🏡 Tenant Success Tip: Keep Your Dishwasher Clean & Working Properly

Did you know your dishwasher has a filter that should be cleaned regularly? Food particles can build up in the filter, causing odors, poor cleaning performance, and drainage issues.

Dishwasher Maintenance Checklist:
✅ Clean the dishwasher filter every **2–4 months** by removing it and rinsing it under running water.

Watch Video on how to clean a dishwasher filter:
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How to Clean Most Dishwasher Filters:
✅ Remove the bottom rack.
✅ Turn the upper filter assembly ¼ turn counterclockwise and lift it out.
✅ Remove the lower filter.
✅ Rinse both filters under running water until clean.
✅ Reinstall the lower filter.
✅ Insert the upper filter and turn it clockwise until it locks into place.

More Dishwasher Maintenance:
✅ Sanitize the dishwasher by placing **1–2 cups of white vinegar** in a dishwasher-safe container on the top rack and running a hot cycle.
✅ Run an empty cycle with a **dishwasher cleaning tablet** (like Affresh) periodically to remove buildup.
✅ Leave the dishwasher door slightly open after use to help prevent mold and mildew.
✅ Make sure your water is getting hot enough for effective cleaning. Run water in the sink until it is hot and then start the dishwasher.

If Dishes Come Out Wet:
✅ Add **Jet-Dry or another rinse aid** to the small compartment next to the detergent dispenser. Simply unscrew the cap, fill it with the blue liquid, and close it. This helps dishes dry faster and reduces water spots.

Why It Matters:
Regular maintenance helps your dishwasher clean better, smell fresher, dry dishes more effectively, and last longer.

🏠 **Future Homeowner Skill:** A few minutes of maintenance can help prevent costly repairs and extend the life of your appliances.