

## **Homeowner Orientation**

## **Check-List**

Loc./Initials	ltem	Comments
Kitchen	HO Handbook	Have you received your CD with warranty and HOA documents? Are there any questions?
Kitchen	Documents/Issues	Explain all documents first, have them fill out the Necessary forms before the Orientation but do not have them sign them. Make sure to discuss mail, HOA, Maintenance Company, temporary parking, etc.
Kitchen	Warranty	Explain that many items that will be viewed today are Only covered while on the Orientation. These items include window screen cuts and/or tears, appliance dents and scratches; cuts, nicks, scratches and stains in flooring materials, nicks in walls, cracked or chipped toilets and/or showers, any caulking
Kitchen	Garage Parking Space	Confirm the homeowner garage parking space. At this time, or after the Orientation, confirm their correct space.
Kitchen	Appl. Warr.	Show them the Appliance warranty cards and let them Know that they need to filled out completely and sent in. Put all manuals, warranty cards, etc. in the clear plastic folder and then put them in the drawer.
Kitchen	Utility Service	Explain that the homeowners need to have the utilities changed into their name to avoid interruption of service. Order telephone service as soon as possible. Let them know when city trash service is occurring.
Kitchen	Paint Kit	Give the homeowner their paint kit. Explain that this is a

		Gift from the Fulton Court Homeowner's Association. Explain the contents of the kit. Leave it under the cabinet in the kitchen.
Kitchen	Garbage Disposal	Explain operation – run cold water when in use. Do not Put hard items like steak bones and artichoke leaves down the disposal. To unjam the unit, turn off and unplug it. Use the "key" to turn the gears, and show the location of the reset button. Plug the unit in
Kitchen	Dishwasher	Make sure the unit is attached to the countertop. Make Sure the door closes properly. Is the unit centered in the opening? Run the unit to check for leaks.
Kitchen	Stove/Microwave	Refer to manufacturer for use and care. Is the unit level And centered in the opening? If gas, show the unit shut-off behind the stove. For all appliances, contact the manufacturer directly. (For Orientation – If appliances do not operate, always check the circuit breaker box first.)
Kitchen	Range/Vent Hood	If installed, this is a recirculation system. Show how to remove and reinstall the filter for the system.
Kitchen	Cabinets	Check that doors are level. Adjust hinges is necessary. Follow manufacturer's recommendations for cleaning. However, suggest that all cleaning be down with a small amount of water only. Chemicals and harsh cleaners can dull and scratch the surface. Never let any liquid stand on your cabinets. Wipe this up immediately. Wood is a natural product and each piece takes paint or stain differently. No two doors will look alike.
Kitchen	Countertops	Check for cracks, chips, etc. in countertops. Check grout for same. Point out that the grout is unsealed and that the homeowner may want to seal the grout to prevent staining. However, be aware that sealing grout may darken it. In solid surface granite, discuss the differences in look and feel due to the nature of the product.
Kitchen	GFIC Outlet(s)	Demonstrate use. Explain different locations, including The kitchen, laundry room, and bathrooms. Explain that one GFI may control more than one outlet. Also explain that you do not want to plug in a freezer or other appliance into this system as it can trip, spoiling refrigerated goods.

