



**REGENCY HYDE PARK**

281 Elizabeth Street  
Sydney NSW 2000

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## **IMPORTANT WARNING**

### **Washing Machine Water Fill Hoses**

Recently there has been a major flooding in Regency Hyde Park due to a washing machine filler hose cracking and bursting open within an apartment. Hot water flooded the apartment, the corridor outside the apartment and water also entered the adjacent apartments. This happened while the tenant was away for the weekend. Within the same month another resident reported a crack and leak on one of their washing machine filler hoses.

Over time, the water hoses to the washing machine may leak or burst. It's a good preventive maintenance practice to check these hoses from time to time for any sign of wear or weakness. Often there's a small blister in the rubber of the hose, which could rupture, or there may be a hairline crack in the plastic where the hose attaches to the tap.

Note... If the hose ruptures, large quantities of water could gush from the hose. If it's the hot water hose that ruptures, the gushing hot water may scald anyone nearby.

**Most manufacturers recommend replacing the hoses every 5 years.**

The majority of apartments in Regency Hyde Park have washing machines with hoses that are now **11 years old**.

A good habit to get into is to turn off the taps and depressurize the hoses to the washing machine after use, or at least before you leave your apartment for the weekend or any extended period of time (this also relevant for the dishwasher).

For further advice, or information on where you can get replacement washing machine hoses, contact the Building Manager on Ph: 9286 377 or Email: [buildingmanager@regencyhydepark.com.au](mailto:buildingmanager@regencyhydepark.com.au)

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