# THE BOOKING MANUAL

**BOOKING ROUND: SUMMER** 









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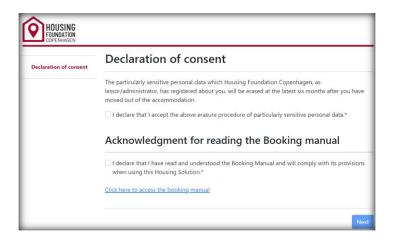


## **HOW TO MAKE A BOOKING**

In the manual, we will describe how you can successfully make a booking and make changes to the booking. Please log on to your **Housing account** by clicking on the link in the **invitation email** and the **login details**.

## 1. DECLARATION OF CONSENT

Upon gaining access to the booking system, you will have to declare that you accept our procedure for sensitive personal data as well as that you have read the Booking Manual and agree with the terms and conditions of The Housing Foundation Copenhagen's rules.

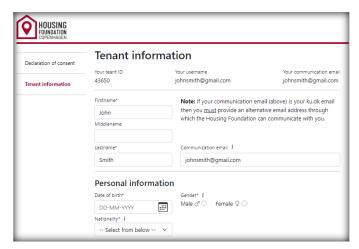


## 2. TENANT INFORMATION

In this section, you must fill out your personal details.

If you have been invited with your KU-email, you will need to change it to another e-mail address to proceed to the next step. As soon as the email address has been changed, it will be your new communication email, but your username will remain the same (used for logging onto your housing

account).



### TENANTS HOME ADDRESS

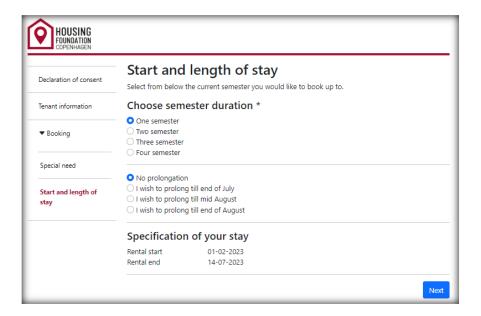
The section" tenants home address" is your permanent home address which will be stated on your rental contract.

## 3. BOOKING

### START AND LENGTH OF STAY

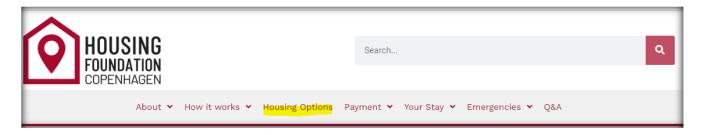
We only offer housing during the summer in the months of July and August. The minimum rental requirement in one month and maximum 2 months.

The dates under "Specification of your stay" are non-editable and they are simply search dates and the exact contract start dates are shown for the different rooms under the 'Vacant accommodations' section.



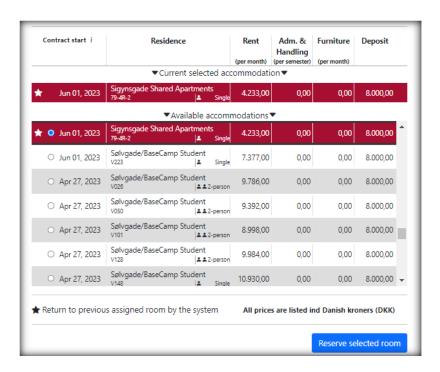
## **VACANT ACCOMMODATIONS**

To see the type of rooms and detailed description of our accommodations please click <u>here</u> to go to our **website**. You will find the different options under the **'Housing options'** category as shown below on our website.



In the **Vacant accommodations** section you can see all the rooms that are vacant for booking. Initially, the system will automatically pre- select the cheapest room available and reserve it for 15 minutes. This pre-selected room is marked with this sign in blue **©**.

Please pay attention to the <u>Contract start</u> date for your selected room, as this is will determine the start date of your rental contract. These dates are non-modifiable, so you cannot request that we change these for you. You can always see more details for each room by clicking on the selected room and a new page will pop-up.



