

**FINAL INSPECTION REPORT**  
*Under the Retirement Homes Act, 2010*

Inspection Information	
Date of Inspection: June 7, 2023	Name of Inspector: Julie Hebert
Inspection Type: Routine Inspection	
Licensee: ACC-002984 - Steeves and Rozema Enterprises Limited	
Retirement Home: Village on the Thames	
License Number: S0148	

**About Routine Inspections**

A routine inspection, performed by an RHRA inspector, is a physical inspection of a licensed retirement home. During a routine inspection, an RHRA inspector will walk through the home, speak to residents and staff, observe care services and conditions in the home, and ensure the licensee’s management and staff follow mandatory policies and practices designed to protect the welfare of residents.

Following a routine inspection, the RHRA inspector prepares a draft inspection report which is sent to the licensee. The draft report may include instances where the licensee has failed to meet the standards of the *RHA*. If included, the licensee can respond to these instances and is strongly encouraged to inform RHRA of its plans to meet the standards of the *RHA*.

Following the draft report, the RHRA inspector prepares this final inspection report, incorporating any response from the licensee with their plans to meet the standards of the *RHA*. The most recent final inspection report must be posted in the home in a visible and easily accessible location. All final inspection reports from the previous two years must also be made available in an easily accessible location in the home. The licensee must provide a copy of this report to the home’s Residents’ Council, if one exists.

In addition to inspection reports, RHRA may provide information to a licensee to encourage improvements of their current practices.

If the licensee repeatedly does not meet the required standards, RHRA may take further action.

**Focus Areas**  
*During a routine inspection, an inspector will focus primarily on a set number of areas which have been identified as related to the health, safety and wellbeing of resident, and may take various actions to determine whether the licensee is compliant with the RHA in relating to the areas. The areas listed in this section are ones which an inspector has identified as non-compliant.*

**Focus Area #1: Emergency Plan**

**RHRA Inspector Findings**

There is a requirement under the Retirement Homes Act that resources, supplies, and equipment vital for the emergency response be set aside and readily available at the retirement home; and annual testing of all such resources, supplies, and equipment takes place to ensure that they are in working order.

There is a further requirement that the Licensee must annually test their emergency systems in the areas of loss of essential services, missing residents, and medical emergencies and must bi-annually complete a full evacuation of the home.

The inspector discovered that although the home had set aside all reasonable supplies, they were not tested to ensure they were in working order. Furthermore, the home had not completed the annual testing of the emergency plan in the identified areas. The Licensee failed to ensure that testing of the supplies and emergency plan was completed as required

**Outcome**

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

**Focus Area #2: Resident Record, Assessment, Plan of Care****RHRA Inspector Findings**

As part of the routine inspection, the inspector reviewed a sample of residents' plan of care. There is a requirement under the Retirement Homes Act that resident plans of care be updated as care needs change or at the minimum of every 6 months. The inspector found that not all of the plans were updated at the time the residents' care needs changed or every six months. The Licensee failed to ensure the plans revise and updated in compliance with the legislation.

**Outcome**

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

**Focus Area #3: Staff Training****RHRA Inspector Findings**

The inspector reviewed a sample of training records in the areas of zero tolerance of abuse, Bill of Rights, Infection control, Whistle Blower protection, PASDs, fire prevention and safety, complaints, and behaviour management. The inspector reviewed not only records for staff recently hired to determine compliance with orientation training, but also a sample of training records for those hired prior to 2022 to determine compliance with annual training in these areas.

The inspector found that the orientation training for staff was not completed for fire safety for all staff reviewed and that one of the staff files reviewed had not completed any orientation training the reviewed areas.

For the annual training files reviewed, not all of the staff files sampled had completed training in 2021 or 2022 in the reviewed training areas.

The home was not able to determine that orientation and annual training was being completed in alignment with the regulations.

**Outcome**

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

**Additional Findings**

*During a routine inspection, an inspector may observe areas of non-compliance that are not related to the standard focus areas. In these cases, an inspector may cite the home for these contraventions at the time of this inspection. In addition, an inspector may follow-up on findings of non-compliance from previous inspections. Where the licensee is unable to demonstrate they have come into compliance or maintained compliance, an inspector may cite the home for these repeat contraventions at the time of this inspection.*

**Not Applicable****Current Inspection – Citations**

*Citations relating to the above Focus Areas or Additional Findings made during the current inspection are listed below.*

**The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 14. (1); Staff training****s. 14. (1); Staff training**

14. (1) For the purposes of clause 65 (2) (j) of the Act, every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that all staff who work in the home receive training in the procedure described in subsection 73 (1) of the Act for a person to complain to the licensee.

**The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 24. (4); Emergency plan, general****s. 24. (4); Emergency plan, general**

24. (4) The licensee shall keep current all arrangements with community agencies, partner facilities and resources that will be involved in responding to an emergency.

