

## **Tenant Guide to Maintenance**

# Before Requesting Maintenance

### Some small repairs are your responsibility:

- Changing light bulbs, batteries, air filters. Unclogging small drain blockages, stopping minor leaks, and troubleshooting appliance issues. (check your lease for details)
- Need help? Refer to the **DIY Maintenance Guide**

#### **Locked Out?**

- Business Hours: Call Edge to speak with your property manager for assistance.
- After Hours: Call a locksmith (you cover the cost).
  - o If locks are changed, inform Edge the next business day.

## **Power Outage?** Check your provider's website:

- PGE
- Pacific Power
- Clark Public Utilities

# **Reporting Maintenance Issues**

## Non-Emergency Maintenance (Handled During Business Hours)

- **Submit Requests Online:** Log into your **Tenant Portal** and submit a maintenance request with details and photos.
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    Submit a Maintenance Request

    Output

    Description:
- **Status Updates:** Please check your tenant portal to track the status of your maintenance request, you may also call to check progress.
- Examples:
  - o Small leak? Place a bucket under it & submit a request.
  - o Broken appliances? Stop using them & submit a request.
  - Heating/A/C issues? If the temperature is bearable, submit a request.
  - o Clogged drains or toilets? If another is available, submit a request. Otherwise, call Edge.
  - Missing mail or trash key? Call Edge during business hours
- Fees & Charges:
  - Missed Appointments: If you request to be present during a scheduled maintenance visit but aren't available to provide access, a \$120 trip charge may apply
  - Tenant-Caused Damage: Damage beyond normal wear and tear may result in a \$120 minimum service charge, plus the cost of materials & any necessary repairs

### Emergency Maintenance (Handled Anytime)

For urgent issues that pose safety risks or could cause damage, call the **Edge Emergency Maintenance Line (503-841-5923).** 

- Examples
  - o Burst pipes or Water won't stop running? Turn off the water & call Edge.
  - o Gas leak? Leave immediately, call NW Natural (800-882-3377), then call Edge.
  - o Fire? Call 911 first, then notify Edge.
  - o Roof leak? Place a bucket under it & call Edge.



- Broken Building/Lobby/Gate Entry? Call Edge.
- o Broken Apartment Door (Not due to locking yourself out)? Call Edge

## Important Reminder

All **non-emergency** requests **must** be submitted via your **Tenant Portal**. Requests sent via text or email may not be reviewed.

Thank you for helping keep your home in great shape! -Edge Asset Management

# **X** DIY Maintenance Guide

### 1. Unclogging Drains

- Use a plunger.
- o Pour baking soda & vinegar, wait an hour, then flush with hot water.
- Avoid clogs: Keep grease, hair, and debris out.
- o How to Unclog a Drain

### 2. Changing Light Bulbs

- Use the correct wattage. (Bring old bulbs to the hardware store, so staff can determine the replacement bulbs needed)
- If a new bulb doesn't work, report it.

### 3. Testing Smoke Detectors

- o Press test button monthly. If weak or silent, replace batteries immediately.
- Change batteries yearly.

### 4. Managing HVAC Filters

- o Replace/clean every 3 months (or more often for pets/allergies).
- How to Replace HVAC Filters

### 5. Preventing Pest Infestations

- Keep food stored properly, take out trash regularly.
- Report signs of pests early.

#### 6. Dealing with Leaks

- Report leaking faucets, pipes, or toilets ASAP.
- o Use a bucket or towel to minimize damage. If possible, shut off water.
- How to Shut Off Water in an Apartment

### 7. Understanding Your Breaker Box

- Know its location.
- o If power is out in one area, check for a tripped breaker.
- How to Reset GFCI Outlets & the Breaker

#### 8. Proper Garbage Disposal Use

- Avoid putting bones, fibrous foods, and starches in the disposal.
- o Run cold water while using it.
- o If clogged, press the reset button under the sink.
- o <u>Unjamming a Garbage Disposal</u>

By handling these simple tasks, you can prevent major issues and keep your home in great condition!