SELF-ORGANIZED ACCOMMODATION SEARCH
IN THE OPEN MARKET

Tips and Links for searching on your own

We recommend that you search online for accommodation. Be aware that certain months are difficult, for example, March/April and September/October due to the influx of new students moving to Regensburg. So make sure that you start your search early on (3 months before your arrival). Below are some helpful tips and links.

Tips:

• A new law governing commission policies (Bestellerprinzip) states that the party ordering the service from brokers or agencies (Makler) is the party who pays commission. Thus, you will usually not have to pay an agent’s fee, particularly when you find your apartment on an online portal.

• Be sure to distinguish between “möbliert” (furnished) and “unmöbliert” (unfurnished)! If you are staying longer and are open to an unfurnished apartment, be sure that at least the main kitchen (EBK “Einbauküche”) is included. This is not always the case in Germany.

• The neighborhoods nearest to the university are called Galgenberg, Kumpfmühl, and Königswiesen. Neighborhoods nearer to the old town are called Innenstadt, Altstadt, Stadtamhof, or Westenviertel. Offers in the eastern part of town (Osten) in the north (Konradsiedlung, Nord) or in the south (Ziegetsdorf, Pentling) can also be alright. Almost all neighborhoods have good bus connections to the university.

• Please be aware of offers that may be scams. Never provide too much personal information or transfer money through these sites without having signed a contract first. Beware of offers claiming to send the key in the mail after receipt of payment – these are scams. If a link you are interested in may be a scam, feel free to contact us for assistance!

Links:

• www.immonet.de/
• www.immobilienscout24.de/
• www.immowelt.de/
• www.wg-gesucht.de (A WG is to live together with someone, but you can search for an individual apartment here as well)
• www.studenten-wg.de
- kleinanzeigen.ebay.de/anzeigen/s-wohnung-mieten/93051/wohnung/k0c203l7654
- www.dreamflat.de/wg-regensburg/
- www.zwischenmiete.de (be sure to scroll down to “Regensburg” in the small orange bar that says “Anzeigen in”)
- www.mitwohnzentrale-regensburg.de
- www.mittelbayerische.de/immobilien/

**Abbreviations and terms:**

Classified ads use many abbreviations, which are often difficult to understand. Here you will find a list of the most common ones:

- **kalt** = rent, excluding all utilities
- **warm** = rent including most utilities (normally except electricity)
- **möbliert** = furnished
- **unmöbliert** = unfurnished
- 2 Zi. Whg = two-room apartment
- 2 ZKB = two rooms, kitchen, bathroom
- zzgl. NK = "Nebenkosten" additional costs such as rubbish fees, taxes
- EBK = „Einbaurküche“ fitted kitchen
- Blk = „Balkon“ balcony
- ZH = „Zentralheizung“ central heating
- K = „Kaution“ security deposit (to be returned to you when you leave the apartment in good condition)
- NR = „nicht Raucher“ non-smoker
- WG = „Wohngemeinschaft“ people sharing an apartment, each with his/her own bedroom but with shared kitchen and bathroom
- mit Stellplatz = parking spot included (sometimes an extra fee is charged)