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House Rules

1. Any use of alcohol or drugs is grounds for immediate expulsion. My Brother's House Recovery Services Inc. is based on the principals of 12 Step Programs. Members must obtain a verified sponsor & a home group within the first 30 days of membership. **Members are not allowed to leave premises for the first 30 days unless accompanied by a house monitor/chaperon.** Bring sponsor to the house to meet the House Manager. If you don't acquire one by the time period, you will be subject to consequences, to be determined by the House Manager.
2. No disruptive behavior is allowed. Any behavior detrimental to the serenity and recovery of any house members will not be tolerated. This includes threats, physical violence or any form of intimidation.
3. Stealing, destruction of property and violent behavior is cause for immediate expulsion. If it does not belong to you, do not use it or take it. If you damage the house, contents of the house, or another house member's property you will be expected to pay for it.
4. Absolutely no knives, weapons, or firearms of any kind are allowed on the property.
5. No one is allowed in another members' room unless invited, with the exception of My Brother's House Staff. Approved guests of a member are confined to the common areas and are **NOT** allowed in any of the bedrooms. **No overnight guests are allowed.** All guests must leave the premises by 10:00 p.m.

6. Curfew is 10:00 pm Sunday- Thursday, 12:00 am Friday and Saturday. Overnight passes must be approved in advance by the director. **No overnight pass will be authorized within the first 30 days of membership.** OVERNIGHT PASSES are earned. They will be approved only by the House Manager, and, or the owner. Only applies to persons off restrictions; has proper attitude, in good standings, has a sponsor and home group. Will be determined on a case by case basis. *Overnight Criteria and reasons for denial can be found at the bottom of the page.*
7. Members are responsible for the actions of their guests. It is your responsibility to make sure your guests follow the rules of the house. Remember, this is a group living home. If your guests are visiting frequently and/or for extended periods of times so as to become intrusive, your guest privileges may be suspended.
8. Do not disturb others!
9. No visitors that are actively using and absolutely no street prostitutes!

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10. Absolutely no sexual activity is permitted between members and/or guests.
11. Everyone is expected to sleep in their room. Sleeping or napping in the common areas is not permitted.
12. Within 30 days, all members are required to be working, attending school, or otherwise engaged in a wholesome activity. Members with unusual job requirements and /or schedules will be considered on a case by case basis and must have prior approval of staff. You must have job verification; **must provide location, job site visits as needed, phone numbers for boss and foreman.**
13. A telephone and television is available for use by all house members. Limit your time if other members are waiting to use these items.
14. Smoking or use of any tobacco product is **NOT** allowed in the house. Smoking and dipping are permitted in the designated areas **ONLY**. Back porch or outside of basement under porch.
15. If you are caught smoking in the house it will be a **\$50.00** fine for first offense. Second offense you will lose your privileges and be immediate release.
16. All members are required to complete daily and weekly chores as assigned. All members are required to clean up after themselves, keep their personal space neat and orderly, and maintain good personal hygiene.
17. Fees must be paid on time. Late payments are subject to fines.
18. Under no circumstances are you allowed to be in an establishment where Alcohol is sold to the general public. If you are with a group of people, and you want to eat there, you **MUST** ask permission from the House Manager.

19. Anyone on Parole/Probation must follow all of the terms of their Parole/Probation officer. Anyone who breaks the law while being a member at My Brother's House will be immediately released.
20. Gambling by members is strictly prohibited, that means any form of GAMBLING!
21. No pets are allowed inside or outside on the property at any time.
22. Any members who are on prescribed medications must take them on a regular basis as prescribed by your doctor. Failure to do so will result in immediate release.
23. When going to the emergency room, or a doctor, members is required to notify the attending physician that they **CAN NOT** take any narcotic medications. If members return to the house with a narcotic prescription they will be released immediately.
24. Members who are unemployed when they come to My Brother's House Recovery must be on a verifiable job search each day, Monday – Friday.
25. Chores are assigned each week by the House Manager. Chores are to be done on a daily basis, if this is not followed, the House Manager will hand out a warning, or a consequence to the members. If a pattern develops with a member not doing chores, they will be released.
 - A) If you use kitchen you must immediately clean after you're done.
 - B) You must keep clean bathroom when you are finished as well.
26. All rooms and the occupants of these rooms must be maintained in a neat orderly fashion. Laziness is not acceptable!
27. Profanity is frowned upon, so please try to curb your language. House Manager will remind you, but it is up to the members to strive to change this negative behavior.

