CLEANING SUGGESTIONS

Upon move-out, you are expected to leave the unit in the same condition it was in when you moved into the unit, minus normal wear and tear. It is expected that the apartment be move-in ready clean for the next occupant. A suggestion for cleaning is to clean the unit as well as you would like it to be if you were new and moving in to the apartment. Below are some suggestions for cleaning along with general items that are often missed. Please remember that items mentioned are suggestions and there may be additional items specific to each unit that will need to be cleaned (ex. garages, yards, patios).

GENERAL CLEANING

- Clean all baseboards and doorjambs with a damp cloth to remove dust and cobwebs.
- Clean all outlet covers and switch plate covers of dust, dirt, and fingerprints.
- Clean all light fixtures of dust and bugs.
- Clean all windows (inside & outside) including window frames and tracks. *Note:* Residents of upstairs units will not be charged for cleaning outside upstairs windows that cannot be accessed by a walkway or balcony.
- Note: It is helpful to continuously change the dirty water while cleaning.

KITCHEN

- Clean walls of grease and dust, especially near the sink and stove.
- Clean inside and outside of kitchen cabinets and drawers and wipe them clean of sticky spots and crumbs.
- Clean stove and oven. Be sure to clean under stove top and wipe off oven cleaner residue with vinegar.
- Defrost the freezer and clean refrigerator and freezer inside and outside. Don't forget to clean underneath and behind the refrigerator. (Please, either leave the refrigerator on or leave it with the doors open.)
- Clean sink and faucets.
- Clean floors. Be sure to get in the corners and edges. This includes moving the refrigerator and stove and sweeping and mopping underneath these appliances.

BATHROOM

- Clean all walls and ceilings of mildew, water spots, hair and lint.
- Clean floors and baseboards, including corners and edges.
- Clean tubs, showers and sinks of all hair, mildew and soap scum.
- Clean toilets, including back, base, bowl, and tank.
- Clean inside and outside of vanity and/or medicine cabinets.

LIVINGROOM AND BEDROOMS

- Clean cobwebs from walls, corners and ceilings.
- Clean closet shelves and floors.
- Clean baseboards, switch covers, outlet covers, and windows.

CARPETS

- Before you moved in, the carpets were either professionally steam-cleaned or were new. Therefore, the carpets must be steam cleaned before a new resident moves in to the unit, unless they are to be replaced.
- Should you not have the carpets cleaned upon move-out, we will have the carpets professionally steam-cleaned, and the cost will be deducted from the security deposit.
- Should you decide to schedule the carpet cleaning yourself, please be sure to provide a copy of the invoice from the professional steam-cleaning company at the time you vacate the apartment to verify that the service was done. Otherwise we must assume that it has not been done.
- The use of a Rug Doctor or any like device for cleaning carpets yourself does not qualify as having the carpets professionally steam-cleaned.

Some suggested products:

Bar Keepers Friend Cleaner and Polisher, Clorox Sprays and Wipes, Easy-Off Oven Cleaner, Goo Gone, Krud Kutter, Lysol Sprays and Wipes, Mr. Clean Magic Eraser, Pine Sol, Tilex, Windex

VENDOR PRICE LIST

GENERAL CLEANING (updated: 8/01/2019)

	STUDIO	1BR/1BA	2BR/1BA	2BR/2BA	3BR/2BA	4BR/2BA
EXTRA LIGHT	\$95 - \$115	\$100 - \$130	\$115 - \$135	\$150 - \$175	\$160 - \$195	\$175 - \$205
LIGHT	\$155 - \$180	\$155 - \$180	\$155 - \$195	\$180 - \$205	\$190 - \$225	\$205 - \$235
MEDIUM	\$180 - \$205	\$180 - \$210	\$195 - \$215	\$205 - \$245	\$225 - \$255	\$235 - \$285
HEAVY	\$205 - \$230	\$210 - \$245	\$215 - \$245	\$245 - \$300	\$255 - \$325	\$285 - \$335
EXTRA HEAVY	\$230 - \$280	\$245 - \$295	\$245 - \$305	\$305 - \$380	\$325 - \$405	\$335 - \$425
ADDITIONAL	\$30 / HOUR					

