

# STUDY OF BACKPACKER HOSTEL AND THEIR BASIC REQUIREMENTS

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**Abstract** – A study tells that backpackers hostels is a place where one could have experience one could able to learn different thing with the living surrounding in this project various elements and of the backpackers hostel have being covered their anthropometry and a deep research over the spaces required in a hostel and a detail about the dimension of the places such as kitchen ,washroom ,dormitories .This study also consist of the basic requirement or we can say the terms and conditions which one should have to follow while having accommodation inside the hostels .This study also dells with various accepts of the backpackers hostels the primary research also dells with the space distribution and maximum coverage area of a particular area and a ratio of elements covered inside the region this study also deals with the huge difference which a person didn't knew about hostel and hotels .further, study provide a basic idea which one should follow while designing a backpackers hostel.

**Key Words** Accommodation, Coverage area, Anthropometry, space distribution.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

A hostel is a budget-oriented, shared-room ("dormitory") accommodation that accepts individual travelers (typically backpackers) or groups for short-term stays, and that provides common areas and communal facilities. To be considered a hostel, the property must provide short-term, shared (dormitory-style) accommodation for individual travelers, though many hostels also provide private rooms. The word "dormitory" refers to a room where travelers independently book individual beds in a shared room as opposed to booking entire rooms like in a hotel or guesthouse.

These funky and creative hostels are often independently run, providing a place to sleep for travelers and backpackers. Think of these more as hotels, except they're much cheaper and offer dormitory beds or basic rooms. They also try to foster a welcoming and communal atmosphere, so these are both budget-friendly and super fun places to stay.

## 1.1 IMPORTANCE OF BACKPACKERS HOSTEL

A hostel is the only place in the world whose primary task is to take care of you, your needs, wishes and satisfaction 24 hours a day. Every profession has its duties, its mission and what it strives for. The mission of a hostel is to make you feel good. Not good but great! Spaces created by imaginative architects, with superb materials, an original design, intoxicating scents, discrete ambient lighting, cheerful personnel, beauty and health treatments in attractively designed rooms, and enchanting gardens full of splendid flowers and beautifully shaped plants. Providing accommodation is never just about taking care of basic needs.

## 1.2 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HOSTEL AND HOTEL

There are two main differences between hostels and hotels: the price, and the people.

Staying in a hostel will save you huge amounts of money, whether it's a six month backpacking trip through Southeast Asia with your mates, or a long weekend in any place of world.

But the main reason people stay in hostels isn't the price, it's the people.

The social atmosphere in hostels is totally unique, and it's what makes hostelling so addictive. It can transform your trip from a sightseeing tour into a more meaningful experience.

You'll meet new friends from all over the world. You'll cook together, drink together, and go on adventures together.

You'll get tips from the hostel staff, some of who might have exclusive local knowledge and others who are travelers just like us.

In terms of facilities, location and safety, hostels can easily give hotels a run for their money.

They've got rooftop pools, king-size beds, 24/7 security and en-suite bathrooms. below comparison is based on the bases of 3 star and 4 star hotel with backpackers hostel

Basis	Hostel	Hotel
<b>Price</b>	The price of hostel is less as compared to the hotel	The price is higher because of private rooms.
<b>Facilities</b>	Hostel provide all the facilities as hotel provide but that is not luxrioury	Hotels generally provide more luxurious facilities
<b>Meals</b>	Hostel provide a facility of pantry where one can cook by itself also .	Hotels generally provide more luxurious facilities no special pantry is provided
<b>Location</b>	It is found inside the city near bus stop railway station and many more	It is found at a specific part not convenient to all places .
<b>Rooms</b>	They provide the facilities of both shared room (dormitories) as well as private rooms.	They only provide facilities of private rooms.

Table 1

**2. BASIC REQUIREMENT OF SPACE**

• **COMMON SITING AREA**

A room provided for sitting and sharing common interests of the people and shares the values knowing about each other in May such ways.

• **DORMITORIES**

A room containing a number of beds and serving as communal sleeping quarters, as in an institution, fraternity house, or passenger ship.

• **PRIVATE ROOM**

Guests have the whole place to themselves. This usually includes a bedroom, a bathroom, and a kitchen. Private room: Guests have their own private room for sleeping.

• **OUTDOOR SITING AND SOMKING AREA** Use of an adjacent, outside area by a food or beverage establishment for the same eating and drinking

activities that occur within the establishment. The outdoor dining area may be located in a public right-of-way pursuant to this chapter.

• **GAMEZONE**

An area of relives and entertainment made up for children’s to enjoy and reduce stress of their life.

• **PARKING**

Off street parking in front of our entrance. We have closed circuit cameras facing the car park too! Parking spaces can’t be booked ahead. There is a charge for parking.

