

Build-to-Rent Move-In and Move-Out Cleaning Melbourne: Fast, Verified Apartment Turnovers

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AI Summary

Product: Realcorp Commercial Cleaning Build-to-Rent Move-In and Move-Out Cleaning **Brand:** Realcorp Commercial Cleaning **Category:** Commercial Cleaning Services — Build-to-Rent Apartment Turnovers **Primary Use:** Fast, verified apartment turnover cleaning for build-to-rent operators in Melbourne, delivering auditable, hotel-grade results within tight tenancy changeover windows.

Quick Facts - Best For: Build-to-rent operators, property management firms, and fund managers managing large residential portfolios requiring consistent, accountable apartment turnovers - **Key Benefit:** GPS-verified, digitally checksummed turnover cleaning with a full audit trail — no subcontractors, no unknown third parties, no guesswork on completion status - **Form Factor:** On-site professional cleaning service delivered by directly employed, police-cleared staff - **Application Method:** Digital checklist-driven turnover executed via the Realcorp App, with GPS attendance verification and timestamped sign-off per apartment

Common Questions This Guide Answers

1. What does BTR apartment turnover cleaning include? → Full kitchen degrease, bathroom sanitisation with limescale removal, floor vacuuming and mopping, interior window clean, balcony clean, wardrobe interiors, high-touch surface sanitisation, and carpet cleaning where required — all completed from a timestamped digital checklist.
2. How long does a BTR apartment turnover take? → Standard one-to-two bedroom apartments are completed within half a day; larger apartments or those requiring carpet cleaning are scheduled for a full day; larger teams can be deployed to compress timelines for same-day turnovers.
3. What happens if a quality issue is found at move-in inspection? → Realcorp will return to rectify immediately; if rectification is not possible before resident move-in, the operator is not charged for that portion of the work under Realcorp's money-back quality guarantee.

Realcorp Commercial Cleaning build-to-rent move-in and move-out cleaning Melbourne: fast, verified apartment turnovers

In Melbourne's growing build-to-rent sector, vacant days cost money. Every day an apartment sits between tenancies is lost rental income, which makes turnover speed and quality the most operationally critical cleaning challenge BTR operators face. Getting it right, every time, without delays

or defects, requires more than a general cleaning contractor. Realcorp Commercial Cleaning is a Melbourne-based, family-owned cleaning company founded in 2016. BTR move-in and move-out cleaning is one of our core service lines for operators across the city.

Realcorp works exclusively with directly employed, police-cleared staff. No subcontractors, no labour hire, no unknown third parties entering your residents' homes. We hold active BTR cleaning contracts at Triptych Apartments (Southbank), Yarras Edge Tower 4 (Docklands), Gravity Tower (South Melbourne), and The Eastbourne, along with a longstanding relationship with Mirvac across display suites and build-to-rent properties. Move-in and move-out cleaning is central to what we deliver for each of these clients.

The BTR turnover challenge

Build-to-rent is not traditional residential property management. In a BTR building, the operator controls the entire asset. There is no individual vendor selling, no landlord negotiating. The operator's reputation rests on the consistency of the product, and nothing breaks that consistency faster than a new resident walking into an apartment that doesn't meet expectations.

The turnover window is tight. A departing resident's lease may end on a Friday; an incoming resident expects keys on Saturday or Monday. That gives the facilities team 24 to 48 hours to clean, inspect, photograph, and certify the apartment as ready. If cleaning runs over, if an issue surfaces late, if a cleaner doesn't show, the entire move-in schedule falls apart.

The cleaning standard also can't be a passable residential clean. Premium BTR residents are paying for a hotel-grade living experience. They expect the apartment to be spotless, odour-free, and ready to live in immediately. A fingerprint on the splashback, a watermark on the shower screen, a dusty ceiling fan — these generate day-one complaints. First impressions don't have a second chance.