Additional charges apply for the cleaning of: WINDOWS, BLINDS, STRIP & WAX of FLOORS

	EACH	DI DIDG	EACH: SMALL	EACH: LARGE		CERTAIN OF ANY ANY	PER HOUR
WINDOWS	\$13.00	BLINDS	\$13.00	\$18.00		STRIP & WAX	\$40.00

Approved Vendors:

Silvia's Cleaning Company	(805) 682-6141	SB & Ventura	www.silviascleaning.net
Quality Maids	(805) 588-0600	SB & North County	www.qualitymaidssantabarbara.com
Cha Cha Cleaning	(805) 722-4883	Santa Barbara	www.chachacleaning.com
M & M Cleaning	(805) 636-4111	Santa Barbara	www.mm-cleaninggservice.com

These prices are quoted by our approved vendors listed above and are offered by them to residents of Meridian Group. These prices are based on cleaning the entire unit, while completely vacant. We cannot guarantee these prices or that additional deductions will not be made from your security deposit if you request only certain or specific areas of the unit be cleaned, or that it be cleaned while still occupied. Prices are subject to change based on the actual size of the unit, extra or additional rooms (garages, laundry rooms, decks, patios, etc.) or extraordinary circumstances.

STEAM CLEANING: CARPET, FURNITURE, UPHOLSTRY (updated: 8/01/2019)

	STUDIO	1BR/1BA	2BR/1BA	2BR/2BA	3BR/2BA	4BR/2BA		
UNFURNISHED	\$90	\$110	\$125	\$145	\$160	\$180		
FURNISHED	\$100	\$120	\$140	\$140	\$175	\$190		
STAIRS	\$60 minimum							
FURNITURE	\$50 minimum							

Approved Vendors:

Classic Carpet Care	(805) 497-3695	SB & Ventura	www.capricarpetcare.com
Oliveira's Carpets	(805) 736-9399	North County	www.oliveirasonline.com

Heavily soiled carpets, trash pick-up and hauling are subject to additional charges. These prices are quoted by our approved vendors listed above. If you would like to schedule to have the carpets cleaned, you may contact them for an appointment. There is a minimum charge of \$90.

PAINTING (updated: 04/10/2017)

COMPLETE (MINIMUM CHARGE)									
STUDIO 1BR / 1BA 2BR / 1BA 2BR / 2BA 3BR / 2BA 4BR / 2BA									
\$710	\$710 \$895 \$1,065 \$1,220 \$1,375 \$1,565						\$1,565		
PIECE WORK (EACH)									
BEDROOM	BEDROOM LIVING ROOM KITCHEN BATHROOM HALLWAY WALL KITCHEN CABINETS								
\$200	\$200	\$220	\$220	\$220	\$50	\$345 - \$700			

Walls that are damaged and require repair or that are painted a different color other than the original color are subject to additional charges. Painting is amortized over a 3-year period. For example: if your apartment was painted before you moved in and you are moving out a year later, you would be responsible for 2/3 of the cost to re-paint as needed after 1 year of living there. If it was painted the year before you moved in, you would be responsible for 1/3 of the cost to re-paint after 2 years of living there.

HAULING is billed back at an hourly rate plus dump fees. Any items remaining in or around the unit will be hauled away and charges incurred will be deducted from the security deposit. To avoid these charges, all trash must be placed inside of the trash receptacles, and large items should be taken directly to the dump. Cleaning of overflowing trash and large items around the dumpster will be billed back evenly to all vacating residents.

*NOTE: Prices listed above are estimations of costs. These costs may increase or decrease depending on the actual condition of the unit, the actual work required and for extraordinary damages. Prices are subject to change based on the actual size of the unit and additional rooms (garages, laundry rooms, decks, patios, etc.).