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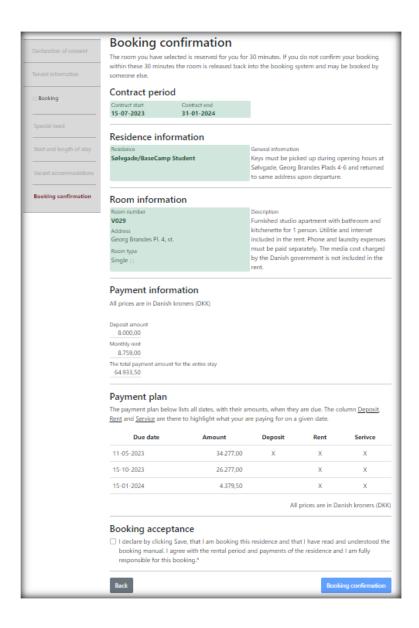
Always remember to refresh the **Vacant Accommodation** section to make sure you are seeing the latest updated information. As someone else might have booked the room, you have selected if you have waited for more than 15 minutes before clicking 'Reserve selected room'.

## **STEPS FOR BOOKING ROOM**

- Select the room you would like to book by clicking on the left column. The room you have selected becomes red and you can also see the selected room on the top row.
- Click on Reserve selected room
- You will then be directed to the **Booking confirmation** page

### **BOOKING CONFIRMATION**

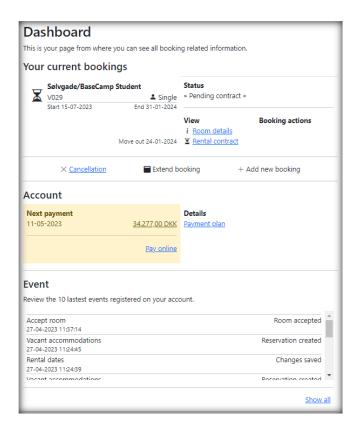
In this section, you are confirming your booking and acknowledge that you agree to our terms and conditions. Therefore, please read the information in this section very carefully including the contract start and end dates as well as the information of the room that you are about to book. Please note, the selected room is only reserved for 15 minutes after which it is released back in the booking system for others to book.



If you do not wish to book this room, then DO NOT click "Booking confirmation". Instead, simply click on Back to go back to Vacant accommodations section.

### DASHBOARD

This is your page where you can see a summary of your booking(s) and information related to your booking(s). It also allows you to cancel your booking, extend your bookings, add new booking, make payments etc.



## 4. CONTRACT & OTHER DOCUMENTS

Once you have successfully made a booking, you will receive **an email** within an hour for signing the Rental Contract online via **digital signature or MitID**. Check your spam folder if you do not receive the mail on time. The email will contain:

- the rental contract in Danish (required as per Danish Law)
- Supplemental document which is a translation of §10 and §11 of the rental contract (a demo contract in English can be found on our website <u>here</u>)
- Declaration of Consent
- House Rules
- a Service Contract (only for rooms in Signalhuset, Øresundskollegiet & Tietgenkollegiet)

#### **RENT REGULATION**

The specified **annual rent in §3** is the rent at the time of entering the contract. The **rent will be regulated** once a year on 1 February for all dorms except for **Signalhuset**, which will be regulated each year on 1 August.

This means the rent in 'Payment Plan' is the applicable rent for the period until the next regulation. When the new rent is known, a notice will be sent informing about the rent regulation, and the rent will then appear in the 'Payment plan'.

For tenancies in social dorms, in addition to the rent, an **Administration and Handling Fee** must be paid, which is charged per semester on 1 February and 1 August. Regulation of the Administration and Handling Fee takes place once a year on 1 February.

#### SIGNING CONTRACTS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

Once we send the contract email to you, you have to digitally sign the documents within three days. If you did a booking with an immediate start date (today), then you will have to sign and pay within 24 hours.

If you do not respect this deadline, you risk that your booking is cancelled without further notice. This might imply a cancellation fee.

#### **REJECT SIGNATURE**

If you click on the Reject signature button then your booking will automatically by cancelled.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING BOOKING

Please consider the following information thoroughly before making a booking:

- Sign the contract and other documents within three days. Otherwise, you risk losing your booking. You risk cancellation of your booking without any further notice if you do not sign your contract on time.
- Pay on time: Please refer to the Account section in your Dashboard where you can see your next payment due date as well as access your Payment plan.

## IMMEDIATE BOOKINGS - CONTRACTS THAT START THE SAME DAY AS MAKING THE BOOKING

If you book a room where the contract begins immediately (the same days as making the booking), you must abide by a number of additional parameters. Before you make a booking, please be aware of the following:

- The contract must be signed on the same day, otherwise you risk losing the booking. The three-day rule does not apply. Cancellation fee will still apply.
- The payment must be made on the same day, as the rental period has already begun. You will need to pay the deposit plus three months of rent.
- You cannot cancel the booking manually. You will need to notify our office immediately if you want to cancel the booking and a cancellation fee will apply.

