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## 1.0 Your New Home in OMEGA

### 1.1 BUILDING OVERVIEW

The architectural firm of **Gomberoff Bell Lyon (GBL)** Architects has designed OMEGA, located in the stylish community of Richmond. This development consists of 2 - 4 storey buildings with 245 residential suites.

The following is a brief orientation to help you locate the various facilities in your complex.

#### **Main Floor (Both Buildings)**

The building lobby, mailboxes and amenities (see below) are located on the main level of your building.

#### **Odlin Amenities Area**

CLUB OMEGA – North Building – This building hosts the fitness room, ping-pong & flex room as well as a common patio & garden area.

#### **Tomicki Amenities Area**

CLUB OMEGA – South Building – This building hosts a gourmet catering kitchen with grand dining, entertainment lounge, billiards & Reading room as well as a common patio & garden area.

#### **Parkade**

P1: The garbage/recycling room, bike storage, visitor parking and residential parking are all located on this level.

## 2.0 WHAT TO DO IN AN EMERGENCY

### 2.1 RICHMOND EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

<b>Ambulance</b>	<b>For a medical emergency</b> Non-emergency 604-872-5151	<b>Call 911</b>
<b>Police</b>	<b>For a security emergency</b> Non-emergency 604-278-1212	<b>Call 911</b>
<b>Fire Department</b>	<b>For an emergency</b> Non-emergency 604-278-5131	<b>Call 911</b>
<b>Power Outages &amp; Electrical Emergencies (BC Hydro)</b>		<b>1-888-769-3766</b>
<b>City of Richmond Bylaw and Parking Enforcement</b>		<b>604-233-3147</b>
<b>Poison Control Center</b>		<b>604-682-5050 or 604-682-2344</b>
<b>Gas Leaks &amp; Gas Odor Emergencies (Fortis BC, Gas)</b>		<b>1-800-663-9911</b>
<b>Earthquake, Flood, Dangerous Goods Spills, Tsunami</b>		<b>1-800-663-3456</b>

*\*Additional emergency and non-emergency numbers can be found by searching [yellowpages.ca](http://yellowpages.ca)*

### 2.2 BUILDING EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Please report all **common area and in-suite emergencies** to the property management personnel at the time that it is occurring. This will get the quickest response in the building to mitigate any possible damage. If it is between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm (Monday – Friday), please also call to Customer Care Centre (**refer to Section 4.0**) to advise us of any in-suite emergency situations.

**Building Emergencies - 24 hours - Rancho - 604-684-4508**

*Note: We ask for your cooperation in calling after hours & weekends ONLY in an emergency situation. Emergency service is generally considered that which affects electrical, heating, or water supply and requires immediate attention.*

## 3.0 ADDRESSING YOUR CONCERNS

### 3.1 IN-SUITE WARRANTY ITEMS

All requests for service on warranty items in your suite must be made **in writing** to the Customer Care Centre unless it is an emergency (*please see section 2.0 - What to do in an Emergency*).

For your convenience, we have created an On-Line Customer Service Request form. It can be found on the Concord Pacific Web site under the Customer Care Tab.

**Please Log onto [concordpacific.com](http://concordpacific.com), then click on the Customer Care Tab, then the Warranty tab, and lastly, the On-Line Service Request Form.**

You will be prompted to enter your Building Name, Strata Lot and Suite Number to access the Request Form. Then simply enter the information as prompted, print a copy for your records before you hit SUBMIT. You will then be contacted by one of our Customer Care agents who will then follow up on your request.

***NOTE: Please remember that the Customer Care Centre cannot accept requests from your tenants to repair items in your suite.***

### 3.2 COMMON AREA

Problems in the common area of OMEGA, such as in the lobby, elevators, landscaping, recreation areas, or parkades, are the responsibility of your property management company. Please follow the reporting procedures indicated by the property management company.

Rancho Management Services (B.C.) Ltd. Inc. can be reached 24 hours at (604) 684-4508.

**To report a natural gas emergency call the 24-hour Fortis Gas emergency line at 1-800-663-9911. An emergency is generally considered to be a gas leak that requires immediate attention.**

### 3.3 ENTERPHONES, PROXIMITY READERS AND KEY FOBS

If you have a problem with the operation of any of your key fobs, or if one is lost or stolen, please report this immediately to your property management company. In addition, problems with the proximity readers and Enterphones in your building fall under the responsibility of your property management company, which can be reached 24 hours at 604-684-4508 or by contacting the Concierge.

### 3.4 APPLIANCES

All appliances carry a one-year warranty *directly with the manufacturer*. If you encounter problems with your appliances, please refer to your owner's manual and, if necessary, contact the manufacturer's service department directly.

**NOTE:** *For a complete list of Appliances, Model numbers and Service contacts please refer to section 9.1 of this manual*

## 4.0 CUSTOMER CARE CENTRE

### 4.1 ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Your new home has been designed to provide you with many years of gracious living and our Customer Care Centre has been created to help ease the transition into your new home. Our agents are available to answer your questions about your new home in OMEGA and the Concord Pacific Community. They are also available to solve your in-suite warranty concerns.

