

Fire Alarms

All units comprising the PCUOA are equipped with a state-of-the-art Maxsys comprehensive fire detection and alarm system consisting of a photo-electric smoke detector, an alarm horn, and two rate-of-rise heat sensors. One heat detector is located in the attic and the other in the basement (or in the utility room in the flats or the two-story units). Every building has a main alarm control panel with a battery backup located in one unit of the building. There is an annunciator panel on the exterior of every building which displays the unit and floor (attic, upper level, main level, basement) on which the alarm originated. One can check the panel to identify the unit in trouble.

An alarm sensor strobe light is mounted on every building beside the annunciator. In the event of an alarm in a building, all of the unit alarm horns in that building will sound for four minutes to aid the fire department in locating the unit in trouble. The alarm will automatically silence at the end of four minutes.

When one of the detecting devices is activated, the fire department is immediately notified by the monitoring company. When an alarm is activated in one unit, the horns in all the units of that building will sound off. *Be prepared for an emergency.* Know your building captain and the location of the outdoor annunciator - a listing of building captains and location of each building's outside annunciator panel is on the website www.littleturtle.org.

In the event of a fire or an alarm, call 9 – 1 – 1 and evacuate the building.

A trouble warning is built into the system and is signified by an amber light on the annunciator panel and a beeping every 10-20 seconds. The monitoring company will detect the trouble and report it to alarm company, the alarm company will correct the problem.

Allow the building captain to work with the Fire Department Officer-in-Charge to reset the alarm panel and reactivate the alarm system. IF the Fire Department has left and the bldg captain is unable to silence the alarm, please contact Garber Connect's after hours number •at 614.212.7900 Option #2.• The caller will be asked to leave a message and the on call technician will be notified and return your call.

If you should notice the trouble light continuing for an extended period, please notify the **Property Manager** and they will make arrangements with the alarm company to investigate. The monitoring of the system for fires will continue even when the trouble alert (amber light) is shown.

Maintenance of this alarm unit is the responsibility of the Association and an annual alarm cleaning and testing is done in order to insure that the multi-unit alarm system is operating according to its design specifications. Each resident is notified two weeks prior to an alarm inspection of the date of the inspection. The Association and/or its bonded representatives must have access to each unit on inspection day.

Any tampering with the multi-unit alarm system is subject to \$100.00 maximum enforcement charge.

Note: The multi unit alarm is for the safety and protection of all units and any part missing or damaged may result in a failure or malfunction of the alarm system. The existence of this unit, in no way prevents the individual unit owner from installing additional fire and entry alarm equipment dedicated to the unit.

PREVENT A FALSE FIRE ALARM

When you are having construction work - big or small - done in your condo, the dust and vibrations may set off our fire alarm system. To prevent this, contact Garber Connect (614.212.7900) to request they put the fire alarm system in your building in test mode for the day (8-5). If your project is set for more than one day, provide Garber with the dates of the project. This may be scheduled ahead of time. It is then your responsibility to advise your neighbors that the building's fire alarm system is in test mode and to call 9.1.1 if they detect any signs of a fire.