

Semester – III

BHM -303P: Accommodation and Front Office Operations -Industry Exposure -I

Practical: 6 Credits

WHAT TO OBSERVE

ACCOMMODATION OPERATIONS

ROOMS

1. Number of rooms cleaned in a shift
2. Time taken in making bed
3. Thoroughly observe the cleaning equipments and detergents / any other cleaning supplies used
4. Observe all guest supplies kept in guestroom bathroom. Understand the procedure for procurement and replenishment of guest supplies.
5. Study the systematic approach in cleaning a room and bathroom and the various checks made of all guest facilities e.g. telephone, channel music, A/C , T.V.etc
6. Study the Housekeeping cart and all items stocked in it. Note your ideas on its usefulness and efficiency
7. Observe how woodwork, brass work are kept spotlessly clean and polished
8. Observe procedure for handling soiled linen & Procurement of fresh linen
9. Observe the procedure for Freshen up and Turn down service
10. Observe room layout, color themes and furnishings used in various categories and types
11. Carpet brushing and vacuum cleaning procedure
12. Windowpanes and glass cleaning procedure and frequency
13. Observe maintenance of cleaning procedure and frequency
14. Understand policy and procedure for day-to-day cleaning
15. Observe methods of stain removal
16. Understand the room attendant's checklist and other formats used
17. Observe handling of guest laundry & other service (like shoe shine etc.)

THE CONTROL DESK

1. Maintenance of Log Book
2. Understand the functions in different shifts
3. Observe the coordination with other departments
4. Observe the area & span of control
5. Observe the handing of work during peak hours
6. Observe the formats used by department and study various records maintained

PUBLIC AREA

1. Observe the duty and staff allocation, scheduling of work and daily briefing
2. What to look for while inspecting and checking Public Area
3. Importance of Banquets function prospectus
4. Observes tasks carried out by the carpet crew, window cleaners and polishers
5. Note Maintenance Order procedure
6. Study the fire prevention and safety systems built into the department
7. Observe coordination with Lobby Manager, Security and other departments
8. Observe the pest control procedure and its frequency
9. Study the equipment and operating supplies used the procedure for its procurement
10. Observe Policy and procedures followed for various cleaning

WHAT TO OBSERVE

Front Office

1. Greeting, meeting & escorting the guest
2. Total capacity and tariffs of the rooms
3. Location and role of status board, different types of status's maintained

4. Special rates and discounts applicable to groups, business houses, airlines, VIP's etc.
5. Identification of kind, mode and type of reservation
6. Filing systems and follow-up on reservations
7. Types of plans and packages on offer
8. Forms and formats used in the department
9. Meaning of guaranteed, confirmed and waitlisted reservations
10. Reports taken out in the reservations department
11. Procedure of taking a reservation
12. Group reservations, discounts and correspondence
13. How to receive and room a guest
14. Room blockings
15. Size, situations and general colour schemes of rooms and suites
16. Discounts available to travel agents, tour operators, FHRAI members etc
17. Co-ordination of reception with lobby, front office cash, information, room service, housekeeping and telephones
18. Guest registration, types of guest folios, arrival slips, c-forms and their purpose
19. How to take check-ins and check-outs on the computer
20. Various reports prepared by reception
21. Key check policy
22. Mail & message handling procedures
23. Percentage of no-shows to calculate safe over booking
24. Group and crew rooming, pre-preparation and procedures
25. Scanty baggage policy
26. Handling of room changes / rate amendments/ date amendments/ joiners/ one person departure/allowances/ paid outs and all formats accompanying them
27. Requisitioning of operating supplies
28. Handling of special situations pertaining to guest grievance, requests etc
29. BELL DISK / CONCIERGE FUNCTIONS: luggage handling during check-in & check-out, left luggage procedures, wake-up call procedure, scanty baggage procedure, handling of group baggage, maintenance of records, Errands made, briefings etc.
30. TRAVEL DESK: coordination, booking, transfers etc.