

Uniting Housing - Renter’s guide to preventing mould.

General

- Ventilate rooms by opening windows and doors regularly.
- Place furniture away from the walls and reduce clutter.
- Report faulty or broken exhaust fans, range hoods, air conditioning units to your Property Manager immediately.
- Report any water leaks to your Property Manager immediately.
- If you do find mould, report it to your Property Manager immediately.
- Keep gardens well maintained. Trim trees and shrubs (if able) that grow close to the house. This will allow good ventilation around the property and inhibit the transfer of mould spores inside the home.
- Use a dehumidifier to draw moisture from rooms or run A/C units on dry cycle.
- Wiping condensation off windows and windowsills/frames.

Bathroom

- Run the exhaust fan during a hot shower/bath and for 30 minutes after.
- Open windows during and after showers to allow moisture to exit.
- Ensure exhaust fan is clean and remove dust.

Kitchen

- Use range hood or exhaust fan to help draw moisture when cooking.
- Ensure exhaust fan/vents/filters are clean and remove dust.

Laundry

- Dry clothes outdoors to prevent moisture build up inside the home.
- If you use a clothes dryer, ensure windows/doors are open to allow moisture to exit.

Bedrooms and Living Areas

- Open windows and blinds/curtains to increase ventilation and sunlight.
- Close windows when raining.
- Keep indoor plants to a minimum.

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