Kitchen	Faucet	Explain operation and emphasize cleaning of aerators. Show location and operation of water shut-offs. Never use pliers or wrenches on your faucet heads – this will scratch and damage them permanently. Tighten and loosen by hand.
Living Room	Switched Outlets	Show/explain which ones are controlled by a wall switch.
LR/DR	Fireplace	Explain operation. Explain how glass may cloud during the\first few minutes of operation because of the cold air inside the fire box. This is a result of condensation. Also, explain that during the first few uses there may be a slight burning smell. This is packaging materials inside the unit and on the vent pipes burning off. Over time, the glass may become soiled. It can be cleaned.
LR/DR	Fireplace Tile	Like kitchen tile, the grout is unsealed. During operation, tile may become warm to the touch. This is not a problem.
LR/DR	Can Lighting	(optional) Switch location. Discuss maximum light bulb wattage.
LR/DR	Ceiling Fan Prewire	Switch location.
LR/DR	Glass and Screens	Inspect for cracks, breaks, etc. Are screens in place? Tears or scratches? Must be found at today's Orientation.
LR/DR	Sliding Glass Door	Inspect for cracks, breaks, etc. Is the screen in place?  Does the door lock properly? Does the door slide freely? This is Orientation only.
LR/DR	Thermostat	Show location and demonstrate use.
LR/DR	Carpet	Check for loose areas, gaps or fraying at the edges. Explain that seams are necessary because carpet only comes in 12' wide lengths. Explain carpet shedding and how it will disappear in time. You can't over vacuum your carpet. Also, change traffic patterns to reduce wear.
LR/DR	Hardwood	Inspect for gouges and excessive separation. Explain That wood is a natural product and no two pieces will look alike. Also, explain how hardwood floors will

		expand and contract during the changing seasons. Finally, never let any liquid sit on hardwood floors. It will stain the surface. Wipe up immediately.
Bathroom	Vinyl	Inspect vinyl floors for damage. Recommend to homeowner's that they sweep their vinyl floors frequently to eliminate dirt and grit that can dull the surface. For tougher stains, use a small amount of water and make sure to leave the surface completely dry when finished. Do not leave any liquid on the floors.
Bathroom	Countertops/Formica	Check for scratches, separations, gouges, chips or tears.  Do not use abrasive cleaners and explain that all liquid should be wiped up immediately to prevent staining, warping, and loosening of the surface – all of which are unwarrantable.
Bathroom	Cabinets	Inspect for damage. Make sure the doors are level.
Bathroom	Toilet	Explain 1.6 gallon toilet (this is federally mandated since 1994) and that homeowner's may need to flush twice to eliminate solid waste. Do not flush diapers or sanitary products down the toilet. Show location of water shutoff valve. Explain how to adjust the water level in the tank.
Bathroom	Shower and Tub	Explain use of shower and tub drains. Explain water Barrier (p-trap) between sewer and home. For unused showers and sinks, run water in the trap once a month to keep the barrier intact.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Bedroom	Door Knobs	Will loosen with useTighten with a screwdriver
2 <sup>nd</sup> Bedroom	Return Air Grill	Show location and explain operation. Do not block the flow of air.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Bedroom	Air Registers	Show location and explain operation. Inform the homeowner about regulating air flow through the registers, as temperatures will vary throughout the home.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Bedroom	Smoke Detectors	Show location and explain operation. Explain back-up battery. Explain how they are hard-wired into the electrical system.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Bedroom	Paint	Do not scrub latex-painted interior walls.

Master BR	Drywall	Normal settling crack may occur. Fill cracks with latex Caulk or a spackle compound and touch up with paint if necessary.
Utility Room	HVAC System	Show location. Explain the system and that it is warranted through the manufacturer. If your system shuts down, refer to the manual for instructions on how to light it. In case of a gas leak show the location of the shut-off valve.
Utility Room	HVAC Filter	Show location. Change filter within the first 30 days and Then on a regular basis as needed. Dirty filters reduce efficiency and increase utility bills.
Utility Room	A/C Condensation	Show location of drain lines and explain operation. Make sure that the drain that they drain into is kept clean and free of dirt and debris.
Utility Room	Water Heater	Show location and explain operation. Show location of Water and gas shut-off valves. Explain different settings for water temperature (very hot, hot, vacation, etc.). Very hot water can seriously injure small children.
Utility Room	Main House Water Shut-off	Show location and explain operation.
Hallway	Circuit Breaker Panel	Show location and explain operation.
Hallway	Security System	Show location and explain operation.
Garage	Garage Door Opener	Explain operation. Do not operate the door with the lock bar engaged. They get one opener and a keypad. Show them the location of the keypad and how to reset.
Outside	Main Gas Meter	Show location of the unit at the end of the building. Explain the shut-off valve.
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