**During office hours 9:00 am to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday at:**

#### **Customer Care Centre**

In the Concord Pacific Presentation Centre

#### **Located at:**

88 Pacific Boulevard

Vancouver, B.C.

**Tel: (604) 899-8800**

**Fax: (604) 899-9183**

#### **Address: OMEGA**

9333 Tomicki Street, Richmond, BC V6X 0L4

9388 Odlin Street, Richmond, BC V6X 0L5

#### **Questions or Concerns Regarding Warranty**

**Larry Cheng**

**Customer Care Officer**

**Direct Line: 604-899-7200**

**Email: [larry.cheng@concordpacific.com](mailto:larry.cheng@concordpacific.com)**

## 4.2 REPORTING AN IN-SUITE WARRANTY ITEM

All in-suite service requests must come from the Owner of the suite and must be made **in writing** to the Customer Care Centre unless it is an emergency (*please see Section 2.0 - What to do in an Emergency*).

To report an in-suite warranty item and receive service for your new home, please follow these procedures:

For your convenience, we have created an On-Line Customer Service Request form. It can be found on the Concord Pacific Web site under the Customer Care Tab.

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You will be prompted to enter your Building Name, Strata Lot and Suite Number to access the Request Form. Then simply enter the information as prompted, print a copy for your records before you hit SUBMIT. You will then be contacted by one of our Customer Care agents who will then follow up on your request.

***NOTE: Please remember that the Customer Care Centre cannot accept requests from your tenants to repair items in your suite.***

## 4.3 CUSTOMER SERVICE REQUEST FORM (On-Line)

**To Access our On-Line Customer Service Request form please Log onto [concordpacific.com](http://concordpacific.com), then click on the Customer Care Tab, then the Warranty tab, and lastly, the On-Line Service Request Form.**

***NOTE: For further instructions, please see section 4.2, REPORTING AN IN-SUITE WARRANTY ITEM, above.***

## 5.0 THE WARRANTY PROGRAM

From the very outset, expert planning, design resources and high quality construction go into building each new OMEGA home.

At completion, you or your appointed representative will be invited to collect your keys, the day AFTER your official completion date. At this time, a Warranty Commencement Date Certificate will be available for the purchaser. The Developer will forward the completed Warranty Commencement Date Certificate for each strata lot to Travelers Guarantee Company of Canada. Travelers Guarantee will then issue their Warranty Certificate directly to each purchaser at their given mailing address. The Warranty Certificate will include some additional information relating to the home warranty coverage and some instructions on how to contact Travelers Guarantee if there are any questions or concerns.

The warranty insurance is required by the Strata Property Act.

Your warranty covers defects in workmanship and repair or replacement of defective materials but it does not include maintenance of your suite. Proper maintenance is your responsibility and failure to carry out proper maintenance could void your warranty.

*For a complete description of these warranties, please refer to Section 5, Sub-section 5.2 in your Disclosure Statement.*

### 5.1 CUSTOMER SERVICE

Your satisfaction, protection and peace-of-mind are the main priorities of service offered by Concord Pacific's Customer Care Centre.

**To obtain prompt service for your home, please direct all requests in writing to our Customer Care Centre (refer to Section 4.2 in this guide).**

### 5.2 TRANSFER OF WARRANTY

The warranties provided by the Travelers Warranty Program are transferable, so if you are selling your suite, please have the **Transfer of Warranty form** completed and forwarded to our office. This form enables us to keep an accurate record of the ownership of the suite and to provide the same level of customer service to the new owners.



## 6.0 LIVING IN OMEGA

### 6.1 STRATA COUNCIL: ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Strata Council is responsible for the maintenance and administration of the common property and the democratic enforcement of the Strata Corporation Bylaws, Rules and Regulations. Members of the Strata Council are elected from, and by, the registered Owners at the Annual General Meeting that is held each year. Following their election, the Strata Council members meet to discuss the operation and management of the building.

### 6.2 PROPERTY MANAGEMENT: ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

A property management company is hired by the Strata Council to oversee all common property of the building. The primary concern of the Property Manager is to ensure the protection of the interests of the owners including insurance, building maintenance, and good communication within the development.

<i>Your property is professionally managed by:</i> <b>Rancho Management Services (B.C.) Ltd.</b> #600-1190 Hornby Street Vancouver, B.C. V6Z 2K5  <b>604-684-4508 (office)</b> <b>604-684-1956 (fax)</b>	<i>Property Manager:</i> <b><u>OMEGA</u></b>  <b>Vicky Kao</b> VKao@ranchogroup.com <b>604-331-4294 (direct line)</b> <b>604-684-1956 (fax)</b>
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**Rancho Management Services (B.C.) Ltd. has provided you with a *Welcome Package*** containing information on strata living and the responsibilities of the strata council and the property management. For building procedures and use of the facilities in the building, please refer to the printed package provided to you at your walk-through or to the PDF version found on the **myRanchoStrata** page at [www.ranchovan.com](http://www.ranchovan.com).

