



# EC Manchester: Homestay

## DESCRIPTION OF ACCOMMODATION

Staying with a homestay provider is both exciting and rewarding. Homestay providers offer the best insight into daily British culture and life. This interaction helps you communicate better and faster, and allows you to pick up words and phrases used in daily situations.

The homestay, chosen by EC or one of its accommodation partners consists of mixed gender accommodation with a single or twin room. Each room is furnished with a bed, desk/table, chest of drawers or a wardrobe, mirror and a waste paper basket. Some rooms have TVs. Additionally, you will have access to common areas such as the lounge, kitchen and dining room. It is important that rooms and living areas are kept neat and tidy. You will also have access to a shared bathroom. Bed linen and towels are provided by the homestay provider, who will offer one wash per week - anything extra will be at the homestay's discretion. Internet access is available and telephone access is restricted to incoming calls only.

## MEAL DESCRIPTION

A variety of food is provided. Homestay providers may adjust the type of food offered when taking into consideration religious beliefs. It is important to mention this at the time of your booking. Vegetarians, or people with food allergies should specify their eating options upon booking so this can be shared with their host prior to arrival. Breakfast varies from one homestay to another. It is usually self-service and includes bread, coffee and cereal. Hosts are encouraged to offer students whatever is typical for their home. Students will eat whatever the hosts eat and we encourage them to set the table or clear up after dinner. Dinners are usually quite early in Britain but hosts will inform the student of the time when they eat. It is important that the student informs the host beforehand should they be late or are not having dinner.

## AIRPORT PICK-UP

If you have booked an **arrival transfer** with EC then please walk to Arrow Cars stand, just outside the terminal at Manchester Airport. You must give your name to the person working there. A taxi will be waiting to take you home.

## JOURNEY TO SCHOOL

Our homestays are typically 25 minutes to 45 minutes from school. Students use public transport or walk to school.

## AVAILABLE

Throughout the year

## ACCOMMODATION ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DAY

- **Arrival:** Saturday
- **Departure:** Saturday

## NOTES

- Students may be given a house key.
- Smoking is not permitted in any of the homestays.
- Wifi/ internet facilities must be requested upon booking
- Special requirements must be specified when booking this type of accommodation.
- Some homes may have pets. Should students be allergic or prefer not to live with a pet they should indicate this on their preferences when booking.
- Bed linen is provided