



Volunteer Emergency Families for Children (VEFC)
VEFC Youth Shelter Home Rules

To be signed by all children 10 yrs. of age and older
Send copy to VEFC Richmond office

You are being placed in the home of a volunteer family who is a part of Volunteer Emergency Families for Children (VEFC). This volunteer host family is welcoming you into their home and does not receive any financial reimbursement for keeping you in their home. These shelter home rules are for your own well-being and protection.

During this shelter care placement I understand and agree to the following Shelter Home Rules:

- 1. Common courtesy and respect are expected at all times.
2. I understand that I am not allowed to use or be in possession of drugs or alcohol, or tobacco products of any kind.
3. Each VEFC host family has its own "House Rules". I will check with the parent when I arrive, and I am expected to follow their house rules. This includes rules about computer usage, TV, radio, bedtime, house chores, meals, rooms and spaces that are "off limits" etc.
4. I understand that phone calls are not allowed (except for those approved in advance by your case worker and the VEFC family). This includes the use of cell phones, pagers, and e-mails.
5. I understand that outside visitors (including parents) are not allowed without prior approval from the placing agency and VEFC family.
6. An inventory of your belongings will be conducted by the shelter home parent when you arrive and when you leave.
7. Knives (including pocket knives), guns or weapons of any kind are strictly forbidden.
8. I understand that under no circumstances am I allowed outside the shelter home without supervision of the shelter parent or with prior approval from VEFC or the placement agency. Exceptions to this may include attending school or going to work, but these decisions will be made before I am placed with the family.
9. I understand that I am not allowed to drive the VEFC's family car.
10. For my own protection, I understand that the VEFC family is anonymous and I will not share information about the family or give out their name, address, or phone number to anyone.
11. I understand that I can contact my caseworker, my attorney (if assigned), or my guardian ad litem (if assigned) at any time.
12. I agree to participate in approved activities in which the VEFC host family may be involved.

I understand and agree to comply with the VEFC Youth Shelter Home Rules listed above.

Youth Signature: _____ Date: _____

The following authorization is Only needed for children 10 years and older Not in DSS custody:

I further authorize the release to VEFC of all my records and reports to include, but not limited to: medical information, psychological/psychiatric reports, social summaries, discharge summary, and any other program forms needed. This consent can be cancelled in writing by me at anytime except to the extent information has already been released. This consent shall be valid only for that period reasonably necessary.

Youth Signature: _____ Date: _____

Case Worker: _____ Agency: _____

Print copy for: (to mail or Fax) VEFC Central Office Print additional copies for: VEFC Family, & VEFC Youth