

Canahahns Company Limited aims to operate in the most environmentally responsible manner possible in order to reduce the impact of our business activities on the environment.

By encouraging sustainable and environmentally friendly practices with our employees, residents and contractors, we can help achieve the continued enjoyment of the environment around us for future generations.

As a Certified Rental Building member, Canahahns has taken steps in implementing environmental management policies and procedures which meet all environment certification standards. If you do not have or wish to obtain a copy of our Environmental Management Policies please see your building Resident Manager.

Our recent efforts over the last couple of years consist of several measures taken to reduce energy consumption. Two large projects that have been completed are the installation of LED lighting throughout the common areas of the building and the installation of an exterior insulation and finishing system (EFIS). Both projects have been beneficial to energy savings. Some other measures that we have taken include the installation of low flow toilets, shower heads and faucets during in-suite renovations.

The lighting fixtures in your apartment were chosen specifically to utilize GU24 style CFL bulbs. The CFL bulbs represent a large energy reduction over incandescent bulbs. For the convenience of our tenants we are able to offer these bulbs for sale at a cost that is lower than most retail locations. These are available from the buildings management office. Keep in mind that these CFL bulbs are considered household hazardous waste and are not to be disposed of in the regular waste or recycling.

We have previously provided our tenants with information and guides pertaining to waste and recycling management within the building. We had a representative from the Region of Peel waste department visit the building and review these guides with tenants. We are working to arrange future visits for tenants who were not available and for new tenants to help in waste management education.

We make available to tenants recycling bags provided by the Region of Peel to help you transport your recyclables to the appropriate bins outside. If you wish another bag, please see your Resident Manager. It is important to dispose of your recyclables properly. For instance, if you tie your recyclables in a plastic shopping bag, they will end up in a landfill and not recycled.

More information on waste, recycling, and household hazardous waste is available on the Region of Peel website at www.peelregion.ca/waste.

Canahahns Company Limited does participate in a program with the Region of Peel in which we are issued quarterly waste management report cards that we use to evaluate the waste and recycling diversion at our buildings.

Here are some tips for energy conservation in your apartment:

- Using a lower BTU air conditioner in the summer time and/or set your air conditioner to a lower setting to keep the apartment at a temperature that is not too cold.
- Use of fans in place of air conditioners can have a dramatic reduction in hydro consumption.
- Be sure to remove air conditioners in winter time as cold air can enter the apartment through the AC.
- During the summer, cook at night time to put less strain on the cooling efforts of an air conditioner.
- Turn off your air conditioner when you are not home and/or set it to cycle on just prior to coming home.
- Turn off lights, televisions, radios, etc. when you are not at home or when not in use or needed.
- Use smart power bars that completely turn off after a set period of time, which means anything connected to them like TVs, game consoles, routers, chargers, cable boxes, and other things that use stand-by power when they are switched off will be completely turned off instead of using phantom power.
- Use a microwave for heating liquids and reheating food as opposed to a stove which would use much more electricity.
- Use our prescribed GU24 CFL bulbs when replacing light bulbs, as you know most fixtures in your apartment will only take the GU24 style bulbs.
- Report any leaking faucets or running toilets to building staff as soon as possible with the use of our maintenance request forms. Any serious water leak issue should be reported to the buildings Resident Manager immediately to mitigate any damages and water waste.
- Use of curtains in the winter help keep heat in and use of curtains/shades in the summer helps keep heat out.
- Keep the placement of furniture from blocking radiators. This will allow the heat to circulate more efficiently and keep your apartment warmer without use of any additional space heaters.

We do encourage all tenants to be proactive when it comes to energy conservation. Help us lower the environmental footprint of the building and live green together. Regardless of if you pay your own electricity costs or it is part of your rent, conserving energy is important and YOU can make a difference!

We do wish to thank all our tenants for their continued participation in our energy conservation efforts.