**Rancho Property Management phone line for OMEGA is:**

**Phone: 604 684-4508**

**Concierge Phone Number:**

**Cell: 604-908-2643 Land Line:604-343-7706**

### 6.3 COMMON PROPERTY

The common property includes all areas beyond each owner's strata lot (i.e. hallways, foyers, parking areas, elevators, gardens, recreational facilities, meeting rooms, etc.). Common property also includes all pipes, wires, cables, chutes, ducts, facilities for the passage of water, sewage, drainage, gas, oil, electricity, heating and cooling systems, and other services contained within a floor, wall or ceiling of a building, where the center of the floor, wall or ceiling forms the common boundary between two strata lots or between a strata lot and common property.

Common property may also be designated for "exclusive use" which is termed limited common property. Patios, balconies and parking spaces are examples of this designation.

### 6.4 STRATA FEES

Strata Fees are paid to the Property Management Company and are due on the first day of each month. (No invoices will be issued by the Property Management Company) If you would like to do this using a monthly pre-authorized payment plan, you may do so by filling out the **PRE-AUTHORIZED PAYMENT PLAN FOR STRATA FEES** form and submitting it along with a void cheque to your Property Management Company.

### 6.5 INSURANCE

The building insurance arranged by your strata corporation is through:

**BFL Canada Insurance Services**

**Phone: 604-669-9600 Fax: 604-683-9316**

In addition to this, **you must have your own homeowner's insurance policy.** Please ensure that this includes adequate insurance coverage for your personal contents, personal liability and any betterments made to your strata lot.

### 6.6 RESTRICTIONS TO EXTERIOR APPEARANCES

To retain a neat and uniform appearance, bylaws have been established which clearly outline what is permissible and what is not in regards to the external appearance of the building. Please familiarize yourself with these policies provided by your Property Manager to avoid problems at a later date. The most common restrictions prohibit "For Sale or Rent" signs in windows or on the common property, drapes that are not of a neutral colour, aluminum foil in the windows, and the alteration of landscaped areas.

## 6.7 RENOVATIONS TO YOUR SUITE

Please contact the property management company before undertaking any renovation/upgrade work in your suite. You may require Strata Council's approval and have to follow building by-laws/code requirements.

## 6.8 BIKE STORAGE

Storage for bikes has been provided for on in the Parkade of OMEGA. Arrangement for use of these storage rooms can be made through your Property Management Company or Concierge.

## 6.9 GARBAGE/RECYCLING ROOM

The Garbage/Recycling room is located in the Parkade next to the OMEGA garage gate. To access the Garbage/Recycling area, simply swipe your FOB against the reader.

## 6.10 MOVING IN AND OUT

Prior to move in or out of the building, you **MUST** contact your property management to schedule a date and time. They will reserve an elevator for your use and hang protective padding in the elevator cab. It is essential that you make prior arrangements with the property management to use the elevator to avoid conflicts with other move-ins and any scheduled repairs to the elevator.

## 6.11 RENTING OUT YOUR SUITE

As an owner, you may choose to rent out your suite. However, you must ensure that your tenants are knowledgeable about in-suite features and building procedures. Please familiarize them with the "I am a Tenant" information located in the Customer Care Tab on the Concord Pacific web site.

***NOTE: Please remember that the Customer Care Centre cannot accept requests from your tenants to repair items in your suite.***

The owner of the suite must report warranty items directly to the Customer Care Centre. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Some owners may wish to hire a property management company to handle the rental of their suite. Prompton Real Estate Services Inc. is the recommended agent for the buildings developed by Concord Pacific and offers a full Rental Management Service. Please contact them at 604-899-2333 for full details of their services.

Holiday Home Package: For those owners who do not plan to occupy their suite full time or intend to rent it out to a tenant, Prompton Real Estate Services Inc. offers a Holiday Home Management Service. Prompton will provide regular visits to your suite while you are absent from Vancouver. For full details of this service, please contact them at 604-899-2333.

## **7.0 BUILDING ENTRY SECURITY**

### **7.1 VISITOR & ACCESS CONTROL SYSTEM OPERATIONS**

#### **7.1.1 Visitor Access to your Suite**

The building is equipped with a SES Tech 4 visitor entry system that allows you to control access to the building from within your suite by use of your telephone and television.

The SES Tech 4 system utilizes a "phone-line" system that enables visitors to connect to your phone whether you are using standard phone service, Voice Over IP (VOIP) Cellular, or digital phone systems as your main telephony device.

When a visitor calls you from the SES Tech 4 visitor entry panel, pressing "9" on your telephone keypad will release the door for your visitor to enter the building and issue a credit to allow him time to enter the elevator and press your floor number.

Once you have pressed "9" you will hear the confirmation tones from the SES Tech 4 panel letting you know that the operation was successful.

