

Vendor References

Action Management has compiled a list of vendors based on homeowners' positive experiences. If you have worked with a vendor who is worthy of recommending to other homeowners, please contact Kelly Thomson at kthomson@actionlife.com.

Air Conditioning/Heating – The air conditioners in Alicante are technically called "water source heat pumps". In this type of system, a water loop connects the cooling tower and boilers at the top of the building with all of the heat pumps located in condos and common areas throughout Alicante.

To Cool: The heat pump moves heat from a room's air to the water loop. The cooling tower moves excess heat from the water loop to the outdoors.

To Heat: The heat pump moves heat from the water loop to a room's air. The boilers at the top of the building reheat the water in the loop.

Since this system is specialized to newer high rises, ensure you contact an experienced vendor. Here is a list of vendors who you may want to consider:

California Comfort Systems USA (858) 564-1100 http://www.calcsusa.com
Countywide Mechanical Systems (619) 449-9900 http://countywidems.com
Hurn Mechanical (619) 312-1924 http://www.hurnmechanical.com

SD Air Conditioning (619) 446-6403 http://www.sdair.com

Plumbing – The plumbing in a high-rise building differs from residential plumbing. For example, Alicante's plumbing is arranged in vertical stacks that feed to horizontal lines in the garage that flow out to the city sewer system.

Because every building is unique, we recommend using plumbers familiar with the plumbing systems at Alicante. You may want to use one of the following:

Ben Smith Plumbing (619) 504-8604 Blue Planet Drains & Plumbing (619) 863-9593

Appliance Repair – If you need an appliance repaired, first check with the manufacturer to find a local certified technician. Management has received positive feedback for Martin Appliance Repair who is recommended by Frigidaire.

Martin Appliance Repair (619) 518-0332

Appliance Parts – Management has received positive feedback for Appliance Parts Company.

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1133 Columbia St, Suite 106, San Diego, CA 92101

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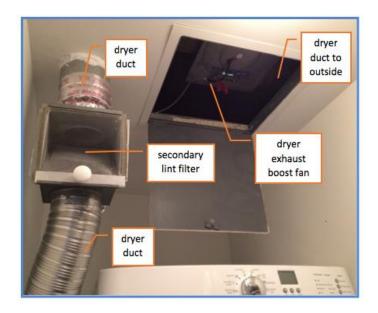
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Appliance Parts Company (619) 474-6781

www.appliancepartscenter.com

Dryer Ducts – The clothes dryers in Alicante use an exhaust system that is specific to high-rise buildings. This photo of an Alicante laundry closet shows the exhaust system's parts:



- The duct from the dryer to the secondary lint filter
- The secondary lint filter
- The duct from the secondary lint filter to the dryer exhaust boost fan
- The exhaust boost fan (Fan should turn on automatically when dryer running!)
- The eccoduct that runs from the boost fan through the ceiling to the outside of the building.

The secondary lint filter needs to be cleaned regularly, just like you would clean the dryer lint trap.

In addition, the entire dryer exhaust system must be cleaned periodically to prevent lint blockages. If a blockage occurs, or if the boost fan is not working properly:

- Warm moist air may collect in the duct; condensation may leak from the duct into your ceiling.
- Drying times will be noticeably longer, using more electricity
- Lint blockages are a fire hazard. There have been cases of lint catching fire, causing extensive damage.

Here are several vendors that have worked on Alicante dryer exhaust systems:

SD Dryer Vent Cleaning (858) 518-6088 **Air Tek Specialists** (800) 944-7484 **Coit** (619) 226-1522

For more info, also see "OMC Bulletin – Dryer Duct Cleaning" available here:

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Electrical – If you have any electrical needs, such as installing a light fixture, a ceiling fan, or replacing breakers and outlets, you may want to call Sommer Electric who has performed work in the building for the Association.

 Sommer Electric
 (760) 315-2226

 Service Electric
 (760) 291-1302

Windows – Alicante's windows are unique. If you have window repair needs, such as hinge or handle repair, you may want to call Chuck Stein with Barrier Glazing (http://barrierglazing.org).

Barrier Glazing (619) 952-6407