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Plumbing and Appliance Maintenance Tips

- Most dishwashers have their own power switch located next to the disposal switch. If your dishwasher is not working, please check and make sure the power switch is in the on position before calling maintenance.
- Most garbage disposal issues are the result of non-food items falling down the drain. Please insure that bottle caps, silverware, glass, cigarette butts, etc don't fall into the disposal. Certain food items are not recommended as well. These include bones, un-popped popcorn kernels, fibrous foods, such as corn husks, celery, onion skins, artichokes, etc, and hard fruit and vegetable pits, such as cherry or avocado.
- Never put grease, fat, or cooking oils down any sink or disposal.
- It is recommended to run cold, rather than hot, water when running the disposal.
- Always run your disposal immediately after putting food down it and always make sure the disposal is getting plenty of water while running.
- Over time small food particles may get stuck in the disposal and bacteria will grow, which can cause an unpleasant odor. Please clean your disposal frequently with soap. If an odor persists try first grinding some citrus fruit down the disposal and then grind a few ice cubes after the fruit. The acids in the citrus will kill the bacteria and the ice will ensure that no fruit particles get stuck on the blades, while at the same time also help sharpen the disposal blades.
- Please do not use drain cleaners such as draino or liquid plumber, as they can eat away at the pipes and can lead to plumbing leaks.
- Please do not use drop-in toilet cleaners, as they can clog the holes that allow water into the toilet bowl, affecting the toilet's flushing pressure.
- Do not flush anything down the toilet besides toilet paper. Paper towels and feminine hygiene products are common causes for clogs.
- Try using a plunger on and any clogs, before calling maintenance
- Please do not over fill your freezers with food as this can cause blocks in the air flow circulation and will cause your refrigerator to work harder.