To deny access, simply hang up.

For security reasons, the elevator time credit issued is only for a short period of time and only for the floor on which you live.

#### **7.1.2 Visitor Call Waiting**

If you subscribe to Call Waiting with your phone service provider, then you can use this feature for calls from the entry system while you are on an outside call. Typically, you will hear the "call waiting" tones on the telephone, which indicate that you have a visitor. You can then put the outside call on hold and you will now be connected to your visitor at the entry panel. You can then grant access to the visitor by pressing the number "9" on your telephone. To deny access to the visitor, press the "Star" key on the telephone.

### 7.1.3 Key Fob Access Control

To operate the key fob, simply present it at the proximity reader located at the door, gate or elevator you are entering. Your key fob will unlock the door or gate for only a few seconds to allow you to enter. Your key fob also activates the elevator to stop only at the floor you live on. When you enter the elevator, first present your key fob to the proximity reader and then press the elevator button for your floor.

Each key fob has a unique number. The number on your key fob has been assigned to your suite and programmed for access to your floor only. If you own more than one suite, you cannot interchange the key fobs. If any of your key fobs are lost or stolen, notify your property management company immediately.

**Additional key fobs can be purchased from your Property Management Company.**

**NOTE:** It is important that you carry your key fob with you when you leave your suite, even if you do not intend to leave the building. You will need it to return to your floor.

### 7.1.4 Keys

You will receive three suite keys and three mailbox keys with your suite. You may have additional keys cut at your expense by any locksmith.

## 7.2 BUILDING SECURITY

Some of the security features in your building include:

- secure parking for residents in the underground Parkade
- an enhanced Enterphone system
- key fobs replacing keys for entry to the building and parkade. These fobs can be deactivated if lost or stolen; and
- restrictive elevator access on each floor allowing residents on every floor to have the maximum in security and exclusivity. Your key fob activates the elevator to stop only at the floor you live on and your visitors are given a credit time to enter the elevator and press your floor only. When you enter the elevator, first present your key fob to the proximity reader and then press the elevator button for your floor.

**NOTE: Please ensure that the Garage door is fully closed every time you enter or exit the Parkade. Building security is the responsibility of every OMEGA resident.**

## 8.0 OPENING YOUR UTILITY ACCOUNTS

### 8.1 CABLEVISION

Cable TV services are available from either Novus or Telus. Cablevision outlets are already supplied and ready for hook-up. To begin your service, please contact the customer service representatives at:

**Novus**      **604-642-6688**      [novusnow.ca](http://novusnow.ca)

### 8.2 HYDRO

Please be advised that the electricity for each suite is individually metered by BC Hydro. It is important that you make an immediate **new account application** to BC Hydro. This can be done through the **B.C. Hydro automated service line at 604-224-9376 or on-line at [bchydro.com/moving](http://bchydro.com/moving)**

**You are responsible for your in-suite meter utility effective on the legal possession date [i.e. the next day after the closing date]. You should use this possession day after your suite closes as the date for commencement of your Hydro service.**

If an account application is not made quickly, your power supply will be disconnected and will result in additional re-connection charges. We strongly recommend you take immediate action. **Direct all your calls regarding residential account inquiries and new accounts to the BC Hydro automated service line at 604-224-9376.**

### 8.3 TELEPHONE

#### **NOVUS**

To obtain Novus' Home Phone service, please call Novus at **604-642-6688**

#### **TELUS**

To obtain telephone service, please call Telus at **604-310-2255**.

### 8.4 INTERNET ACCESS

Internet access is available from either Novus or Telus. To begin your service, please contact the customer service representatives at:

**Novus**      **604-642-6688**      [novusnow.ca](http://novusnow.ca)

## 8.5 LOCAL AREA NETWORK (LAN)

Your residence has been pre-wired for a Local Area Network (LAN); this enables you to connect two or more computers in your home. Please note that the router to make home networking possible is not included.

**Please contact your Local Cable/Internet Service provider for product options and available services.**

Your network provides many advantages relative to the use of a stand-alone computer. Most importantly, networks enable multiple users to share data and devices. They allow for centralized administration of hardware and software.

The LAN has been pre-wired to allow many different network configurations with a location set aside for the installation of a network router. Connection of the owner supplied network router to the LAN is completed within the communications box located in your closet.

## 9.0 CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF YOUR HOME

Remember that nothing is maintenance free. Proper care and cleaning is required to preserve the quality of your home. This section is designed to assist you with this. If you have questions regarding the care and maintenance of your suite, please contact the Customer Care Centre and our officers will do their best to provide answers to your questions.

### 9.1 APPLIANCES

*For complete instructions on the operation and care of your appliances, please refer to the appliance manuals located under the Appliance Manuals tab on the Concord Pacific web site. It is important to read through all manuals before using the appliances.*

A paper copy of all Appliance Manuals was left in your kitchen drawer during your suite Walk-Through.

