



Green Living in Student Housing

**Selkirk College is committed to environmental sustainability!
Let's work together towards a sustainable future.
Small changes. Big impact.**

GREEN PACKING LIST

- Reusable coffee mug.** Use your mug in the cafeteria and get a discount!
- Reusable water bottle.** Fill up your water bottle at one of the many taps around campus. We love Kootenay tap water!
- Food storage containers.** Reduce your food waste by saving leftovers. Bring your own reusable container to the cafeteria instead of using a disposable takeout container!
- Reusable utensil set.** Carry a fork, knife and spoon with you so you never need to use disposables! Great sets are available in campus bookstores.
- Reusable shopping bags.** Bring these with you to the grocery store or bookstore and reduce the need for single-use plastic bags!
- Electric power bar.** Many devices use energy even when turned off! Plug all your devices into a power bar and flip that one switch when they are not in use.
- Warm bedding and clothing.** Conserve energy by putting on a sweater or adding an extra blanket before turning up the heat. A sweater is better!
- Rechargeable batteries.** Use and reuse these many times! If you do have disposable batteries, make sure they get recycled properly in our battery recycling boxes on campus.
- Eco-friendly laundry detergent and soap.** Be kind to our waterways and choose environmentally-friendly products.
- Clothes drying rack.** Hang your washed clothes to dry on a rack instead of using a clothes dryer. This saves a ton of energy!
- A bicycle!** Biking is an excellent way to reduce your impact on the environment. Don't forget a helmet, lock and lights!

Sustainable Living Tips!

- Open the curtains to bring in natural light instead of turning on the lights
- Turn off your computer monitor when it is not in use
- Use the campus composting program for fruit and veggie scraps (if available on your campus)
- Ditch plastic water bottles and drink from the tap. Our campuses have excellent clean tap water!
- Sort out your recycling! Make sure items are clean before they go in the bins.
- Find the transit schedule or carpool when going out.
- Take shorter showers to save water and energy
- Wash your laundry on cold cycle to reduce your energy use.
- Before tossing something out, see if someone else could use it, or donate it to a local thrift store
- Encourage others in student housing to live sustainably as well!

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