**The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 24. (5); Emergency plan, general**

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24. (5) The licensee shall,

**Specifically, the Licensee failed to comply with the following subsection(s):**

**s. 24. (5), (a)**

(a) on an annual basis at least, test the emergency plan, including arrangements with community agencies, partner facilities and resources that will be involved in responding to an emergency, related to,

**s. 24. (5), (a), 1.**

(i) the loss of essential services,

**s. 24. (5), (a)**

(a) on an annual basis at least, test the emergency plan, including arrangements with community agencies, partner facilities and resources that will be involved in responding to an emergency, related to,

**s. 24. (5), (a), 2.**

(ii) situations involving a missing resident,

**s. 24. (5), (a)**

(a) on an annual basis at least, test the emergency plan, including arrangements with community agencies, partner facilities and resources that will be involved in responding to an emergency, related to,

**s. 24. (5), (a), 3.**

(iii) medical emergencies,

**s. 24. (5), (b)**

(b) at least once every two years, conduct a planned evacuation of the retirement home;

**The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 25. (3); Emergency plan, retirement home with more than 10 residents**

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25. (3) The licensee shall ensure that the emergency plan provides for the following:

**Specifically, the Licensee failed to comply with the following subsection(s):**

**s. 25. (3), para. 3**

3. Resources, supplies and equipment vital for the emergency response being set aside and readily available at the retirement home and regular testing of all such resources, supplies and equipment to ensure that they are in working order.

**The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 27. (9); Infection prevention and control program**

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27. (9) The licensee shall ensure that each staff member who works in the retirement home receives training on how to reduce the incidence of infectious disease transmission, including,

**Specifically, the Licensee failed to comply with the following subsection(s):**

**s. 27. (9), (a)**

(a) the need for and method of maintaining proper hand hygiene and method of preventing cross contamination, including proper handling of soiled linens, the protection of uniforms, and the separation of clean and dirty items;

**s. 27. (9), (b)**

(b) the need for and process of reporting, providing surveillance of and documenting incidents of infectious illness.

**The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 62. (12); Reassessment and revision**

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62. (12) The licensee shall ensure that the resident is reassessed and the plan of care reviewed and revised at least every six months and at any other time if, in the opinion of the licensee or the resident,

**Specifically, the Licensee failed to comply with the following subsection(s):**

**s. 62. (12), (b)**

(b) the resident's care needs change or the care services set out in the plan are no longer necessary;

**The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 65. (2); Training**

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65. (2) Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that no staff work in the home unless they have received training in,

**Specifically, the Licensee failed to comply with the following subsection(s):**

**s. 65. (2), (a)**

(a) the Residents' Bill of Rights;

**s. 65. (2), (b)**

(b) the licensee's policy mentioned in subsection 67 (4) to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents;

**s. 65. (2), (c)**

(c) the protection afforded for whistle-blowing described in section 115;

**s. 65. (2), (d)**

(d) the licensee's policy mentioned in subsection 68 (3) regarding the use of personal assistance services devices for residents;

**s. 65. (2), (f)**

(f) fire prevention and safety;

**s. 65. (2), (g)**

(g) the licensee's emergency evacuation plan for the home mentioned in subsection 60 (3);

**s. 65. (2), (h)**

(h) the emergency plan and the infection prevention and control program of the licensee for the home mentioned in subsection 60 (4);

**The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 65. (5); Additional training for direct care staff**

**s. 65. (5); Additional training for direct care staff**

65. (5) The licensee shall ensure that all staff who provide care services to residents receive training in the following matters and at the times required by the regulations, as a condition of continuing to have contact with residents, in addition to the other training that they are required to receive under this section:

**Specifically, the Licensee failed to comply with the following subsection(s):**

**s. 65. (5), para. 3**

3. Behaviour management.

**Closed Citations**

*During an inspection, an inspector may follow-up with areas of non-compliance cited during a previous inspection, or verify compliance with areas initially cited during the current inspection. The inspector has verified that at the time of this report, the licensee was able to demonstrate that the following areas have come into compliance.*

**Not Applicable**

## NOTICE

The Final Inspection Report is being provided to the Licensee, the Registrar of the RHRA and the home's Residents' Council, if any.

Section 55 of the *RHA* requires that the Final Inspection Report be posted in the home in a conspicuous and easily accessible location. In addition, the Licensee must ensure that copies of every Final Inspection Report from the previous two (2) years are made available in the Home, in an easily accessible location.

The Registrar's copy of the Final Inspection Report, as it appears here, will be included on the RHRA Retirement Home Database available online at <http://www.rhra.ca/en/retirement-home-database>.

Signature of Inspector  <i>Julie Hebert</i>	Date  June 30, 2023
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