**Cook Top:** Please follow the Cook Top Manual for features, operation instructions and maintenance.

**NOTE:** *If you smell gas, locate the shut off valve inside the lower cabinet beside the cook top, turn off the gas and leave the suite, then contact Fortis BC at 1-800-663-9911.*

**Oven:** Please follow the Oven Manual for features, operation instructions and maintenance.

**Refrigerator:** The recommended setting for your refrigerator/freezer is in the Manual.

**Dishwasher:** Please follow the dishwasher Manual for features, operation instructions and maintenance.

**Microwave:** Please follow the Microwave Manual for features, operation instructions and maintenance.

**Hood Fan:** Please follow the Hood Fan Manual for features, operation instructions and maintenance.

**Washer/Dryer:** Please follow the User Instruction for features and Care and Maintenance Instructions listed in your Manual. **NOTE:** Please clean out the dryer lint trap between each load

#### 24" Package

APPLIANCE	BRAND	MODEL #	SERVICE	PHONE
Cook Top	Blomberg	F4GK24*1/FBCTG24100	Trail Appliances	604-777-3300 (Ext.2)
Oven	Blomberg	BWOS24100		
Hood Fan	Faber	Cristal24SS		
Refrigerator	Blomberg	BRFB 0900		
Dishwasher* (24")	Blomberg	DW 55100 FBI		
Microwave*	Panasonic	NN-T795		
Washer*	Blomberg	WM77110NBL00		
Dryer*	Blomberg	DV17542		

#### 30" Package

APPLIANCE	BRAND	MODEL #	SERVICE	PHONE
Cook Top	Blomberg	F4GK30*1/FBCTG30100	Trail Appliances	604-777-3300 (Ext.2)
Oven	Blomberg	BWOS30100		
Hood Fan	Faber	Cristal30SS		
Refrigerator	Fhiaba	B17490T		

\*Standard in ALL suites

**NOTE:** *To report a natural gas emergency call the 24-hour FORTIS BC emergency line at 1-800-663-9911. An emergency is generally considered to be a gas leak which requires immediate attention. Please note that FORTIS BC, as well as other companies, charge for service calls that do not constitute an emergency.*



## 9.2 BATHROOM SINKS & TUBS (Acrylic)

With proper care and maintenance, your Acrylic bathtubs & sinks will give you many years of enjoyment.

### **Cleaning and Maintenance Instructions:**

- 1- To clean the surface it is recommended that you use common household cleaners (for example: Lysol Basin, Tub & Tile Cleaner, Glass Plus, Simple Green, Mr. Clean, or a mild dishwashing detergent such as Ivory Liquid) Rinse well and dry with a clean cloth.
- 2- Never use abrasive cleaners
- 3- DO NOT allow your sink or tub to come in contact with products such as acetone (nail polish remover), nail polish, dry cleaning solution, lacquer thinners, gasoline, pine oil, wintergreen, etc.
- 4- Remove dust and dirt with a soft, damp cloth.

## 9.3 BRASS FITTINGS AND FAUCETS

The use of some hand lotions, soaps, cosmetics, hair sprays and household cleaners may introduce silicone or lanolin to the lacquered surface. Silicone and lanolin are mildly acidic and can destroy the lacquer finish and, thereby, tarnish the brass. You must also be careful with rings and keys as they can scratch the lacquered finish. Brass fittings will not be replaced because of tarnishing.

## 9.4 CABINETRY

### Veneer Cabinets

Dust veneer cabinets frequently with a soft, lint-free cloth. You may dampen the cloth slightly with water.

Clean up spills, splatters and water spots as they occur. Pay special attention to the areas near the sink and dishwasher as they are more likely to come in contact with moisture. To clean cabinets, use a clean, microfiber cloth and mild soap diluted in water if necessary. Ensure you wipe the cabinet surface dry with a soft, clean cloth. **Do not use abrasive cleaners, scouring pads, steel wool or powdered cleaners.** Do not use aerosol sprays containing silicones or paste waxes, ammonia or ammonia based cleaners. Do not leave wet cloths on or near cabinets. Do not allow oven cleaners or other caustic cleaners to contact the cabinets.

## 9.5 CHROME & NICKEL FITTINGS AND FAUCETS

Finishes are very durable, however special care must be given in order to maintain many years of service and quality appearance. Do not use abrasive cleaners (Comet, Ajax, etc.) or chemical sprays (Windex, Formula 409, Fantastic, etc.) as they may cause de-plating of the finishes or damage to the plastics. Do use warm water and chamois to remove any soiling. Buff with a soft clean cloth.

## 9.6 CLOSET SHELVES

The shelves of your closet system are designed to support light items such as clothing. Care should be taken not to place luggage and other heavy objects on the shelves. Excessive weight may collapse the shelves.

## 9.7 COUNTERTOPS

### Engineered Stone:

- \*Do not sit, stand or place heavy objects on countertops.
- \*Do not place hot items directly on the stone surface.
- \*Always wipe up spills immediately to prevent staining.
- \*Always use a cutting board; DO NOT cut any items directly on the countertop.

