

# Adult Foster Home Residency Agreement Quick Reference Guide

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## Residency Agreement

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### What is a Residency Agreement

A Residency Agreement is a written agreement with individuals residing in home and community based settings, including foster homes. There is a recommended template created by the Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS) to assist in meeting rule requirements. You are not required to use this template.

### How to complete the Residency Agreement?

The Residency Agreement must include, at a minimum:

- The eviction process, notice requirements, and appeal rights available to each individual
- The right of the individual to furnish and decorate their bedroom
- Policies and conditions for:
  - Designated smoking areas, in compliance with the Oregon Indoor Clean Air Act
  - Use and presence of medical marijuana, in compliance with the Oregon Medical Marijuana Act. Residency Agreement expectations for medical marijuana must be reviewed and approved by ODDS.

- Any restriction related to pets
- Monthly charges and services to be provided
- Refunds in case of departure or death

The Residency Agreement must not violate individual rights, the Oregon Administrative Rules, or Home and Community Based Settings rules.

The Residency Agreement must be given to individuals when they enter the foster home, every year after, and when there are changes. The individual and their guardian must review, sign and date the Residency Agreement.

For additional information, you can read the [ODDS Residency Agreement Guidelines](#).

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