• You must confirm your booking within 24 hours. You will receive a separate e-mail regarding your 'Booking Confirmation'. You need to reply to this e-mail immediately to confirm your booking, otherwise you risk losing the booking.

## CONTRACTS THAT START LESS THAN 14 DAYS AFTER MAKING THE BOOKING

If you book a room that starts within 14 days after making the booking then you must abide by the following:

- The contract must be signed within 3 days and before the contract start date, otherwise you risk losing your booking. The three-day rule does not apply if the booking starts before three days.
- The payment must be made before the contract start date. You may check the due date on your flow once the booking has been made.
- You cannot cancel your booking manually. You will need to notify our office immediately if you want to cancel the booking and a cancellation fee will apply.
- You need to confirm your booking. You will receive a 'Booking Confirmation' e-mail separately and you need to reply to this e-mail to confirm your booking.

## **PAYMENT**

It is important to pay within the deadline.

## Bookings with more than 14 days before contract start date:

You must pay within 14 days of the initial booking.

## Bookings with less than 14 days before contract start date:

If your contract begins within 14 days of your booking, then you must make sure you pay in time for the contract start date. Please read more about your **payment plan <u>here</u>**.

## **Bookings with immediate start date:**

If you book a room with an immediate contract start date, you will have to do your payment and sign your contracts within 24 hours.

During your stay it is your own responsibility to follow the payment plan, as you do not receive an invoice from the Housing Foundation. Failing to pay on time will result in late payment reminder <u>fees.</u>

### **PAYMENT METHODS**

The Housing Foundation offers three different payment methods: via credit/debit card, bank transfer and by using Mobile Pay app. Please read about these methods to see which is best for you.

For all three payment methods The Housing Foundation Copenhagen charges a payment fee per payment.

#### 1. PAYMENT VIA CREDIT/DEBIT CARD

A separate company called Teller/Nets provides the online payment platform for this. Teller/Nets accepts all kinds of credit and debit cards. By using the online payment platform, you avoid paying the fee we charge for manually returning your deposit. Please note that it is not possible to pay via American Express cards.

However, in some rare cases Teller/Nets may apply charges for using a credit/debit card. The charges are automatically added to the amount you have selected to pay to The Housing Foundation Copenhagen when you use the online payment platform. These extra charges to Teller/Nets will not appear in your Payment Plan, as they are not paid to The Housing Foundation Copenhagen. However, they will appear on your credit card or bank statement. Therefore, it is up to you to decide whether paying by credit/debit card is cheaper than making a bank transfer or using the Mobile Pay app.

To ensure that we can return your deposit to you without extra costs, please note the following when paying the deposit and first instalments by credit/debit card:

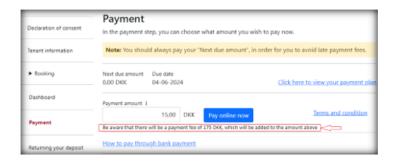
- Ensure that the credit/debit card will still be valid 6 months after the end of your contract, when making the payment. This is when we will attempt to return the deposit directly to your card.
- The deposit will be returned to the latest used credit/debit card if the amount paid equals to your deposit amount, if the amount you paid with the latest used credit/debit card is less than your

deposit refund amount we will not be able to refund via credit/debit card. Please have that in mind when you make your last payment.

If it is not possible to refund to your credit/debit card, we will have to return the deposit to your bank account, which <u>will entail a transfer charge</u>. Please find more information <u>here</u>.

## HOW TO MAKE YOUR PAYMENTBY CREDIT/DEBIT CARD:

- Click on the Pay online button in Dashboard or go directly to the Payment section via the left-side
- The first time you click on **Pay online** or **Payment** you will be requested to agree to the **Terms and conditions**
- Click on the **Payment amount** box and type the amount you wish to pay and click on **Pay online now**. (You can choose to pay the full amount for the entire rental period or you can choose to pay individual amounts as they become due).



"Please note that there will be a payment fee of DKK 175 which will be added to the payment amount above (payment amount DKK 15 and payment fee DKK 175 = DKK 190)."



- A new window for paying via credit/debit card will appear.
- When you pay via credit/debit card we receive the money immediately and this will be shown on your Payment plan under Credit (money paid) column

#### 2. PAYMENT VIA BANK TRANSFER

You can find The Housing Foundation bank details on our <u>website</u>. It is important to type your Tenant ID when making the bank transfer in the message to sender box so that we can identify your payment.

