURNED CHECKS:** Failure to pay Rent on or before the due date constitutes a default under this Agreement. If any rental payment is not received within five (5) days from the due date, Resident agrees to pay an administrative charge of zero dollars (\$0), for each month an amount is past due. Resident also agrees to pay an additional charge of thirty Five dollars (\$35.00) for each check returned or electronic draft refused, returned or unpaid. All such administrative and additional charges shall be due by first day of the next calendar month, unless this Agreement has been terminated or expired, in which case such administrative charges shall be due to Owner immediately upon move out. Owner has the right to require that all payments that are not paid by BAH allotment be made by money order, cashiers check, or certified check. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Resident shall not be in default if the failure to pay Rent results from an error or delay caused by the Defense Finance and Accounting Service with respect to the timing or

amount of the BAH allotment, provided the failure to pay Rent is cured within thirty (30) days, unless such time period is extended by the Owner upon request of the Army (to which Owner approval not to be unreasonably withheld). After the Home is vacated, any refund due to Resident will be made within ten (10) business days of the Property Manager's receipt of the allotment applicable to the month of move-out.

A Resident's spouse must be in possession of a special Power of Attorney to sign this Agreement and authorize initiation of BAH allotment.

Possession of the Home (move-in) will not be permitted until BAH allotment agreement is executed and initiation is authorized. Failure to pay Rent on time or stopping BAH allotment may result in loss of eligibility to occupy the Home.

4. **TERM OF OCCUPANCY:** Resident shall reside in the Home commencing on *enter commencement date* for a period of twelve (12) months. Thereafter, this Agreement shall automatically continue on a month-to-month basis unless terminated by either party upon giving thirty (30) days prior written notice. By initialing here, Resident acknowledges that he/she has specifically reviewed and approved this automatic renewal provision.

**Resident's Initials:** \_\_\_\_\_

5. **EARLY TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT BY RESIDENT:**

- a. When either Resident or Resident's spouse are members of the Armed Forces of the United States or a member of the National Guard serving on full-time duty or as a Civil Service technician with a National Guard unit, this Agreement may be terminated by Resident without payment of any penalty, liquidated damages, or Rent that would have otherwise been due for any period following the approved termination date, provided the Resident or Resident's spouse:
- i. Has received permanent change of station orders; or
  - ii. Is discharged, released or retired from active duty with the armed forces of the United States or from his full-time duty or technician status with the National Guard; or
  - iii. Is assigned to government-provided quarters resulting in the forfeiture of BAH; or
  - iv. Is declared missing-in-action or loss of life in which case the spouse, next of kin or Personal Representative/Executor of the Resident's estate may exercise an early termination of the Agreement.
- b. If Resident seeks early termination of this Agreement pursuant to the provisions of this section, Resident shall deliver to the Property Manager a written notice stating the grounds for early termination together with appropriate documentation supporting the grounds for early termination. The notice shall also state an effective date for the termination, which shall not be less than thirty (30) days after the date of Property Manager's receipt of the notice, except when an earlier termination date is necessary to comply with military orders. The final month's Rent owed hereunder shall be prorated based on the number of days in the calendar month in which the early termination occurs. Such prorated Rent shall be payable at such time as would have otherwise been required by the terms of this Agreement.

6. **EARLY TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT FOR CHANGES IN STATUS; GUESTS:** Changes in the number of members of the Resident's family ("**Occupants**") must be reported to the Property Manager immediately. If Resident's dependent or marital status changes in such a manner so as to result in the military sponsor's ineligibility for family housing (including as an example, legal separation or divorce) or the Resident is discharged from military service or barred from the installation, such that the Resident would no longer be eligible for housing under this Agreement, then this Agreement shall be terminated thirty (30) days following such change in status unless Owner has approved a different termination date and Resident continues to pay Rent at the appropriate BAH rate until the termination date.

Guests of the Resident shall not occupy the Home for more than 30 days in a calendar year without the written approval of the Neighborhood Manager.

7. **EARLY TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT FOR OTHER CAUSES:** For early termination not described in either Paragraph 5 or 6 of this Agreement, Resident shall:

- a. Have occupied the Home no less than six (6) months under the terms of this Agreement; and
- b. Deliver to the Property Manager a written notice stating the grounds for early termination, together with appropriate documentation supporting the grounds for early termination; and

- c. Specify an effective date for the termination which shall not be less than thirty (30) days after the date of Property Manager's receipt of said notice; and
- d. Resident's option to such early termination is specifically subject to and contingent upon payment of an amount equal to one month's Rent, which shall be deemed and retained by Owner as liquidated damages for the early termination of the Agreement, due and payable at the time the notice of termination is submitted.