Do not use abrasive cleaners, scouring pads, and similar materials as they may damage the surface. Clean with a soft, clean cloth, mild detergent and water or use a product specifically formulated for use on these materials.

Care should be taken in choosing a detergent additive that will not damage the luster of the polish of the engineered stone. High acidic or high alkaline content will remove the shine. Only products specifically designed for use on engineered stone should be used.

Products which are an acid or alkali such as perfume, shampoo, toilet bowl cleaners, Windex, juices, vinegar, soda, etc. will damage these surfaces.

## 9.8 DRAINS

Maintenance of all drains for plumbing as well as water drainage on balconies and terraces is a maintenance issue and is the responsibility of the owner. Clearing clogged drains is not a warranty issue.

## 9.9 ELECTRIC CAR PLUG-INS

The Parkade has been equipped with 4, 40A-208V parking stalls. If you have purchased one of these stalls, please consult your Property Manager for further details on use and billing procedures.

## 9.10 ELECTRICAL BREAKERS

The electrical breakers, located in the breaker panel box, measure the current passing through a circuit. If there is an excessive draw, the power is interrupted. To reset, open the door of the breaker panel box. All breakers are labeled. Locate the tripped breaker and flip it "Off", then back to the "On" position. If the problem persists, unplug or turn off electrical devices before resetting the tripped breaker.

**NOTE:** Breakers usually trip because of overloads caused by plugging too many appliances into the circuit, a worn or defective appliance, or operating an appliance with too high voltage or wattage requirement for the circuit. The sudden starting of an electric motor can also trip a breaker. If a breaker trips repeatedly check for any of the above causes before contacting Customer Relations.

## 9.11 ELECTRICAL OUTLETS

### 9.11.1 Kitchen Counter Electrical Outlets:

Each electrical outlet is split in two so that the top and bottom receptacles are on separate circuits. This allows you to plug in two high draw appliances in the same outlet without tripping a breaker.

### 9.11.2 Switched Outlets:

One half of one of the electrical outlets in those rooms which have no overhead light fixture (e.g. living room, bedroom, etc.) is “switched” and is operated by the light switch (marked by a blue dot). A lamp plugged into this receptacle can then be operated by the turning on the light switch. One of the receptacles is “switched” (indicated by a blue dot) and the other is “live” and operates in the same manner as a regular outlet.

## 9.12 FAN TIMER SWITCH

The fan helps eliminate the moisture in your home, which creates condensation. The fan timer runs through the fan in one of your bathrooms and operates either on a timer switch (found on the inside of your hall closet or bedroom closet) and by a manual switch in the bathroom (beside the light switch).

### PROGRAMMING THE TIMER

Please follow the programming instructions found in your Timer’s Manual.

The Timer should always be left on the “AUTO” setting.

***NOTE: City Code states that you must run your fan for a MINIMUM of two, 4-hour operating periods per day.***

***This will remove moisture from the air and aid in maintaining a healthy home.***

Please follow the Manual for detailed programming instructions.



Fan Timer



Typical Bathroom Fan

## 9.13 FLOORING

The highest quality flooring materials have been installed in your home, and their life will be prolonged with regular cleaning. For preventative maintenance, an entrance mat is the most basic requirement.

***Please note that rubber, foam back or plastic mats may discolour some flooring materials.***

### 9.13.1 Porcelain Tile Flooring:

Wash with water and a pH neutral cleaner; rinse with warm water and allow to dry. Always wipe up spills immediately to prevent staining of the grout.

***NOTE: It is the homeowner's responsibility to re-seal the grout with a certified grout sealant. This should be done on an annual basis. You can purchase a grout sealer from your local home improvement store.***

### 9.13.2 Laminate Flooring:

A few moments of care and a little common sense can go a long way in keeping your new laminate floor looking its best.

#### **Routine Maintenance:**

- 1) Use a damp cloth to blot up spills as soon as they happen as excess water can damage the surface and seep into the seams of the flooring.
- 2) Sweep, dust or vacuum the floor regularly (once or twice a week). Use a broom with soft bristles and/or a vacuum with the hardwood attachment only.
- 3) Periodically clean the floor with cleaning products made specifically for laminate floor care.
- 4) DO NOT wash or wet mop the floor with soap, water, oil-soap, detergent, or any other liquid cleaning material. This could cause swelling, warping, delamination, and joint-line separation, and void the warranty.
- 5) Do not use steel wool, abrasive cleaners, or strong ammoniated or chlorinated type cleaners.
- 6) Do not use any type of buffing or polishing machine.

