How can I claim my repair?

If you want to make a claim from the Qualifying General Repairs and Maintenance Allowance, please get in touch with us. Our team will then be able to check if the item you require repairing is not covered by a warranty or guarantee.

We will then guide you to an online form where you can provide us with information surrounding your repair. If you don't have access to a computer or smartphone let us know and we can submit the claim on your behalf through our portal.

Your initial enquiry will then be assessed, which we will then approve or refuse, and you will be notified of our decision.

Please be aware we cannot accept a repair that has already been done. We will then notify you of our decision and will advise you of our next steps being:

1. Repair refused - We will advise you why this has happened, and let you know how you can appeal

2. Repair approved - We will provide you with guidance on having the repair undertaken and will send a link for the claim form to make the claim or if you are unable to submit an online claim we will contact you to facilitate the claim

To start your claim please get in touch with us: **0808 164 0111 info@karbonhomes.co.uk**







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Internal repairs for your new home

A guide to help New Model Shared Ownership customers understand what repairs you are entitled to through Karbon in your new home

Repairs

We understand sometimes there may be some initial problems or defects with your new home, and we want to make sure you know exactly what repairs you are entitled to through Karbon.

New properties have a set time period within which we as your housing provider must fix defects, both external and internal – this is usually 12 months. This is called the defects period.

The 12 month period starts from when the builder hands over the property to us, not from when you as a customer receive the home. As a Shared Ownership customer, you also now have the right to claim up to £500 per year for any essential internal maintenance to your home for the first 10 years of your lease. We refer to this as the Initial Repairs Period (IRP). For the initial 10 year period Karbon are also responsible for any external repairs to your home. This includes but is not limited to the roof, foundations, joists and external walls.

Internal repairs covered by the (IRP) period include those for essential fixtures and fittings that shouldn't be faulty in a new home.



The content in this leaflet relates to the shared ownership Affordable Housing Programme 2021 – 2026 new model lease.

What is an internal repair?

Internal repairs include anything in your home installed for the supply of water, gas, electric, pipes and drainage. This includes basins, sinks baths and toilets. However, this does not include appliances that make use of the supply of water, gas or electricity such as washing machines or ovens.

Installations in the home for heating your home or hot water are also classed as an internal repair.

We have listed some further examples of internal repairs later on in this leaflet.



What if I don't use my annual repair allowance?

Any unused balance will roll over to the following year, but not any further. The maximum allowance you can have in any one year is £1000.



What's next?

Certain repairs are not eligible. Examples of these are:

- The damage is covered by insurance
- It falls within the defect liability period
- The repair is covered by a warranty
- The repair is a result of wear and tear or deliberate damage
- The allowance will be used for improvement works or DIY
- The repair is not carried out by an approved, Trustmarked trade contractor

Who can carry out my repair?

Once approved, the repair must be undertaken by a Trustmark approved contractor.

You can find Trustmarked Traders in your area via the Trustmark website: https://www.trustmark.org.uk/ homeowner



Further examples of eligible repairs

Bathroom

Toilet:

Cistern constantly flowing Cistern needs to be re-fixed to wall

Cistern not filling with water

Cistern not flushing

Cistern cracked

Cistern overflowing

Toilet bowl is cracked

Toilet bowl is cracked and leaking Toilet needs to be re-fixed to the floor

Push button or handle broken Bath:

Pipes are leaking

Tap is broken

Tap is dripping

Tap is loose

Plug hole grill is broken

Wash hand basin:

Fixing to the wall is loose or broken

Pipe is leaking

Plug hole is cracked

Tap is leaking

Hand basin is cracked Shower:

Water is leaking out of the shower

Shower screen is broken

Shower tray is cracked or broken

Plug hole grill is broken

No cold water

No hot water

No water at all

Kitchen

Sink unit: Sink unit broken or damaged Taps and waste pipes Tap is faulty Sink waste pipe or tap is leaking Tap is loose Plug hole grill is broken

Electric

Socket or switch is not working Socket or switch is broken or loose No power in socket or switches

Lighting

Faulty light attached to my home Light fitting is loose Light fitting is broken Pull cord is broken or loose

Heating

Gas boiler: Boiler is loose on the wall Boiler is faulty Gas or water pipework to the boiler is leaking Gas or water pipework to the boiler is loose Electric heating: Electric heater is loose Electric heater is faulty or not working Heating controls: Room stat, programmer, or timer faulty Room stat, programmer, or timer are broken Radiators: Radiator is loose Radiator is leaking Radiator valve is leaking or faulty Pipework

Supply pipe or wastewater pipe is leaking or burst