Such liquidated damages shall be paid in addition to any other monthly Rent or prorated monthly Rent owed for time periods up to and including the early termination date, or any other money owed by the Resident as a result of Resident's physical damage to the Home or other property of Owner. The final month's Rent owed hereunder shall be prorated based on the number of days in the calendar month in which the early termination occurs. Such prorated Rent shall be payable at such time as would have otherwise been required by the terms of this Agreement.

8. **AUTHORIZED OCCUPANTS:** The following members of the Resident's family are authorized to reside in the Home:
- a. Spouse: *enter spouse's name* Is the spouse active military? YES / NO
  - b. If Yes, spouse's SSN: *enter SSN*
  - c. Children's Names: *enter names*
  - d. Other Dependent Adults/Children: *enter names*

It is understood and acknowledged that no other persons are authorized to reside in the Home.

9. **INSPECTIONS AT COMMENCEMENT AND TERMINATION OF OCCUPANCY:** The Resident and Owner agree that, prior to beginning occupancy of the Home; they will conduct a joint examination of the Home. This examination will be conducted and recorded in accordance with the Owner's Resident Responsibility Guide (the "RRG"). It shall be the responsibility of the Resident to request an exit walk through inspection of the Home with Owner. The walk through inspection must be requested in writing a minimum of five (5) days before the Resident ends occupancy of the Home. Using the record of the pre-occupancy inspection, Owner will itemize any damages or deficiencies in the condition of the Home that exceed normal wear and tear, and such damages shall be the responsibility of the Resident.
10. **REPAIRS/ALTERATIONS:** Except as provided by law, Resident shall not make repairs or make any interior or exterior alterations of the Home without Owners' prior written consent. Resident shall notify Owner in writing of any repairs, decorations or alterations contemplated, including, but not limited to, painting and wallpapering. Owner and Property Manager are committed to the principles of fair housing. In accordance with fair housing laws, Owner or Property Manager will make reasonable accommodations to their rules, policies, practices or services and/or will allow reasonable modifications under such laws to give persons with disabilities access to and use of the Home. In the event that Resident requests any such accommodation/modification, Resident will be required to sign an addendum to this Agreement regarding the approval and implementation of such accommodations or modifications, as well as restoration obligations, if any. Resident shall hold Owner harmless and indemnify Owner as to any mechanics lien recordation or proceeding caused by repairs or alteration actions undertaken by or at the request of Resident. Upon vacating the Home, Resident shall (i) remove all interior decorations made by Resident and restore the Home to its condition as of the beginning of the term of this Agreement, except for ordinary wear and tear, and (ii) insure that the Home is clean and free of all personal property and trash.
11. **CONDUCT:** Residents are responsible for the conduct of their family members and guests. All Occupants must comply with the terms of this Agreement, the RRG, and any applicable Aberdeen Proving Ground Rules and Regulations, each of which are incorporated as part of this Agreement by reference. Resident hereby acknowledges receipt of a copy of the RRG. Should the Resident or any Occupants fail to comply with any of the terms of this Agreement, the accompanying Rules and Regulations, and/or the RRG, the Resident and/or Occupants may be evicted from the Home.

**USE AND QUIET ENJOYMENT:** Resident and/or Occupants will enjoy the use of the Home in a manner that does not disturb the quiet enjoyment of other residents or create a public nuisance in violation of the RRG.

12. **APPLICABLE RULES:** This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State in which the Home is located (“**Applicable State Law**”) to the maximum extent that the Applicable State Law applies to leased premises and the courts of such State have jurisdiction over the Home, as well as any applicable Federal laws, any applicable military rules, regulations and/or guidelines, and the RRG, all of which are hereby incorporated by reference.

13. **PETS:** Resident will adhere to any Department of Army Pet Policy, if applicable, unless otherwise indicated below.