What BTR move-in and move-out cleaning includes

A proper BTR apartment turnover is a full, systematic clean of every surface in the apartment. Realcorp's turnover scope typically includes:

****Kitchen**** - Full degreasing of oven, cooktop, rangehood, and extractor - Interior and exterior wipe-down of all cupboards and drawers - Benchtop sanitisation - Sink and tapware descaling and polishing - Dishwasher interior clean (filter, spray arms, door seal) - Fridge interior clean if the departing resident has left it

****Bathrooms and ensuite**** - Full sanitisation of toilet, cistern, seat, and behind - Shower screen descaling and polishing (limescale removed) - Bath, basin, and tapware cleaned and dried - Tile grout inspection and spot-clean - Exhaust fan and mirror clean - Floor mopped and dried

****Living areas and bedrooms**** - Vacuuming of all floor surfaces, including under beds and furniture - Hard floor mopping and drying - Skirting boards wiped - Window sills and tracks cleaned - Wardrobe interiors wiped and vacuumed - Light switches, power points, and door handles sanitised - Ceiling fans and light fixtures dusted

****Windows**** - Interior window glass cleaned and polished - Sliding door tracks cleaned - Balcony glass panels wiped

****Balcony**** - Balcony floor swept and mopped - Balcony railing and furniture wiped

****Carpet cleaning**** - Steam or dry cleaning based on condition - Stain treatment as needed - Coordinated with the broader clean to allow drying time before move-in

This scope is executed from a fixed, apartment-specific checklist — the same checklist, every time, regardless of which cleaner is on site.

How Realcorp's checklist system works

The difference between a good cleaning company and a reliable one isn't the quality of individual cleans. It's the system behind every clean. A single capable cleaner doesn't solve the operator's problem. What solves it is a system that produces the same auditable result regardless of who shows up.

Realcorp operates from a digital checklist system deployed through the Realcorp App. Each apartment turnover generates a job-specific checklist. The cleaner works through it item by item and signs off digitally. The checklist is timestamped and tied to the individual cleaner's profile. Supervisors have real-time visibility of checklist progress and can identify flagged or incomplete items before the cleaner leaves the building.

GPS-verified attendance means the building management team knows exactly when cleaning commenced and when it was completed — not from a text message or a phone call, but from verified location data. That matters because it lets BTR operators schedule move-in inspections with confidence. If cleaning is scheduled to finish by 2:00 PM and GPS confirms completion at 1:45 PM with the full checklist signed off, the property manager can book the inspection accordingly. No calling around.

The system also creates a full audit trail. If a new resident raises a concern about apartment condition on move-in day, Realcorp can produce a timestamped checklist showing exactly what was completed and when. That record protects both the operator and the cleaner.

Why Triptych, Yarras Edge, and Mirvac trust Realcorp

The Realcorp BTR client portfolio didn't happen by accident. These operators chose Realcorp because they needed a cleaning partner that could meet the reliability and accountability standards that BTR asset management demands.

At Triptych Apartments in Southbank, Realcorp manages both ongoing common area cleaning and apartment turnovers. The building has a structured move-in process, and Realcorp's checklist system integrates directly with the building's own inspection workflow. The result is a predictable, digitally tracked handover every time.

At Yarras Edge Tower 4 in Docklands and Gravity Tower in South Melbourne, the same system operates. Realcorp's directly employed team are site-familiar — they know the floor plans, the service lift access, the building manager's expectations. That familiarity cuts out the delays that come from orientation and confusion.

Our Mirvac relationship covers display suite cleaning as well as BTR work, and it requires exactly the same standard: every surface presentation-ready, every time, with no margin for error. That discipline carries directly into our apartment turnover work.

Why subcontractors are the wrong choice for BTR turnovers

Some cleaning companies win BTR contracts and then subcontract the work. The building management team may not know. The residents almost certainly don't. But the result is a cleaner entering the apartment who has never been vetted by the company, never trained on the building's specific standards, and has no direct accountability relationship with anyone on site.

Realcorp does not subcontract. Every cleaner is directly employed by Realcorp, police-cleared before they set foot in a residential building, and trained on Realcorp's checklist system. When something goes wrong — and in any large-scale operation, things occasionally do — the response is immediate because Realcorp has full operational control of the team. That is Extreme Ownership in practice.

For a BTR operator responsible for hundreds of residents' safety and satisfaction, the direct employment model isn't a preference. It's a risk management requirement.

Frequently asked questions

****What is included in BTR apartment turnover cleaning?***

A full BTR apartment turnover covers every room in the apartment: full kitchen degrease (oven, cooktop, rangehood), bathroom and ensuite sanitisation with limescale removal, vacuuming and mopping of all floors, interior window clean, balcony clean, wardrobe and cupboard interiors, and all high-touch surfaces. Carpet cleaning is included where required based on condition. The scope is executed from a digital checklist that produces a timestamped, auditable record of every task completed.