#### **Environmental Protection:**

- 1) Entry mats will help collect the dirt, sand, grit and other substances that might otherwise be tracked onto your floor.
- 2) To prevent slippage of area rugs, use an approved vinyl rug underlayment.
- 3) Use floor protectors and wide-load bearing leg bases/rollers to minimize the chance of indentations and scratches from heavy objects.
- 4) Remember, preferable temperature should be approximately 17-23°C (62-73°F with a relative humidity of 54-60%. Humidity should never be allowed to drop below 30% as this may cause gapping. (Proper humidity levels should be maintained by using your exhaust fan, which has a timer switch on the wall in the closet.)
- 5) Avoid excess exposure to water during periods of inclement weather.
- 6) Keep your pet's nails trimmed to prevent them from scratching your floor

### 9.13.3 Carpet:

Regular vacuuming is the most important maintenance step. Remove spills immediately. DO NOT RUB THE CARPETS. Have your carpets professionally cleaned as required.

Consider wearing slippers as the oil from bare feet and socks can rub off on the carpet and cause the surface of the carpet to mat.

***Caution Note: Flooring surfaces can be damaged by high-heeled shoes due to the extremely high compression force they generate. Such footwear can produce dynamic loads in excess of 1000 pounds per square inch, even when worn by someone of slight or average build. Floor protectors (Felts) should also be used on the feet of furniture to avoid scratches.***

## 9.14 GROUND FAULT CIRCUIT INTERRUPTER (GFCI)

All the outlets in the bathrooms and kitchen are connected to a GFCI. If there is ground fault, the power is interrupted. To reset, simply push the designated reset button on the outlet. Test the GFCI outlet once a month to ensure it is working properly. To test, simply press the test button while operating an appliance (e.g. razor). Pressing this button creates a short and power should be terminated. To reset, press the designated reset button on the outlet.

## 9.15 HEATING/COOLING

**IMPORTANT** - A setting of at least 17 degrees Celsius/62 degrees Fahrenheit is required to maintain the interior finishes in your suite.

Your suite is heated and cooled using a Heat Pump System. The components of this system are located in a dedicated closet within your suite.

A Thermostat located in the main living area of the suite controls the temperature.

**NOTE:** Annual maintenance of these units is required and is the duty of the homeowner. There are filters in these units, and you will need to change these air filters on a regular basis. Filters should be changed twice a year. It is recommended that you change them just prior to the fall heating season and the spring cooling season. **Please consult your Property Manager for Filter Information.**

**\*DO NOT block the air intake vents of the Heat Pump Closet**



PSG Medallion Series

## 9.16 KITCHEN BACKSPLASH

**Tile:** Regular maintenance of your tile backsplash will keep it looking as good as it did when it was installed.

Wash with water and a pH neutral cleaner; rinse with warm water and allow to dry. Always wipe up spills/splashes immediately to prevent staining of the grout.

**NOTE:** *It is the homeowner's responsibility to re-seal the grout with a certified grout sealant. This should be done on an annual basis. You can purchase a grout sealer from your local home improvement store.*

## 9.17 LIGHT FIXTURES

The ceiling above your Dining room has been wired for a ceiling fixture. A temporary fixture has been provided for inspection purposes. *Please use a licensed electrician when installing your decorative fixture.*

*\*Please note that light bulbs and tubes are a maintenance item. These can be purchased from an electrical supply store. Before requesting warranty service, ensure that you have tried replacing the bulb or tube in your fixture.*

## 9.18 MIRRORS AND MIRROR FRAMES

To clean the mirror, use a soft cloth with just water first. Foam base cleaning solution is preferred, but you may use a non-alkaline base and ammonia free cleaning solution if necessary. Never use abrasive material on mirrors which can "attack" the surface of the glass or which can cause scratches. Put the cleaning solution directly on the cloth instead of spraying directly on mirrors and do not leave the cleaning solution on the mirror after cleaning. On the mirrors frosted frame, please use a clean cloth which has been lightly dampened with water, no harsh cleaners or ammonia should be used on the frame.

*\*Please also be aware of cleaner and moisture on the silver backing of the mirror, as this may cause spoiling.*

## 9.19 PAINTED SURFACES

The colours of the walls and wood trim paint have been chosen by an interior designer to coordinate with your in-suite colour scheme. Your in-suite paint schedule is shown below.

### PAINT SCHEDULE (ALL SUITES) ALL PAINT is Pratt & Lambert and is available at DULUX

<b>Walls</b>	Pratt & Lambert - 33-11 - Windham Eggshell - semi-gloss
<b>Ceilings</b>	Pratt & Lambert - 33-1 - Windham - flat
<b>Wood Trim</b>	Pratt & Lambert - 33-1 - Designer White-semi-gloss
<b>Interior Doors</b>	Pratt & Lambert - 33-1 - Designer White-semi-gloss

The paint supplier for Pratt & Lambert is:

Dulux Paints

**Phone: 604-273-1501**

8360 Granville Avenue Richmond, BC V6Y 0A7

## 9.20 PLUMBING FIXTURES

**Plumbing Pipes:** Care should be taken not to bump plumbing pipes while moving objects around in the cabinet under the sinks. You could dislodge the pipes and cause leaking.

