



HOUSING

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



Am I required to live in company sponsored housing?

Staff members are not required to live in company housing in order to work at the Harbor View. Company sponsored housing is offered to seasonal staff on an “as-available” basis.

For options outside of company housing, the following are resources:

Martha’s Vineyard Times or MV Times

Vineyard Gazette

Craigslist: Massachusetts: Cape Cod & Islands: Search for rentals in Edgartown, Vineyard Haven, Oak Bluffs. Chilmark, Aquinnah, and Chappaquiddick are also a part of the island but are further away from the work location

Local bulletin boards: Many area businesses provide public boards where “roommates wanted” and “for rent” offers are posted

Local Facebook pages such as “MV Housing”

What is the cost of housing?

Rent is \$125.00 per week at all housing locations. There is also a \$100.00 housing deposit.

Are single rooms available?

There are typically no single rooms available. Most rooms must be shared to accommodate capacity needs.

Can I room with someone I know?

Once you are offered and accept a job, and confirmed housing availability, you may submit roommate requests to human resources at hrd@harbor-view.com. We will do our best to accommodate when possible. Otherwise, all room assignments and roommates are assigned randomly.

Is housing for couples available?

Couples may request to live together as roommates, and human resources will do its best to accommodate. However, sometimes co-ed housing is not always an option due to accommodating capacity needs.



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Can I have a pet in company housing?

Unfortunately, none of our landlords allow pets of any kind in housing.

When can I arrive in company housing?

Residents may arrive no earlier than 2 days before their first day of work. Otherwise, the housing may not be vacant or prepared.

I want friends/family to visit me. Can they stay with me in housing?

We offer our staff members a family/friends rate at our hotels. We do not accommodate overnight guests in any of our housing locations.

How far is the housing from the hotel?

Some of the housing locations are within walking distance to the hotel. Those that are not have access to the island's public transportation system close by. Some of our staff members bring or purchase bicycles and ride those to work.

What are the housing units like?

The Harbor View does not own any of its housing. Instead, it rents various housing options from private landlords on the island.

We rent housing that is shared dormitory style that is within walking distance or on the bus system. There is a shared kitchen area within each building. One dorm location has internet available as well as coin washers and dryers.

We also rent private houses. Most often, the houses are 2, 3, or 4 bedrooms. Typically, 2-3 residents are in each room (depending on room size). Most private houses have a washer/dryer on-site. They also have shared kitchen areas. Private houses are usually within walking distance, biking distance, or on the bus-line.

In all locations, residents are expected to keep their rooms clean and in good order. Inspections are routinely conducted to ensure health and fire safety as well as to monitor for damages and policy violations.

Do I have to sign anything to move in?

All residents must sign a housing agreement to reside in company sponsored housing.

When do I have to move out?

Staff may only occupy company sponsored housing so long as they are employed by the hotel. If, for any reason, they are no longer employed, they must remove their personal property and vacate company housing. Most often, staff are provided with 24 hours after their last day of work to vacate housing.

What is provided and what should I bring?

We will provide sheets, blanket, and a pillow. Residents should bring their own towels, toiletries, and additional blankets. Some locations have internet. Others, the roommates purchase the internet together directly from Comcast. Most locations have laundry facilities on-site. Private houses have furnishings as well as dishes available. Dorm locations have a small fridge in room. Residents are encouraged to bring their own dishes for them to use in the shared kitchen area within the dorm locations.

What are the quiet hours?

Quiet hours are from 10:00pm to 7:00am seven days a week. This is in accordance with Edgartown's noise ordinance.