

**EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY**  
**DATE: MAY 5, 2011**

**Smoke Detector, Carbon Monoxide and Fire Extinguisher Certification Applications shall be accompanied by a copy of the page from the contract of sale or lease which shows the closing or move in date. We do not need or want any private or personal information. If you can not provide this information we will schedule your inspection accordingly.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION**

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**SMOKE DETECTOR, CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM & PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHER  
COMPLIANCE APPLICATION (CSDCMAPFEC) -BY WAY OF SALE, LEASE OR RENT**

*N.J. UNIFORM FIRE ACT: P.L.1983, C.383 (C.52:270-192) N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.3, 2.9 & 4.19*

PROPERTY OWNER-NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE # HOME: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION OF INSPECTION-ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

BLOCK #: \_\_\_\_\_ LOT #: \_\_\_\_\_

REAL ESTATE AGENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: WORK: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL: \_\_\_\_\_

PROPERTY OWNERS ATTORNEY-NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

YEAR HOUSE OR BUILDING BUILT: \_\_\_\_\_ CLOSING OR MOVE IN DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE NEW FEE SCHEDULE FOR ALL APPLICATIONS EFFECTIVE 1-10-11:**

**\$50.00** MORE THAN 10 BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO THE CHANGE OF OCCUPANT

**\$70.00** BETWEEN FOUR (4) AND TEN (10) BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO THE CHANGE OF OCCUPANT

**\$125.00** FEWER THAN FOUR (4) BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO CHANGE OF OCCUPANT

1. APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED UNLESS COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED **IN PERSON** BY THE **SELLING OWNER OR AUTHORIZED AGENT** ACCOMPANIED BY THE PAYMENT WHICH SHALL BE BY **CHECK OR EXACT CASH!**
2. IN THE EVENT THE **BUYER IS RESPONSIBLE** BASED ON CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS **PLEASE PROVIDE A COPY OF THE COMPLETED AND SIGNED CONTRACT AT TIME OF APPLICATION** TO SHOW THAT THE BUYER IS RESPONSIBLE **OTHERWISE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
3. INSPECTIONS ARE SCHEDULED ON **TUESDAYS** AND **THURSDAYS**, UNLESS OTHERWISE APPROVED BASED ON TIME TO CLOSING.
4. \*\*\* **RESIDENCES EQUIPPED WITH A MONITORED FIRE ALARM SYSTEM** \*\*\*
5. THE RESPONSIBLE PERSON ON SITE MUST HAVE THE PROPER PHONE NUMBER(S) AND ACCESS CODES TO RESET THE SYSTEM PRIOR TO CONDUCTING TESTS.
6. CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTOR INSPECTIONS REQUIRE THE MANUFACTURE SPECIFICATIONS TO BE PRESENT AT TIME OF INSPECTION.
7. AS OF NOV. 1, 2005 PORTABLE "ABC TYPE" FIRE EXTINGUISHERS ARE NOW REQUIRED AND SHALL BE MOUNTED.
8. PERSON COMPLETING APPLICATION **SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_
9. CHECK ONE: \_\_\_ OWNER \_\_\_ REALTOR \_\_\_ ATTORNEY \_\_\_ OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_
10. OPEN BUILDING PERMITS: YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ BLDG. DEPT. SIGN OFF: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE RECEIVED: \_\_\_\_\_ PAID: \$50 \$70 \$125 Cash \_\_\_ Check#: \_\_\_\_\_ CREDIT CARD \_\_\_\_\_

## **BASIC SMOKE DETECTOR REQUIREMENTS**

At the time of change of occupancy by way of sale, lease or rent of a residential dwelling, the smoke detectors shall remain in compliance from the time when the house or building was built and/or any renovations and/or additions were permitted. Use the following requirements listed by year built for proper code compliance for inspections.

**Homes built prior to 1977:** The minimum of one battery operated smoke detector on each level including the basement. On the levels where there are bedrooms the detector shall be installed within 10 feet of all bedroom doors. See next page for diagram on smoke detector placement.

**Homes built from 1977 but before 1984:** Smoke detectors must be A/C powered (120 volt hardwired) one on each level including the basement and shall be within 10 feet of all bedrooms.

**Homes built from 1984 but before 1991:** Smoke detectors must be A/C powered (120 volt hardwired) one on each level including the basement, interconnected\* and shall be within 10 feet of all bedrooms.