**Shower:** The shower fixture is made to conserve water. The showerhead ensures normal pressure while a restricted volume of water is used.

**Toilets:** Please flush only normal waste and toilet tissue down the toilet. Kleenex and paper towels, diapers will not break down sufficiently and may cause blockage if flushed.

**Note:** *DO NOT use tank cleaners that have chorine or bleach as they may damage the flapper valve and other components in the toilet tank. Any damage resulting from these products is not covered by the warranty.*

**Green Staining:** You may notice a green stain forming on your sinks and bathtubs. This is caused by copper salts in the water and is a normal condition in our water supply. This condition is sometimes referred to as "green rust" and is most noticeable in bathrooms where the grease from hand and body soaps causes it to adhere to bathroom fixtures. Frequent cleaning will prevent build up.

## 9.21 SMOKE ALARM

If the alarm is set off by mistake, open windows to clear any smoke in the area of the detector. To keep your unit in good working order, it should be vacuumed monthly. Use a soft brush or wand attachment, and vacuum all slots in the cover and sides.

**Caution Note:** *Check the smoke alarm every week by pressing the test button and holding until the smoke alarm sounds, then release. A loud pulsating sound will indicate it is functioning properly. A continuous green light located behind the slotted case indicates that the smoke alarm is receiving AC power. DO NOT disconnect your smoke alarm for any reason.*

## 9.22 STAINLESS STEEL SINKS

Clean with a soft cloth, mild detergent and water. To restore the original deep lustre, use a liquid or paste metal polish such as *Vim*. Do not use abrasives or scouring pads - they will take away the special finish.

Do not use metal scouring pads, as they will scratch and cause rust stains in the sink. If using a rubber sink mat, be sure to remove it when not washing dishes. Organic particles may decay under the mat, causing the sink to stain.

## 9.23 Suite Alarm Systems

All suites on level 1 have been equipped with an in-suite security alarm system. Each system includes a keypad, door/window sensors, motion detector, and an audible alarm.

*All other levels, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor through 4<sup>th</sup> floor have been pre-wired for an alarm system. If you wish to have an alarm system installed in your suite, you may contact any Alarm Company of your choice.*

For detailed instructions on how to operate your alarm system, please refer to your operations manual.

**The default master code for your system is 1 2 3 4. You may change your master or access codes; however, it is your responsibility to retain these new numbers if you or your tenant changes the master code.**

**NOTE:** Restoring your personal security codes is not a warranty issue.



Model: DSC – Power Series 8-Zone LED Keypad PK5508

## 9.24 TAPS

Clean faucets with clear water and dry with a clean soft cloth. Do not use soaps, acids, polish, abrasives, harsh cleansers or a cloth with a coarse surface. They may cause de-plating of the finishes, or damage to the plastics.

## 9.25 WATER PRESSURE

Your building has been designed to Vancouver energy bylaws, which require lower water consumption; therefore, you may notice lower pressure and flows in the plumbing fixtures than you have experienced in other cities or past residences.

## 9.26 WATER SHUT OFF VALVES

The domestic suite water shut off valves are located behind the access panel with the "Hot/Cold Water Shut Off " label affixed to it. It is important to familiarize yourself with this location and to maintain clear access to it at all times.



## 9.27 WALL TILES

Tiles should be wiped down after every shower or bath to help prevent mildew.

A liquid silicone sealer should be applied to wall tiles and grout areas every year to prevent water from penetrating the grout and from seeping into the drywall behind.

***NOTE: It is the homeowner's responsibility to re-seal the grout with a certified grout sealant. This should be done on an annual basis. You can purchase a grout sealer from your local home improvement store.***

## 9.28 WINDOW BLINDS (Roller)

Roller blinds offer privacy and elegance in your new home. To lower or raise the blinds use the attached chains. Note that there is a larger portion of chain that acts as a "roller stop". Do not pull the blind past this "roller stop" as it will damage the mechanism.

Regular dusting with a feather duster, a blind duster or vacuuming will extend the life and beauty of this product.

**DO NOT** use steam, hot water, bleach or any abrasive or solvent-based cleaners. To ensure proper drying, provide adequate ventilation for shades.

## 9.29 WINDOWS

Triple glazed thermal windows have been installed in your home. Rainwater should drain out the weep holes. If water starts to accumulate, check that the holes are not blocked. Ensure windows are closed tightly during rainy weather.

***NOTE: DO NOT REMOVE or adjust the window restrictors.***

In accordance with building code safety requirements for window heights, operable windows less than 1070 mm (3'6") above the floor are required to have a restraining device to prevent the window from opening more than 100 mm (4").

## 9.30 WINDOW SCREENS

Window screens have been installed on the operable windows in your home.

Regular maintenance is required to keep them looking new.

Dust lightly with a cloth or duster to remove any dust. A vacuum cleaner may also be used. Place the soft brush attachment on the hose and run very lightly over screens being careful not to push too hard and stretch the screen.

## **10.0 LEGAL DISCLAIMER**

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