Please remember to include both your own bank's fees as well as The Housing Foundation Copenhagen's fee for reception of payments via bank transfer. Otherwise, you will find that you have transferred less than the due amount.

### 3. PAYMENT VIA MOBILE PAY

You can find the Housing Foundation MobilePay details on our website. It is important to type your Tenant ID in the message field, for us to allocate the payment to your account. Please remember to include The Housing Foundation payment fee to your amount.

## **CHANGING ROOMS**

Everyone is allowed to change rooms once during their tenancy. When changing rooms, the system will create a combined booking where your contract for your current room will be shortened to match the start date of the next booking. You are financially responsible for both bookings. If you do not sign your rental contract within the 3 days deadline, we will cancel your new booking and you will be charged early cancellation fee.

Please note, that once your new booking is cancelled it means that your current room will be shortened and you will have to move out on your new end date.

The system will automatically change your payment plan and transfer any already made payments from the old to the new room booking.

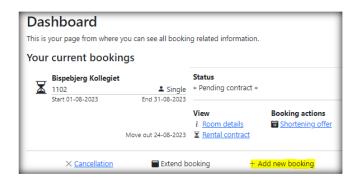
Note, that you cannot change rooms if living in Bikuben, Øresundskollegiet, or Tietgenkollegiet, as these dorms wish to have only long-term tenants. RMC & ITU students are also not allowed to change rooms.

Please be aware that changing rooms this way entails the following:

- A 4-day interval between move-out and move-in: There is a seven-day gap after you move out of your old apartment and before you can move into the new apartment. During this time we conduct any necessary repairs and cleaning. We do not offer alternative accommodation for you during this period.
- A moving fee is only charged if you move from a non-social dorm to another non-social dorm. Please see our <u>list of fees here</u>

## **HOW TO CHANGE ROOMS:**

• Go to **Dashboard** and select the **Add new booking** button



- You will be directed to the **Vacant accommodations** page where all available rooms are shown along with their contract start dates.
- Select your desired room and click on Reserve selected room
- In the Booking Confirmation page where you will be asked to accept moving to this room or not.
- Please note, if you change rooms your current booking will be shortened to match your new booking and you will have a 7 day gap between both bookings.
- You will again need to agree to our terms and finalize the booking by clicking on the Booking confirmation button.
- You will receive an email with an hour to sign the contracts digitally.
- Once you accept the room in the **Booking confirmation** sections, the change is instantly in effect and the old room becomes available to others as the contract end date is shortened. You will be able to see both your bookings and changes in **Dashboard**.

## **CANCELLATION OF BOOKINGS**

The possibility to cancel your booking free of charge depends on when you made the booking and when the contractual tenancy period begins.

## **CANCELLING WITHIN 14 DAYS AFTER BOOKING**

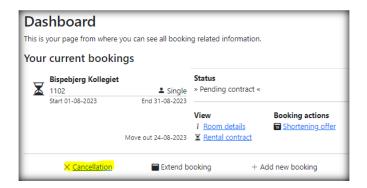
In general, you have a 14-day 'cooling-off' period from the date you make your booking during which you can cancel a booking. However, this only applies if:

- The rental period has not yet begun
- It is not an immediate booking

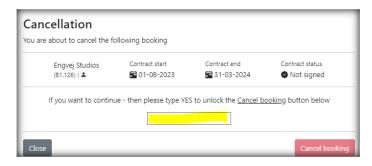
If there are less than 14 days from the date you make your booking until the contract starts: If you have confirmed your booking then your cooling-off period lasts until the rental period begins (Then it is less than 14 days).

## **HOW TO CANCEL YOUR BOOKING:**

• Go to **Dashboard** and select the **Cancellation** button



- A new box will appear with information about the booking(s) you are about to cancel.
- Type in YES in the text box and click Cancel booking



- Your booking is now cancelled unless a message appears explaining why it cannot be cancelled
- In **Dashboard** you will see the booking has been removed.

## OTHER CANCELLATION SCENARIOS

## BEFORE THE TENANCY START DATE, BUT MORE THAN 14 DAYS AFTER BOOKING

If 14 days have already passed since your booking date, and you wish to cancel, you must email The Housing Foundation Copenhagen explicitly stating that you wish to cancel the booking. You are required to pay 1 month of rent plus the cancellation fee. Even if you have not signed the rental contract. Please see the fees list here.

