

# Troubleshooting:

**Mold/Windows:** Mold can and will form on windows when the blinds are left shut all or most of the time. To avoid mold on your windows keep blinds open as much as possible (so air can circulate and keep the window dry) and/or wipe moisture accumulation daily and spray any mold with a mold killing solution. We recommend running a fan to help circulate the air if moisture/mold accumulation problems still exist.

**No power to bathroom/kitchen outlets:** The outlets in the kitchen, bathrooms and laundry area are GFI ... which is a safety measure in the event they come into contact with water. If this happens just hit the reset button on the outlet and the power should return to the outlet. If this does not fix the problem, check the circuit breaker box for a tripped breaker.

**Air Conditioning:** For the best performance of your wall air conditioner you need to keep the filter clean ... it is simple to do, you just pull the filter out rinse in cold water, let it dry and slide it back into the unit.

**Stove:** To prevent fires and burning odors be sure to keep the coils, drip pans and oven clean of food. The oven is self-cleaning, you just need to wipe it out with a wet rag after it has cleaned and cooled. REMEMBER to shut off burners/oven when finished. Use extreme caution when cooking with oil and be prepared in the event an oil fire occurs.

**Dryer:** For optimum performance and fire safety please be sure to check and clean the lint filter before and after you start a load in the dryer.

**Dishwasher:** Every two months, run the unit with a quart of white vinegar added to the tank (no dishes or detergent for this!). This removes any deposits left behind in the tub ... this is important to remove grease and residue from the detergent. Do not use gel detergents as they create more problems than they solve: they dissolve the rubber seals, cloud glassware, leave a whitish film and spots, they never really rinse off the interior and will often clog the detergent dispenser. Another thing that can cause your glasses to go white/etch is from pre-rinsing your dishes. The harsh chemicals in dishwasher detergent need some dirt on the dishes to work on otherwise they work on etching your glassware. Just scrape your dishes of big stuff and don't rinse them off. (Remember not to let dirty dishes sit in the dishwasher for too long as it will start to smell) Because of the city's hard water a film may be left on glassware in the dishwasher. It is recommended you do not overload the dishwasher; load it properly and wash glassware by hand.

**Toilets:** Invest in a good plunger ... most of our toilets are power flush so you shouldn't have any problems, but the few extra dollars spent on a higher quality plunger will save a lot of headaches if you need it and the inexpensive ones are rarely strong enough to do the job.

**Fire Safety Reminder:** Please remember to check your smoke detector batteries monthly. Plan possible and alternate escape routes in the event of a fire and familiarize yourself with the location of fire extinguishers.