

Sample Interview Questions

Here are some things you might want to discuss during an interview:

Start off by telling them what you need in terms of rent and services as well as what space and amenities you are offering in your home.

Have you shared housing before (other than with your immediate family)?

What is your current living situation?

How long have you lived in the area?

Where have you lived before?

What is your work and education experience?

What is your daily routine? (work schedule, meal times, exercise)

What do you like to do in your spare time and on weekends? (TV, musical tastes, visit friends)

Do you want to have guests?

Daytime Evening

Overnight Romantic overnights

Will you be spending time away (vacations, weekends away)?

Are you willing to let me know when you are leaving and when you expect to be back?

(I will do the same for you.)

GENERAL SERVICES

If there is going to be a work exchange as part of the homesharing arrangement, ask the candidate about his or her ability and interest in providing the service you are looking for.

If you are asking your homesharer to drive you as part of the service exchange, ask to see their license and current insurance card.

What kind of cooking do you do? (If you are asking for help with cooking, specify your food preferences.)

ABOUT YOUR HOME

List what options are being offered for the physical space of your home:

Number of bedrooms

Furnished or unfurnished room

Private or shared bath

Parking

Accessibility

Laundry facilities

Storage space (including space for food storage)

Internet service or cable service (if not provided can it be added at homesharer's expense?)

Home related questions for the candidate:

Will you bring furniture with you, and if so, what?

Do you own guns or other weapons? If yes, where would you keep them if homesharing?

Do you have your own phone?

Do you want internet service and/or cable?

Discuss how you would like to handle food expenses (i.e. whether food would be shared or bought separately).

HEALTH/LEGAL INFORMATION

Do you drink alcohol? If so, how much? Are you a smoker?

Have you ever been convicted of a crime? If so, please explain.

Do you have allergies?