#### ROOMS WITH AN IMMEDIATE TENANCY START DATE

If you have confirmed your booking then the 14-day cooling-off period does not apply if you book a room with an immediate start date. If your rental contract's tenancy period has already begun, and you wish to cancel, you must email us immediately explicitly stating your desire to cancel. You must pay 1 month of rent plus the withdrawal fee. Even if you have not signed the rental contract. Please see the fees list here.

## AFTER THE FIRST RENTAL DAY, BUT IN THE FIRST MONTH (WITHOUT MOVING IN)

If your rental period has not yet surpassed 1 month, and you want to cancel your contract, you must email The Housing Foundation Copenhagen explicitly stating that you wish to cancel the booking. You must pay the withdrawal fee plus 1 month of rent. Even if you have not signed the rental contract. Please see the fees list here.

## AFTER MOVING IN, OR MORE THAN ONE MONTH AFTER THE FIRST RENTAL DAY

It is no longer possible to cancel the rental contract. Send an e-mail The Housing Foundation Copenhagen or refer to the section regarding Shortening Offers in this booking manual.

## **CANCELLING THE FIRST OF TWO BOOKINGS**

You cannot cancel a booking if you already made a second booking after it. If you make two bookings, it is not possible to cancel the first booking (especially when the rental period begins immediately). You must pay for the first booking and the second one, because you have inhibited others from booking and paying rent on the first room. This applies even if you have not signed the contract and you have not physically entered the room.

## **ROOM CHANGE CANCELLATION**

If you do not sign your rental contract within the 3 days deadline we will cancel your new booking and you will be charged early cancellation fee. Please note, that once your new booking is cancelled it means that your current room will be shortened.

## MOVE IN, KEYS, AND YOUR ROOM INSPECTION

### MOVE-IN DATE AND KEY PICK UP

You can pick up your keys the first day of your contract start date or later. The lease begins on the date stated in your contract. Keys can be picked from your contract start date but only within our office hours. This means should that date be a Saturday, a Sunday, or a holiday, keys can be picked up the following working day. This information is also written in your rental contract. Before you book your tickets to Copenhagen, you will need to take our opening hours into account since we do not hand out keys outside our opening hours.

Find all the information needed for key pick up here <a href="http://housingfoundation.dk/your-stay-arrival/">http://housingfoundation.dk/your-stay-arrival/</a>

### **MOVE IN INSPECTION**

You will be called in for a moving - in inspection at the beginning of your stay, where a team of professional inspectors will walk through and note down the status of your accommodation. This means any damage, missing items or other issues that need to be noted down or repaired. It is important to note all this down, so that you won't be held responsible for it once you move out.

The time and date for inspection is <u>non-negotiable</u>.

Rest assured it **isn't mandatory** to participate, and you will receive the full report with pictures, shortly after the inspection, by email.

#### MOVE-IN ISSUE REPORT - WEAR AND TEAR ISSUES

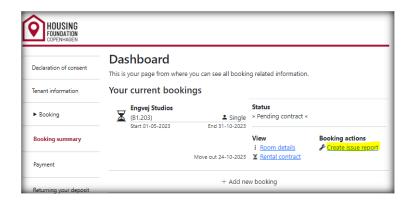
Besides the professional move in inspection, you also have 14 days from the day you pick up the keys to report issues.

For example, if you picked up your keys on 1st September, your last day for reporting issues is 14th September.

The move in issue report is meant for reporting additional wear and tear issues that weren't in the moving -in inspection report. Please take photos and place these with descriptions in the "My Move in Issue report template". You can download the template from our home page under the section called Your Arrival.

## How to make the issue report:

• Go to the **Dashboard** and click on the **Create issue report** button (this button is only visible once keys have been handed out to you).



- Type a small description of the issue/issues.
- You can only upload one file therefore please use the **"My Move in issue report template"**. You may find it by clicking <u>here</u>
- After uploading the **Move in issue report**, you can make changes to your report within the first 14 days after which it will be locked.
- Finalise the report by clicking **Submit issue report**
- By selecting Reset it will delete everything and you may start from the beginning.

Our service manager will confirm that he has received the report shortly after the 14-day deadline for reporting has passed.

#### **CLEANING ISSUES WHEN MOVING IN**

If you experience that your room isn't clean upon your arrival, please report it to us by email <a href="mailto:contact@housingfoundation.ku.dk">contact@housingfoundation.ku.dk</a> supported by pictures, within 24 hours. We will then do our best to send the cleaning team as soon as possible.