A maximum of two (2) domesticated animals or pets shall be permitted to be kept in the Home. Resident must comply with breed and weight restrictions as set forth in the RRG. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no animals other than a cat or dog shall be permitted to be kept in the Home by the Resident without the prior written consent of Owner. The Resident shall bear all legal and financial responsibilities for any injuries or damages caused by the animals and shall comply with the provisions of the RRG relating to the keeping of pets on the Home. The following deposit has been paid as a condition of keeping permitted pet(s) in or at the Home:

Refundable Pet Deposit.                      **\$300.00**

14. **LIABILITY; RENTERS INSURANCE:** Resident shall be held liable for all damages to the Home, other than normal wear and tear. Costs for damages must be paid, or payment arrangements made, to Owner by the final day of occupancy. The Resident’s chain of command will be notified in case of delinquencies or failure to pay a just debt. In case of a dispute, the Resident and Owner agree to submit the dispute for mediation by the APG Residential Communities Initiative Liaison Office.

Owner will provide a renter’s insurance policy covering Resident’s personal contents up to \$20,000.00. The policy information shall be provided to the Resident.

15. **LEAD BASED PAINT:** The undersigned Resident acknowledges receipt of the booklet published by the United States Environmental Protection Agency “Protect Your Family From Lead in Your Home.” Resident agrees that he or she has received the Disclosure of Information on Lead-Based Paint and / or Lead Based Paint Hazards, which is fully executed and incorporated herein by reference.

16. **UTILITIES:** The Utility charges are to be paid as follows:

- a. OWNER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR: Electric, water, sewer, gas, garbage, recycle collection.
- b. RESIDENT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR: Telephone (local and long distance), Cable TV (basic and expanded), Satellite Service, and Internet Service (high speed and dial-up) , or any other services directly contracted by Resident with a service provider.
- c. In the event that there is a change in the Resident’s or Owners’ respective responsibilities for payment of said utilities pursuant to this Agreement, Owner shall provide the Resident a reasonable notice period of such changes, prior to implementation of the charges.
- d. Army’s Resident Direct Pay Program - Notwithstanding the forgoing notification provision, the installation wide implementation of the Resident Direct Pay Program requires, without further notice, Residents to be responsible for the payment of either some or all utilities servicing the Home, including the payment for all electric or gas consumption (at the prevailing utility rates) in excess of the established “baseline” consumption for the Home. The methodology for calculation of the “baseline” usage consumption for the Home will be provided to Resident upon Resident’s written request.

17. **ENTRY INTO HOME:** Owner, its employees, agents and/or contractors shall have access to and may enter the Home immediately:

- a. In case of emergency; or
- b. When Resident has abandoned or surrendered the Home; or
- c. To make necessary or requested repairs, decorations, alterations, or improvements, or to supply necessary or requested maintenance or services. Resident retains the right to request an appointment for completion of necessary or requested repairs. Resident’s report of damage or request for service provides Owner permission to enter at reasonable hours (8:00 AM to 6:00 PM) without prior notice. Resident may be present; however, entry for the reasons set forth above is not conditioned upon such presence and

Resident agrees to hold Owner and Property Manager, their employees, agents and contractors harmless for such entry.

Representatives of Owner and/or Property Manager may access the Home in order to ensure that:

- a. The Home is well maintained and not in need of repair; and
- b. The Resident's use thereof is in conformity with the provisions of this Agreement and/or any other purpose permitted by applicable law.

The Home is located within exclusive federal jurisdiction of the United States and therefore under military control, which includes the Installation Commander's inherent authority and obligation to ensure good order and discipline. As such, the Installation Commander has the right and power to inspect, search and/or order the inspection or search of military persons and property within the family housing areas of Aberdeen Proving Ground.

18. **KEYS AND LOCKS:** Resident hereby acknowledges receipt of \_\_\_ keys and \_\_\_ garage door opener(s), if applicable, for the Home. Locks may not be changed, modified or added without the written permission of Owner. If such permission is granted, the Resident shall promptly furnish Owner with a new key to each lock, without charge to Owner. Any lock modifications made shall be restored to the prior condition before Resident vacates the Home, unless Owner accepts the modification, in its sole discretion. All keys and garage door opener(s) shall be turned into Owner by the earlier of:
- a. Twenty-four (24) hours after vacating the Home; or
  - b. The check-out inspection.

