

Checklist when departing for the season

- Turn off all lights
- Run a low fan in large rooms
- Set thermostat to 75-76 degrees
- Make sure all AC vents are open and not blocked
- Open doors to closets, utility room, and cabinets under sinks
- Open doors to washing machine, dishwasher, and shower
- Cover toilets and drains with Saran Wrap or plug with a stopper
- SHUT OFF water to condo (any time you are away longer than 48 hours)
- Turn off circuit breaker to hot water heater
- Close shutters, if applicable
- Change batteries in door locks and smoke detectors annually

Home Watch Services

VYRC's Board of Directors recommends you engage the services of a home watch company.

Regular visits by a home watch professional can identify small problems before they become big problems. When units are vacant there is risk of undetected mold, mildew, water leaks, electricity outage, and AC or refrigerator malfunctions. Home watch can also be employed to start a car, bring packages to your unit, or oversee projects being completed. Importantly, home watch can verify completion of the checklist above and prepare a unit for entry before returning.

The Board does not recommend a specific home watch company, but many owners already employ a service.