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28. Weekly House meetings are mandatory unless previously approved by the House Manager.
29. You must attend 90 meetings in 90 days
30. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE HOUSE RULES will result in the loss of privileges, and, or immediate release.
31. Don't lend or borrow money.
32. We do drug and alcohol testing if we feel it is necessary, refusal is guilty!
33. If you are reminded too often to do house hold duties (leaving the lights on, doors unlocked, leaving air conditioning/fans on) a \$10 fee will be charged to you
34. Owners of My Brother's House Recovery Services Inc. are not responsible for any personal property lost, broken or stolen of current members or all their guests.
35. Owners of My Brother's House Recovery Services Inc. will not be liable for any personal injury on the property this includes current members and all their guests.

Overnight Criteria:

1-30 days – no overnights

31-60 days – 1 overnight

60-90 days 1 overnight and 1 weekend

90 days to 6 months – 1 overnight a week and 1 weekend a month

Overnight passes can be denied if:

- You are late on rent
- You have unpaid fines
- If you do not have 90 meetings in 90 days
- If you do not have a sponsor
- If you do not have a home group
- Habitual Negative Behavior:
 - Chores are not done
 - Not cleaning up after yourself
 - Not Following the house rules

All overnight visits must have verification to where you are going. Ex: wife, parents, significant other, etc. No friends' houses are permitted that use alcohol or drugs.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

My Brother's House Recovery Services Inc. is a recovery home which requires expulsion, without prior notice or refund of deposit and fees, of any member who is found to be:

1. Using alcohol or drugs
2. Engaging in disruptive behavior;
3. In default of payment of _____ Membership fees.

You do NOT have renter's rights or any rights of tenants pursuant to the Pennsylvania Property Code, and expressly waive any such rights in exchange for membership privileges.

I have read the above notice and understand that I am applying for membership of My Brother's House Recovery Services Inc. as a member of a sober home. I agree to abide by the responsibilities and requirements of the house and fully subject myself to the rules of the home, which include periodic/random drug testing. I understand that I am subject to immediate expulsion from the home if any of the following occur:

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1. I use alcohol or drugs **(other than prescribed medications that must be Approved by MBHRS).**
2. I engage in disruptive behavior (continued patterns of irresponsible behavior are considered disruptive behavior)
3. If I leave voluntarily at any time I am required to give a 30 day written notice to My Brother's House Recovery Services Inc. manager.
4. If any belongings (including vehicles) are left behind you have 10 days to make arrangements with My Brothers House Management to pick up belongings at our main office.
5. I understand that no monies will be refunded.
6. **By signing below, I certify that the information contained in this application is true. I have read and understand the My Brother's House Recovery Services Inc. rules and policies. I understand and accept the above conditions set forth for membership to My Brother's House Recovery Services Inc., and agree to abide by said conditions should I be accepted as a member.**

As a condition of membership and continued participation in My Brother's House Recovery Services Inc., (MBHRS), Members agree to and authorizes search of their person, possessions, and automobile by MBHRS upon the request of MBHRS; and, Additionally, the authorization to search of their person, possessions, and automobile set forth in the previous paragraph shall be exercised upon reasonable request by law enforcement authorities; Member consents to My Brother's House Recovery Services Inc., (MBHRS), granting authorization for search; prior to the grant of such authorization, My Brother's House Recovery Services Inc., (MBHRS), shall, if practicable, notify Member; in the event that such notification is not practicable, My Brother's House Recovery Services Inc., (MBHRS), will notify Member as soon as possible after grant of authorization for search. By signing this, I agree to follow all of the Rules and Conditions.

Members Signature

Date

Witness Signature

Date