

## Management Principles for the Official Residences of Canada

The Official Residences Management Principles have been established, with the support of the Advisory Committee on Official Residences, to direct the NCC in its mandate of policy development and maintenance of the official residences portfolio in Canada's Capital Region. The NCC continues to strive to fulfill these principles in all its planning and capital works implementations at the residences.

### Management Principles

- All residences are divided into state areas and private areas (allowing for decor planning and management guidelines).
- All grounds are separated into specific landscape zones (allowing for use, maintenance and intervention guidelines).
- The state area decor shall be maintained for a generation (about 20 years) before complete redecoration occurs.
- The heritage characteristics of the properties, as defined by FHBRO, shall be maintained.
- All residences must have a plan in place covering preferred development strategies for buildings, grounds and infrastructure.
- All residences must have a life cycle management plan in place.
- All residences must have an emergency response plan in place.
- All residences must be operational at all times (unless specific arrangements are otherwise made).
- All grounds and residences shall be universally accessible.
- All building systems must be modernized and upgraded to current standards.
- All residences must provide for fire detection and suppression systems (allowing for the evacuation of the building by occupants and the protection of assets).
- All residences must have backup systems to permit the residence to function in case of regular infrastructure outage (e.g. all residences have an emergency power source available to address life safety, security and functional requirements in case of power outage).
- All residences shall be furnished and equipped at all times.
- The contents of all residences shall be inventoried, inspected and maintained regularly.
- Although measures are taken at all residences to protect the state collections and furnishings, the residences cannot be rendered to museum standard.
- Environmentally friendly practices shall be used in managing the property