• **KITCHEN**

Save your cash and cook up your favorite meals in our fully equipped, self-catering kitchen.

• **LUGGAGE STORAGE ROOM**

No more hassles of waiting for the reception to find your money belt! All private rooms offer a safe with your own code (no keys) and there are additional safes free of charge around the hostel. Most dorms also have lockers for your luggage – but bring your own lock. Choose between normal and laptop safes. If you are planning to go away for a few days, you may store your luggage for R20 per day

• **CANTEEN/CAFE**

A cafeteria, sometimes called a canteen outside the U.S., is a type of food service location in which there is little or no waiting staff table service.

• **WASHROOM**

There are total 5 common washrooms for the people in dormitories and private room have their own Washroom there is common washrooms in living room as well.

**3. AREA DISTRIBUTION AND SPACE DETAILS**

• **BEDROOM**

1 .A minimum floor space per bed (or bunk) of 4 square meters (44 square feet) to be provided. This area will be calculated on the basis of the maximum dimensions of the room divided by the number of bed bases in the room.

Bed bases will be totaled as follows:

Bunk bed = 1 Single bed = 1 Double bed = 2

The impact of furniture (lockers, bedside tables etc.) Will not be considered in this calculation. However, It should be recognized that rooms just meeting or marginally exceeding this minimum requirement, are

unlikely to achieve high marks in the quality assessment of Space, Comfort & Ease of Us.

2. A minimum ceiling height of 2 meters (6'7"). Sloping eaves or combed ceilings are acceptable, providing these do not restrict reasonable free movement through the major part of the room
3. All bedrooms to have an external opening window to provide natural light and ventilation. All windows to have opaque curtains or blinds for privacy and light exclusion.
4. Bedrooms to be adequately lit for the safety and well being of guests.
5. Beds / bed spaces must be at least 1.9m (6'3") x 0.76m (2'6") (including alpine platforms). Please Note: Full sized (6'3" x 3') beds are required.
6. The vertical distance between upper and lower beds in any bunk must not be less than 0.75m (30").

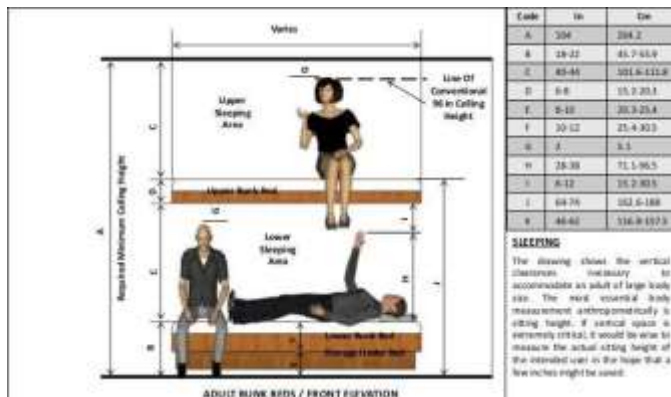


FIGURE 1

**KITCHEN**

1. The kitchen to be designated a non-smoking area with appropriate signage.
2. A smoke alarm or heat detector to be installed.
3. A fire extinguisher suitable for kitchen fires and a fire blanket to be provided.
4. Kitchen to be properly equipped with an adequate number of utensils (pots, pans, food preparation knives etc.) which enables, as a minimum, 20% of the maximum number of guests to make food at the same time.
5. A minimum of 4 cooking rings to be provided. Where the total number of bed spaces exceeds 32 an additional cooking ring is to be provided for every further 8 bed spaces. i.e.
  - 32 beds: 4 cooking rings
  - 40 beds: 5 cooking rings
  - 48 beds: 6 cooking rings
  - 56 beds: 7 cooking rings etc

6. An oven or microwave and a grill to be provided. Each of these to be provided at a minimum ratio of 1 per 50 guests accommodated.
10. Facilities for boiling water to be provided e.g. kettle or geyser.
11. Dry food storage facilities to be provided, appropriate for the number of guests accommodated, e.g. open shelving or cupboards.
12. Kitchen area to have effective ventilation.
13. A covered waste disposal bin and liners to be provided.
14. Adequate washing up facilities with hot and cold running water and washing up liquid to be available.
15. Adequate hygienic work surface to be provided.

