

# **About Fire Detection**

## **Smoke Detector:**

Each suite has a smoke detector (larger suites will have 2 or more smoke detectors) located on the ceiling. The smoke detector is activated by the presence of smoke such as burning toast etc. The alarm will only be heard within your suite and can be de-activated by clearing the air around the detector. The smoke detectors do not require a battery, as they are hardwired to the breaker panel.

**Maintenance:** Residents are encouraged to check at least once a month to ensure the smoke detector is functioning properly. To do this, simply depress the test button on the smoke detector until it sounds. Should it not sound within a second or two, notify the Property Management Office immediately.

### **Heat Detector:**

Each suite is equipped with a heat detector. This additional safety feature detects intense heat build up in the home and activates the fire alarm in the building. The heat detector is hard wired to the Concierge and should intense heat be detected within the suite, the Concierge will be notified.

#### Carbon Monoxide detector:

The units on the ground and some other floors are equipped with combination smoke/carbon monoxide detectors, because of the existence of the builder-installed gas supply on terraces for BBQs. In all cases they are all hardwired and on battery back up on these floors.

## Speaker:

Each suite has a fire alarm speaker (larger suites have 2 or more speakers) located on the ceiling in the vicinity of the smoke detector(s) as required by the fire code. The building fire alarm will be heard in each suite through the speaker. When this alarm sounds, follow evacuation procedures. Each suite is equipped with a 30-second fire alarm silencer.

**NOTE:** Speakers must not be disconnected. The suite owner will be held responsible for the reconnection of fire alarm speakers within your suite.

#### Inspections:

On an annual basis, usually in the Fall, the corporation arranges for the detectors in every suite to be tested.

On a monthly basis, the corporation arranges for inspection of the building alarm system as per the requirements of the Ontario Fire Code.