



Eirlingua Language School Guidelines

To help you enjoy your stay in Ireland

Enjoy yourself: We will do everything to ensure that you **have a great time** in Ireland.

Look out! Look right, then left: In Ireland, traffic comes from the right – the **opposite** of your country.

Family: Your host family are your family for your stay here – they are not there to serve you.

Please, Thank you and Sorry: In Ireland we usually say “**Please**” when we ask for something, “**Thank you**” when we get something and “**Sorry**” when we don’t understand or if we want someone to move out of our way. We also say “**I’d like**” instead of “I want”.

Speak English: That’s why you’re here. Don’t think of English as a subject at school, but as a way of communicating with your friends, your host family and your teachers. Try to **speak English** as much as possible.

Don’t Panic: If you don’t understand what someone says, **don’t panic**. Ask them to repeat or speak more slowly. Little by little you will understand more and more.

Help: Your teachers are there **to help** you, so **please speak to us** if you have any questions.

Don’t worry: Don’t worry about making mistakes. **Everyone makes mistakes** - that’s how you learn.

Participate: The more you **participate** in a workshop, an activity or an excursion, the more you will enjoy it.

Make an effort: **The more effort** you put into activities, **the more** you will **enjoy** them, and the more you learn.

Respect: Respect yourself, your fellow students, your teachers and your host family.

No problem: There is no problem too big or too small for us to solve. If you have a problem, speak to one of your teachers about it (in private) **immediately** and we’ll do our best to solve it. We are there. We can solve problems there. Please **don’t** wait until the end of your trip to tell us about a problem!

Family Rules: If a student misbehaves or causes problems for their family, the school will **phone your parents**. If this doesn’t change the situation, the school will **send you home early** at your parents’ expense.

Workshops: If a student misbehaves or causes problems in workshops, the school will **phone your parents**. If the situation doesn’t change, the school will **send you home early** at your parents’ expense.

Property: If a student defaces property, you will have to clean it at your own expense and the school will **phone your parents**. If this doesn’t change the situation, the school will **send you home early** at your parents’ expense.

Irish Law: It is **illegal** to buy or consume alcohol under the age of 18. It is **illegal** to consume any kind of drug at any age. **Shoplifting** (stealing in shops) is a **criminal offence**. If you break the law, the school will **send you home early** at your parents’ expense.

I have read and understood the *Eirlingua Language School Guidelines*. I have also read and understood the *Family and Workshop Rules* and the rules about *Property*. The section on *Irish Law* is also clear.

Name: _____ Signed: _____, Institut de l’Arboç, 13 April 2026