If you are living in a shared room/ apartment, you have a shared responsibility to clean and maintain the shared areas, and we will not send the cleaning team, as someone is already living there. We therefore advise you to talk to your roommate/ flatmate(s).

Unfortunately, if you choose to do the cleaning yourself before the cleaning team arrives, we cannot offer you any refund for your work. We can only send the cleaning team to take care of any remaining issues. In some cases, it might be that the cleaning company finds the issue is simply wear and tear and they might not be able to fix it.

Please also note that you can't leave cleaning issues unreported, then leave the room dirty once departing, and then claim that there was an issue when you moved in.

## **REPAIR ISSUES WHEN MOVING IN**

If you experience that something in your room needs to be repaired, please report it to our inspector by email <a href="mailto:hf.service.manager@gmail.com">hf.service.manager@gmail.com</a> supported by pictures, within 14 days. You will be contacted by the inspector as soon as possible. Either our service manager will explain how you can handle the issue yourself, or he will visit your room to investigate the issue.

In peak periods, our service manager will not be able to respond straight away, as he usually has a lot of incoming emails. Once he knows the wider context of all issues, he will prioritize issues according to urgency.

## **MOVE OUT**

### **RETURN OF KEYS & DEPARTURE DATES**

Please make sure to carefully read the <u>departure information on our website well in advance of your departure</u>, and remember to leave adequate time for cleaning your room. Remember to take returning the keys into consideration when making departure plans. The keys must be returned at the latest by 12 noon 4- days before your contract ends.

### **CLEANING**

Your apartment should undergo a thorough cleaning before you depart, and there should be no indication of a build-up of calcium, grease, dirt, etc. If any area is left unclean, you will be charged the same cost that our cleaning company charges The Housing Foundation Copenhagen for their services. The cost of cleaning in Denmark is comparatively high to other countries, so please take care.

You will be charged for any broken items. Wear and tear stemming from normal and correct use of the accommodation is acceptable.

Please see our website for more information of how you should leave the room.

#### **DEREGISTRATION OF ADDRESS**

You **must** deregister your CPR number from the address when moving out. This is a legal obligation and a very serious matter—forgetting to deregister will lead to issues with the authorities later. As soon as the next incoming tenant registers, the authorities will know if you did not deregister correctly and contact you.

#### MOVE OUT INSPECTION

You will be called in for a move- out inspection at the end of your stay, where a team of professional inspectors will walk through and note down the status of your accommodation. If they find any damage(s) and or cleaning issues it will result in a fee.

A cleaning issue will typically be built up dust / limescale / grease, which shows lack of regular cleaning. If you are living in a shared room, the fee is usually divided between tenant A and B.

A damage issue is typically broken inventory, water damage etc. caused by the tenant. If you are living in a shared room and we can't identify who caused the damage, the fee will be divided between tenant A and B.

The time and date for inspection is <u>non-negotiable</u>.

Rest assured it **isn't mandatory** to participate, and you will receive the full report with pictures, shortly after the inspection, by email.

## **RETURNING YOUR DEPOSIT**

The deposit is subject to deductions because of the inspection, unreturned or lost keys or any other damages caused during your stay. Any remainder will be returned to you. The deposit or the remainder is normally returned within 8 weeks of your last rental day if you have provided all the relevant information for us to make the transfer.

## RETURNING DEPOSIT TO YOUR CREDIT/DEBIT CARD

The system has pre-selected to get your deposit refunded on your credit/debit card and this means if you do not select another option then we will automatically refund to your credit/debit card.

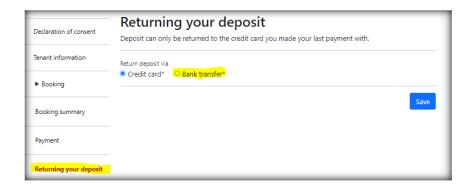
The option to have your deposit returned to your credit/debit card will be active, if:

- You paid with a credit/debit card
- The last payment you made is equal to or more than your deposit amount
- The card is still valid 6 months after your contract end date

## RETURNING DEPOSIT BY BANK TRANSFER

If you do not wish to have the deposit returned to your credit/debit card, you can opt to select a bank account. Please note the deposit to a bank account involves a transfer fee each time.

- Click on Returning your deposit from the left-side menu
- Select the Bank transfer option
- Then fill in all the necessary information required and click SAVE



Thank you for reading the booking manual. We at the Housing Foundation Copenhagen look forward to welcoming you to Copenhagen and wish you pleasant stay.



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