

ROBINSON COLLEGE

Precautionary Measures Regulations



When precautionary measures can be used

1. The Senior Tutor may impose precautionary measures if believed to be necessary:
 - a) to allow a College, University or police investigation to be carried out properly;
 - b) to protect any person while a College, University or criminal process is ongoing; or
 - c) to protect the health, safety or wellbeing of College members or staff.
2. The Dean may also impose precautionary measures under these Regulations where a possible breach of the College's Code of Discipline has been reported to the Dean.
3. In these Regulations, the Senior Tutor or, where Regulation 2 applies, the Dean is referred to as 'the relevant College Officer'.
4. Precautionary measures are temporary measures. They are not disciplinary penalties and do not determine the outcome of any disciplinary, Support and Assess Capability to Study or other College or University procedure.
5. The Wellbeing Team and/or Tutor will be available to support students both in dealing with the circumstances that have necessitated the imposition of precautionary measures and to manage the consequences of such measures.

How long they can last

6. Precautionary measures may be imposed for up to 21 days initially and then renewed for further periods of up to two months at a time. Before renewing any measure, the relevant College Officer must be satisfied that it remains necessary and proportionate and must consider whether the matter should instead, or also, be dealt with under another College or University procedure.

Types of precautionary measures

7. The relevant College Officer may impose any or all of the following:

- a) exclude a student from some or all College buildings or facilities;
- b) suspend all or part of a student's studies;
- c) place conditions on a student's access to College or contact with others, or impose any other restrictions reasonably considered necessary.

Medical or expert advice

- 8. The relevant College Officer may seek medical or other expert advice where this is necessary to decide whether a precautionary measure should be imposed, continued or changed. Any assessment directed at determining the student's capability to study should normally be dealt with under the Support and Assess Capability to Study Procedure.

Notice

- 9. The student will be told in writing what measures have been imposed and why. The notice will make clear that the measures are temporary and do not imply wrongdoing. Unless stated otherwise, the measures take effect immediately when the student is notified.

Opportunity to respond

- 10. Where reasonably possible, the student will be given an opportunity to provide written comments before precautionary measures are imposed or renewed.
- 11. If urgent or sensitive circumstances make this impractical, the measures may be imposed first. The student may then request a review by submitting written comments within three days, and the relevant College Officer will respond within three days.

Reviews

- 12. The relevant College Officer will review the measures before they expire and may review them sooner if circumstances change. At each review, the relevant College Officer must consider whether each measure remains necessary and proportionate. Following the review, the measures may be ended, renewed or changed.
- 13. The student may also request a review at any time if there has been a material change in circumstances. The request must be made in writing, and the outcome will be notified within five days.

Independent review

- 14. After all internal reviews by the relevant College Officer have been completed, the student may ask the Warden for a review by an Ad Hoc Committee of three College Council members who have had no previous pastoral or academic role in relation to the student.

15. The request must be made within three days of the relevant College Officer's review decision. The Warden will appoint the Ad Hoc Committee within two days, and the Committee will issue its decision within five days. The Committee may uphold, cancel or change the decision, or send it back to the relevant College Officer for reconsideration.

Senior Tutor

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