

VP handover billing checklist

Three blocks, in order. Before the notice, on the notice, and the two dates you have to diarise the moment vacant possession is delivered.

BLOCK A · BEFORE YOU SERVE THE NOTICE OF VP

- ☐ Certificate of Completion and Compliance issued by the architect.
- ☐ Water and electricity supply ready for connection to the unit.
- ☐ **Strata only.** Strata title issued, or the Housing Controller's written approval to deliver VP without strata title.
- ☐ **Strata only.** Deposit to rectify common property defects lodged with the Commissioner of Buildings, in cash or bank guarantee. Not less than 0.5% of the estimated construction cost excluding land, or RM50,000, whichever is higher. Notice of intention to deliver VP given to the COB 21 days beforehand.
- ☐ Electricity and water deposit receipts for each parcel, from the Project Manager.
- ☐ **Strata only.** Maintenance charges and sinking fund invoices, from the Property Manager.
- ☐ VP Statement prepared, covering quit rent, assessment, and water and electricity deposits.
- ☐ VP Billing prepared. All prior instalments settled and receipted.

BLOCK B · SERVE, BILL AND COLLECT

- ☐ Notice of VP served by registered post and email. Record the posting date.
- ☐ Deemed vacant possession is 30 days from service, whether or not the purchaser collects the keys. The defects liability period and both stakeholder clocks start then regardless.
- ☐ Bill 17.5% on vacant possession with water and electricity ready for connection.
- ☐ Bill 2.5% where the title has been delivered to the purchaser or the purchaser's solicitor.
- ☐ Collect 5% and remit it to the developer's solicitor as stakeholder. It is not developer cash and it does not go into the operating account.
- ☐ Prorate quit rent and assessment from the date the purchaser takes vacant possession or the date of transfer, whichever is earlier.
- ☐ Bill maintenance charges and sinking fund. Commonly four months' contribution, billed in advance.
- ☐ Loan-financed units: confirm the final drawdown has been received into the Housing Development Account.

BLOCK C · DIARISE ON THE DAY VP IS DELIVERED

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| 8 months | First 2.5% stakeholder release. Blocked while any defect notice served before that date is unresolved. Requires the developer's architect to certify the defect made good. |
| 24 months | Remaining 2.5% stakeholder release, on the same condition. The defects liability period ends. |
| Strata only | Common property defects deposit refunded on expiry of the common property defects liability period, or completion of rectification to the COB's satisfaction, whichever is later. |
| After CCC | Apply to the Controller to withdraw the Housing Development Account surplus. |
| After DLP | Once the solicitor certifies that titles have transferred for every SPA, apply to withdraw the remaining monies and close the account. |

FORWARD THIS UP

- The VP date triggers 25% of the purchase price, the start of a 24 month statutory liability, and the start of the developer's building management obligation. One date, three consequences.
- Deemed possession means an absent buyer pauses nothing. The liability clocks run on our timetable, not theirs.
- Cash remains locked after handover: the 5% stakeholder sum in two tranches, and the common property defects deposit until the COB is satisfied.