

# Fire Safety at Kings Gate Condominium Building

## **FIRE SAFETY** **BEGINS WITH YOU!**

**Be aware of what to** do if a fire happens in the building

**Know the fire safety characteristics** of the building and the fire emergency procedures outlined in the fire safety plan

**Know the locations** of all the emergency exit stairways from your floor in case the nearest you is blocked by fire

### **IF THERE IS A FIRE IN YOUR UNIT:**

- Tell everyone in the unit to leave.  
**Close all doors behind you.**
- **DO NOT** collect personal belongings
- Pull the fire alarm in your floor and yell **"FIRE"**
- Leave the building using the nearest stairway
- **DO NOT** use the elevator
- Call **911** when you are safe
- Call the building management company (**Perennial Management Limited**)
  - Regular Hours: 754.2057
  - After Hours: 754.2505

### **SMOKE/CO<sub>2</sub> DETECTORS & ALARMS:**

**DO NOT** touch, **DO NOT** block with household items, **DO NOT** disconnect from electrical power, **TEST and CLEAN** once a month

### **AUTOMATIC SPRINKLERS:**

**DO NOT** touch, **DO NOT** hit while moving furniture, **DO NOT** cover, tape over or hang anything from it, **KEEP ITEMS** 450mm/ 18 inches away,

### **HOUSE KEEPING FIRE HAZARDS:**

#### **General**

- **KEEP** exits, stairwells, hallways free of obstructions

#### **Electrical**

- **DO NOT** overload circuits by plugging too many items into wall receptacles
- **DO NOT** use higher wattage light bulbs than recommended

#### **Storage**

- **DO NOT** store products such as paint thinner, gasoline, propane, etc. inside the building
- **DO NOT** place items closer than ≈ 450mm/ 18 inches away from sprinklers

#### **Kitchen/Cooking**

- **DO NOT** leave stoves, ovens, toasters, kettles, BBQ unattended while in use

#### **Laundry**

- **DO NOT** allow lint to build up in dryer, and secondary lint trap

#### **Alarms**

- **TEST &** clean smoke/Fire, CO<sub>2</sub> detectors regularly

#### **Candles**

- **DO NOT** leave lighted candles unattended

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## → TO STAY IN THE UNIT OR GO? ←

Most of the time, the best thing to do in a fire is to leave the building as soon as possible. But in some cases, you may not be able to leave, and you may have to stay in your unit. **WHETHER YOU DECIDE TO STAY OR GO, YOU MUST ACT QUICKLY AND PROTECT YOURSELF FROM THE SMOKE.**

### **IF YOU DECIDE TO LEAVE THE BUILDING, WHEN YOU HEAR THE FIRE ALARM:**

- Feel the door to your unit before opening it.
  - If it is hot, **DO NOT** open.
  - If it is cool, **OPEN** and leave immediately, using the closest stairway to exit the building.
- **CLOSE** all doors behind you.
- **DO NOT** use the elevator.
- If you encounter smoke in the stairway, use another stairway.
- If this is not an option, return to your unit, or seek shelter in another unit.
- **KNOCK** on other residents' doors as you pass by.
- Call **9-1-1** and let them know where you are.

- **DO NOT** return to the building until "All Clear".

### **IF YOU CAN'T GET OUT OF YOUR UNIT OR YOU DECIDE TO STAY IN YOUR UNIT:**

- Stay in your unit until you are rescued or until you are told to leave.
- ***This may take a long time.***
- **DO NOT** try to leave your unit a long time after the alarm has sounded. The longer you wait, the more risk there is that heavy smoke will have spread into stairways and corridors. Your chances of survival are less.
- **KEEP** smoke from entering your unit. Use tape to seal cracks around the door and place wet towels at the bottom. Seal vents or air ducts the same way.

### **IF SMOKE ENTERS YOUR UNIT:**

- Call **9-1-1** and tell them where you are and then move to the balcony. **Close the doors behind you.**
- If you can't access the balcony, go to the most smoke-free room, close the door and seal it with tape and/or wet towels. If necessary, open the window for fresh air. Show emergency personnel where you are by hanging a sheet from the window or balcony.
- **KEEP** low to the floor where the air is cleaner.
- **LISTEN** for instructions from authorities