



Normal Wear and Tear

Normal wear and tear refers to the unavoidable deterioration of a property that occurs over time with regular use, even when reasonable care is taken. It includes:

Minor Wall Scuffs: Light marks or scuffs on walls due to regular use or furniture placement are typical. These are usually expected and don't signify damage beyond regular occupancy.

Faded Paint or Wallpaper: Over time, paint may fade or wallpaper may lose its luster due to exposure to light and air. This is considered normal wear and tear.

Worn Carpet: Wear patterns or slight discoloration in carpets caused by regular foot traffic are expected. However, excessive stains or tears beyond reasonable use would not fall under normal wear and tear.

Appliance Aging: With regular use, appliances can experience wear. Minor scratches or fading of surfaces due to time and usage are considered normal.

Loose Door Handles or Faucets: As a property ages, fixtures such as door handles or faucets may loosen or show signs of wear. These are typically considered normal and part of regular maintenance.

It's important to note that damages caused by negligence, misuse, or lack of proper maintenance are not classified as normal wear and tear. These may include:

Broken Windows or Doors: Damage resulting from accidents or mishandling falls outside the scope of normal wear and tear.

Large Stains on Carpets or Upholstery: Excessive or permanent stains caused by spills or pet damage would be considered beyond regular wear.

Holes in Walls: Any significant damage to walls beyond minor scuffs, like holes or large cracks, is typically not considered normal wear and tear.