Failure to return any keys or garage door openers, as well as any request for replacement keys or garage door openers, will result in a charge as set forth below:

House & Mailbox Keys	\$ 10.00 each
Garage transmitter/remote	\$ 50.00 each

19. **RIGHT TO RELOCATE RESIDENTS:** Owner reserves the right to relocate Resident due to (a) scheduled/planned construction and renovation projects, or (b) dissatisfactory habitability conditions. Owner will give Resident no less than a forty five (45) day advance written notice of its decision to relocate the Resident (the "**Relocation Notice**"). Within fifteen (15) days of the date of the Relocation Notice, Resident shall inform Owner in writing whether it accepts the relocation, or if Resident elects to terminate this Agreement. In the event Resident accepts the relocation, Owner will, in its sole discretion, either directly pay for, or reimburse Resident for all reasonable costs directly associated with the physical move to a new home within the Owner's family housing area, as well as the reasonable costs of reconnection of cable, telephone, and other utilities. Notwithstanding the forgoing, relocations directed by Owner due to dissatisfactory habitability conditions caused by Resident, its occupants or guests shall be at Resident's sole cost. In such event, Resident shall also be responsible for the cost of remedying any such conditions. In the case of any relocation or termination of this Agreement pursuant to this paragraph, Resident shall be responsible for the pro-rated Rent due for all days that the Home is not fully vacated of all Occupants and personal property.
20. **PERIMETER SOIL:** The Resident acknowledges that chlordane and other pesticides may be present around the perimeter of the foundations of the Home, from the edge of the foundation to just beyond the drip-line of the roof of each building. The Resident and Occupants agree not to disturb the soil in this area.
21. **MOLD:** The Resident acknowledges that to avoid mold growth it is important to prevent excessive moisture buildup and agrees to remove visible moisture accumulation as soon as it occurs and immediately report to Owner any evidence of excess moisture or mold or mildew inside the Home. Resident acknowledges receipt of the "Mold Information and Prevention Addendum", which is fully executed and incorporated herein by reference.
22. **EVICTION:**
- a. Owner may terminate this Agreement and proceed with an eviction of the Resident in accordance with the Applicable State Law, and any applicable federal or local law in the event Resident fails to pay Rent

when due, or for one or more violations by Resident and/or Occupants of this Agreement or the RRG that affect or make threat to the health or safety of other residents in the community or substantially interfere with the right to quiet enjoyment of other residents.

- b. If Resident remains in possession of the Home after expiration of the term of this Agreement without the Owners' consent, the Resident is deemed to be in breach of this Agreement and Owner may commence an eviction action in accordance with the Applicable State Law. An eviction action may be filed no earlier than the first day following the expiration of term of the Agreement. If Resident retains possession of the Home beyond the rental period without consent of the Owner, the Resident shall be obligated to pay to the Owner's attorney fees, court costs, and any ancillary damages due to the holdover by the Resident.

23. **SERVERABILITY:** Each provision of this Agreement shall be separate and divisible. In the event that any provision or part thereof is held to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

24. **FAILURE OF OWNER/PROPERTY MANAGER TO ACT:** Failure of Owner or Property Manager to enforce any provision of this Agreement and/or insist on strict compliance with the terms of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of Owner or Property Manager's abilities or rights to enforce the provisions hereof or act on any violations in the future.

25. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND RELEASE WITH RESPECT TO NOISE:** Resident acknowledges that this unit is located on an active army base where military training exercises are conducted and that such training exercises may emit very loud noise from time to time which may exceed recommended residential noise limits and interfere with Tenant's quiet enjoyment of the unit. RESIDENT HEREBY WAIVES AND RELEASES ANY CLAIMS, ACTIONS, SUITS, AND CAUSES OF ACTION AGAINST OWNER, ITS PROPERTY MANAGER, ITS AGENTS, MEMBERS, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, ASSIGNS, SUCCESSORS, PARENTS AND AFFILIATES ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO NOISE EMITTED FROM MILITARY OPERATIONS OR TRAINING EXERCISES CONDUCTED BY THE UNITED STATES ARMY AT ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND.

EXECUTED and agreed to on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_ by  
the undersigned:

[NOTE: If there is more than one service member listed on page one, each must sign below as Resident]

**Resident**

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

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

SSN: \_\_\_\_\_

Duty Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Military Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

**Owner**

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

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: **Authorized Representative**

**Resident**

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

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

SSN: \_\_\_\_\_

Duty Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Military Unit: \_\_\_\_\_