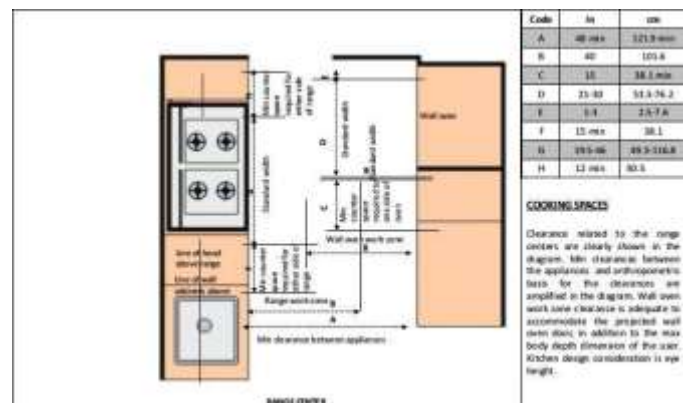


FIGURE 2

**Bath, WC and Shower Facilities**

1. Shower, washbasins and WC's to bed space ratios must meet or exceed minimum levels: (Properties in Northern Ireland will be required to meet the tourism legislation)
  - ☑ 1 Star 1:10
  - ☑ 2 Stars: 1:10
  - ☑ 3 Stars: 1:6
  - ☑ 4 Stars: 1:6
2. There must be privacy between sexes for washing/showers and toilet facilities and wherever possible between members of the same sex and clearly designated.
3. All bath, shower and WC rooms to be adequately ventilated
4. Hand drying facilities and soap required in all public WC facilities.
5. All WCs to be lidded with a toilet roll holder, toilet paper and sanitary disposal bin (where appropriate) provided
6. Bath/Shower facilities to have clothes hooks and soap trays within each cubicle.

7. A shelf and electric razor point (or adapter available) with a mirror and towel rail close by to be provided.

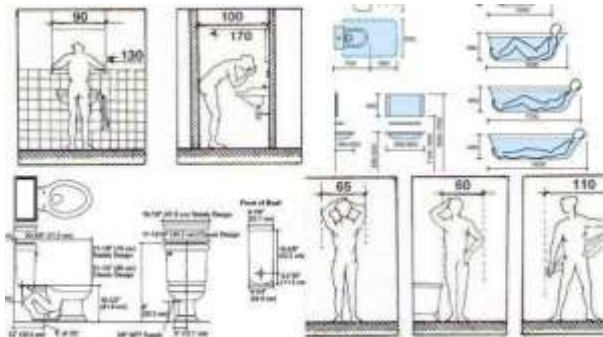


FIGURE 3

#### 4 GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITION TO BE FOLLOWED IN HOSTEL WHILE ACCOMMODATION

- All guests must be of at least 18 years of age to be able to check-in at the Hostel.
- It is mandatory for guests to present valid photo identification at the time of check-in. According to Government regulations, a valid Photo ID has to be carried by every person staying at the hostel.
- The identification proofs accepted are Passport, Aadhar Card, Driving License and Voter ID card. PAN Card is not accepted as a valid ID Card. Guests with Local IDs will not be allowed admission.
- Zostel is committed towards solo travelers and young backpackers and hence we do not recommend families to stay with us. In case you are travelling with a family, a hotel would be more suitable to your needs.
- Advance taken at the time of reservations is strictly non-refundable.
- Prepayment is mandatory at the property during Check-In
- Nonresident guests are not allowed inside the rooms. In case you want to invite someone, you can meet with them in the common areas
- In case of 3 or 4 people travelling together, please note that we do not guarantee accommodation in the same dorm room
- Different destinations and properties may have different policies during specific times of the year.
- Guest are responsible for their own personal belongings.
- Outside pets are not allowed.
- Breakfast is not inclusive of the room rate cited. It is charged over and extra at the property only.

- Should any action by a guest be deemed inappropriate by the Hostel, or if any inappropriate behavior is brought to the attention of the hostel, the hostel reserves the right, after the allegations have been investigated, to take action against the guest.
- Right to admission is reserved.
- Certain polices are booking specific and they are notified at the time of booking

#### 5. CONCLUSIONS

It was found that ideals that backpackers hold during the trip in Country revolve around making experiences by traveling on a low-budget, making extended stays in places visited, pursuing independence and freedom in one's travel choices, experiencing hardship, meeting local people as well as other backpackers and engaging in the activities while traveling

These mostly reflect what has been until now seen in the backpacking studies and relate to the idea of building the experience that would importantly be different from the one of conventional tourists. It can be stressed that the ideal of engaging in activities while traveling is salient in the accounts of backpackers for whom only traveling is not enough to make a real experience. Thus, especially among more experienced backpackers there is a notion emerging as it is shown in this study that only extended stays and meeting local people is not enough in order to make a proper backpacking experience. A backpacker ideally also seeks to experience "life" in a country visited.

#### 5.1 FUTURE WORK

The project work of backpackers hostel and their basic requirement does not end up here the future study can also deals with the experience of people who stayed in a hostel and also deals with the facilities and their furniture placements and types of furniture used in the backpackers hostel.

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