

Maintaining the apartment - cleaning

As a tenant it is your responsibility to carefully maintain the apartment. You can check the further instructions below. If you are uncertain of how to do specific things e.g., clean kitchen range hood filter or defrost the freezer you can find instructions from Hoas web page among others at

<https://hoas.fi/en/tenants/#takingcareofhome>

Remember as a part of your daily life

- Clean the hob and kitchen surfaces and wash the dishes after cooking, especially in a shared apartment
- Take the bins out when necessary – never store full bin bags in the apartment
- If you don't want junk mail add "ei mainoksia" (no ads) sticker on your apartment's door
- Dry the bathroom floor (and walls) after taking a shower and remove hairs from floor drain strainer

Weekly cleaning (do at least every second week)

- Put the knick-knacks where they belong
- Dust and remove stains and grime, clean light switches and doors if necessary
- Wipe the kitchen counters, hob, sink, taps and tiles if needed – remove possible stains from the cupboard doors and walls
- Hoover and wash the floors, do not use too much water to wash the floors
- Wash the toilet seat, sink and taps
- If there are grime gathering to bathroom walls or floors wash them carefully before any limescale forms to the surfaces

Annual cleaning (1-2 times per year)

- Clean the windows (when outside temperature is above 0 degrees)
- Clean the air vents
- Clean the grime from surfaces that are often touched (light switches, door handles)
- Dust the spots that are harder to reach – behind the radiator, from top of high closets etc.

Kitchen

- Clean the refrigerator and defrost and clean the freezer
- Clean the oven, hob and trays thoroughly
- Empty the cupboards and clean them, clean also the cupboard doors
- Clean the kitchen range hood filter and the range hood itself

Bathroom

- Wash the bathroom walls, floors and seaming carefully – if necessary use a brush and chlorite
- Remove the chalk
- Clean the floor drain
- Clean the sink's water trap
- If needed wipe the bathroom ceiling