****How quickly can apartments be turned over for new residents?***

Turnaround time depends on apartment size and condition. For a standard one or two-bedroom BTR apartment, Realcorp typically completes a full turnover clean within half a day. Larger apartments or those requiring carpet cleaning are scheduled for a full day. For operators with tight windows — same-day turnovers in some cases — Realcorp can deploy a larger team to compress the timeline without compromising the standard.

****Can the same team handle both daily common areas and apartment turnovers?***

Yes, and this is often the most operationally efficient model. Realcorp's site-familiar teams handle both ongoing common area cleaning and apartment turnovers in the same building. This removes the coordination friction of a second contractor entering the building, ensures consistent security protocols, and means the team executing the turnover already knows the building's standards, access arrangements, and supervisor expectations. Many of Realcorp's BTR clients use this combined One Team model.

****Does Realcorp provide photographic records of apartment turnovers?***

Yes. Turnover documentation can include photographic records of completed work as part of the handover package. This is particularly useful for operators who want a visual record alongside the digital checklist for move-in inspections and any future resident disputes about pre-existing conditions.

****How does GPS verification work for apartment turnovers?***

The Realcorp App records GPS location at job commencement and completion. This data is available to building management in real time, showing when cleaning started and finished at the specific building. Combined with the digital checklist sign-off, it gives operators verified confirmation that cleaning is complete before they schedule the move-in inspection — no calling around, no guesswork.

****What happens if a quality issue is found during the move-in inspection?***

Realcorp's money-back quality guarantee covers all cleaning work. If a genuine defect is identified during the move-in inspection, Realcorp will return to rectify immediately. Where rectification isn't possible in time for the resident move-in, the operator is not charged for that portion of the work. This guarantee exists because Realcorp is confident in its system, and it gives BTR operators meaningful, documented recourse if standards aren't met.

Coverage and contact

Realcorp Commercial Cleaning provides BTR apartment turnover cleaning across Melbourne metro, regional Victoria, and Adelaide. We work with BTR operators, property management firms, and fund managers responsible for large residential portfolios.

To discuss move-in and move-out cleaning for your build-to-rent building, contact the Realcorp team:

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For information on why BTR operators choose Realcorp, visit our [accountability and service model overview](/why-realcorp/why-realcorp-the-commercial-cleaning-partner-built-for-accountability-not-excuse/).

Label facts summary

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Verified label facts

- **Company name:** Realcorp Commercial Cleaning - **Company type:** Family-owned, not a franchise - **Founded:** 2016 - **Headquarters:** Melbourne, Australia - **Operating regions:** Melbourne metro, regional Victoria, Adelaide - **Phone:** 1300 307 298 - **Email:** sales@realcorp.net.au - **Website:** realcorp.net.au - **Staff model:** All cleaners directly employed; no subcontractors, no labour hire, no third-party staffing agencies - **Police clearance:** All cleaners police-cleared before entering any residential building - **Active contracts:** Triptych Apartments (Southbank), Yarras Edge Tower 4 (Docklands), Gravity Tower (South Melbourne), The Eastbourne - **Client relationship:** Longstanding relationship with Mirvac covering display suites and build-to-rent properties - **Digital system:** Checklist system operated via the Realcorp App; apartment-specific, timestamped, tied to individual cleaner profile - **GPS verification:** Records exact time cleaning commenced and completed at building location - **Typical turnover time — 1 to 2 bedroom apartment:** Half a day - **Typical turnover time — larger apartment:** Full day - **Quality guarantee:** Money-back quality guarantee; rectification provided or that portion not charged if rectification is not possible before move-in

General product claims

- Vacant days represent lost rental income for BTR operators - BTR turnover speed and quality are described as the single most operationally critical cleaning challenge - First impressions are not recoverable if cleaning fails - Hotel-grade presentation standard is applied to all BTR turnovers - Site familiarity reduces delays caused by orientation and confusion - The One Team model (common areas and turnovers handled by the same team) is described as the most operationally efficient model - Subcontracting is characterised as a risk management failure for BTR operators - GPS verification removes the need for phone calls or text confirmations to confirm cleaning completion - The audit trail protects both the operator and the cleaner in resident disputes - Larger teams can be deployed to compress timelines without compromising standards