**Homes built from 1991 to the Present:** Smoke detectors must be A/C powered (120 volt hardwired) with built in battery back-up. There shall be one on each level including the basement and one in each bedroom and shall be within 10 feet of all bedrooms. Detectors shall be interconnected\*.

**\*(interconnected: The activation of one detector sends a signal to activate all of the detectors in the same residence or dwelling unit)**

**Note:** Where there is a supervised or monitored system installed where the age of the house or building is built 1977 to the present, the system shall be maintained during change of occupancy. If this system can not be maintained, a new 120 volt hardwired (and battery back up, if required) smoke detectors shall be installed based on the minimum construction codes in effect at the time of first occupancy. If there is a central or separate alarm notification appliance it shall be heard on all floors of the residence including the bedrooms when the door(s) is (are) closed and the basement.

## **BASIC CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTOR REQUIREMENTS**

**Effective Monday, April 7, 2003 CO Detectors are required on the resale of dwelling units.** CO Detectors are required to be installed and/or mounted in the hallway or adjacent to the sleeping areas and bedrooms within 10 feet of the bedroom doors as per the manufacture specifications, installation instructions and N.F.P.A 720. These documents shall be presented to the inspector at the time of inspection to receive a Valid Certificate of Compliance. Battery operated CO Detectors are acceptable.

## **“ABC” TYPE PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHER REQUIREMENTS**

**Effective August 15, 2006.** At least one portable fire extinguisher shall be installed in all one and two family dwellings upon change of occupancy. For the purposes of this code, “portable fire extinguisher” -- shall mean an operable portable device, carried, and operated by hand, containing an extinguishing agent that can be expelled under pressure for the purpose of suppressing or extinguishing fire, and which is:

1. **Rated for residential use consisting of an “ABC” type;**
2. **Can be a minimum of 2½ pound to a maximum of 10 pound fire extinguisher;**
3. **Mounted within ten (10) feet of the kitchen area.**

**(The Extinguisher does not have to be exposed or visible but must be mounted and accessible)**

# Smoke Detector Placement

## Where to Locate Detectors:

Detectors must be located on every floor level of a residence and within 10 feet of the doorway(s) to sleeping areas. In residences with more than one sleeping area, or with sleeping areas on more than one floor, more than one detector will be needed. ( as shown in figure 2 )

## Where **NOT** to Locate Detectors:

To avoid false alarms and/or improper operation, avoid installation of smoke detectors in the following areas:

**KITCHENS:** Smoke from cooking may cause nuisance alarms.

**BATHROOMS:** Excessive steam from a shower / sink may cause nuisance alarms.

Near furnaces of any type, Air & Dust movement when the appliance is operating could cause a false or nuisance alarm.

**DEAD AIR SPACES:** The smoke from a fire generally rises to the ceiling, spreads out across the surface, and begins to bank down. The corner where the ceiling and wall meet is an air space into which smoke may have difficulty penetrating. This is typically known as a dead air space.

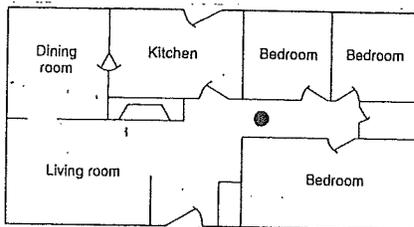


FIGURE 1

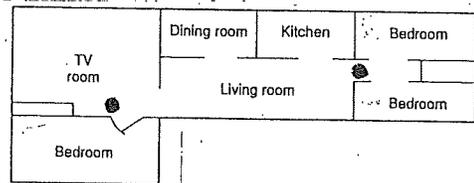


FIGURE 2

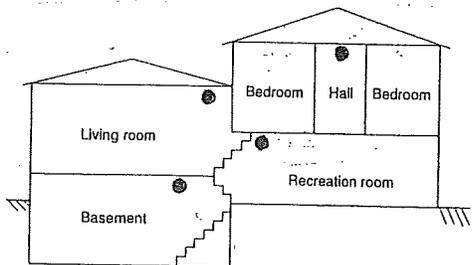


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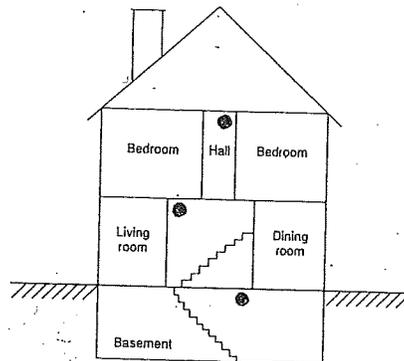


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