

STREET & BUILDING NUMBERS REQUIRED

COMPLIANCE REQUIRED FOR ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE

NO ORIGINAL OR CONTINUING SDCMFX CERTIFICATE SHALL BE ISSUED FOR ANY STRUCTURE IN RARITAN TOWNSHIP UNLESS THE PROPERTY AND STRUCTURE ARE IN COMPLIANCE.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS SHALL APPLY TO ALL NUMBERS TO BE INSTALLED, IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE GREATEST DEGREE OF IDENTIFICATION TO THE PROPERTY SO AS TO ASSIST ANY PERSON THERON:

- THE ID NUMBER(S), SHALL BE NO LESS THAN 4 INCHES IN HEIGHT AND MADE OF DURABLE AND CLEARLY VISABLE MATERIAL.
- THE NUMBERS SHALL BE OF REFLECTIVE MATERIAL OR OF SUFFICIENT VISABLE CONTRAST TO THE BACKGROUND MATERIAL TO BE EASILY DISCERNIBLE AT NIGHT WITH THE AID OF A SPOTLIGHT.
- ALL NUMBERS SHALL BE MOUNTED SO THAT THEY FACE THE ACCESS ROAD WHICH THE BUILDING FRONTS, AND SHALL BE MAINTAINED BY THE PROPERTY OWNER SO AS TO BE UNOBSTRUCTED BY ANY OBJECT.

THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE ENFORCED BY THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS OF RARITAN TOWNSHIP WITH THE COOPERATION OF THE POLICE DEPT. MAXIMUM FINES COULD REACH \$100.00 EACH DAY THE VIOLATION EXISTS AND NON ISSUANACE OF THIS CERTIFICATE.

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ATTENTION HOMEOWNERS & AGENTS

DUE TO WORKLOAD VOLUME, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO TAKE SPECIAL REQUESTS & INSTRUCTIONS. PLEASE DO NOT CALL TO REQUEST INSPECTION TIMES.

INSPECTIONS ARE COMPLETED ON WEDNESDAYS, YOU WILL BE CONTACTED BY TUESDAY AFTERNOON WITH A TIME SLOT.

**FOR SAFETY & HYGIENE, INSPECTORS DO NOT
REMOVE THEIR SHOES.
(PER DEPARTMENT POLICY)**

ALL FINISHED BASEMENTS WILL BE REPORTED TO THE RARITAN TOWNSHIP BUILDING DEPARTMENT.

IN HOMES THAT A FIRE ALARM SYSTEM OR COMBINATION BURGLAR/FIRE ALARM SYSTEM THAT DOES NOT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS PREVIOUSLY LISTED, WILL NOT PASS CERTIFICATION.



SMOKE DETECTOR, CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHER COMPLIANCE INSPECTIONS



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CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS

CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS ARE REQUIRED WITHIN 10 FEET OUTSIDE OF EVERY BEDROOM

BATTERY POWER OR PLUG-IN TYPE ARE PERMITTED FOR HOMES BUILT PRIOR TO 2016

HOMES BUILT/RENOVATED FROM 2016 TO PRESENT SHALL HAVE ALARMS HARDWIRED

IF YOUR ALARM IS PAST ITS REPLACEMENT DATE FROM THE MANUFACTURE; REPLACE THE ALARM

IN HOMES WITH MORE THAN ONE BEDROOM AREA OR BEDROOMS ON DIFFERENT LEVELS, SMOKE DETECTORS AND CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS ARE REQUIRED BY SEPARATE BEDROOM AREA.

PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

1. AT LEAST ONE PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHER SHALL BE INSTALLED FOR EACH KITCHEN UPON CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY
2. PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS SHALL BE NO SMALLER THAN **2A:10B:C** RATED FOR RESIDENTIAL USE AND WEIGH NO MORE THAN 10 LBS
3. THE EXTINGUISHER SHALL BE SERVICED AND TAGGED BY A CERTIFIED DIVISION OF FIRE SAFETY CONTRACTOR WITHIN THE PAST 12 MONTHS OR THE SELLER MUST HAVE A RECEIPT FOR A RECENTLY PURCHASED EXTINGUISHER
4. FIRE EXTINGUISHERS MUST BE LOCATED IN OR WITHIN 10 FEET OF THE KITCHEN, NEAR AN EXIT OR TRAVEL PATH
5. THE TOP OF THE EXTINGUISHER SHALL NOT BE MORE THAN FIVE FEET ABOVE THE FLOOR AND THE BOTTOM OF THE EXTINGUISHER SHALL NOT BE LESS THAN 4 INCHES FROM THE FLOOR
6. THE EXTINGUISHER MUST BE VISABLE AND IN A READILY ACCESSIBLE AREA FREE OF OBSTRUCTIONS
7. THE EXTINGUISHER SHALL BE MOUNTED USING THE MANUFACTURER'S HANGING BRACKET SO THAT THE OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS ARE CLEARLY VISIBLE

SMOKE DETECTORS

- **HARDWIRED SMOKE DETECTORS ARE NOT TO BE REPLACED WITH BATTERY OPERATED SMOKE DETECTORS**
- **MOST RECENT APPROVED CONFIGURATION MUST BE MAINTAINED**
- **REPLACE DETECTORS WHEN THE END OF LIFE SIGNAL IS ACTIVATED OR 10 YEARS FROM THE DATE OF MANUFACTURE, WHICHEVER COMES FIRST**
- **SMOKE DETECTORS MUST BE A MINIMUM 36 INCHES AWAY FROM CEILING FANS AND VENTS**

HOUSES BUILT/RENOVATED:

PRIOR TO 1977:

TEN-YEAR SEALED BATTERY-OPERATED DETECTORS ON ALL LEVELS, INCLUDING BASEMENT & WITHIN 10 FEET OUTSIDE OF ALL BEDROOMS

JANUARY 1, 1977 - SEPTEMBER 30, 1978:

HARDWIRED SMOKE DETECTORS ON SLEEPING LEVELS AND WITHIN 10 FEET OUTSIDE OF ALL BEDROOMS. TEN-YEAR SEALED BATTERY-OPERATED DETECTORS ON ALL OTHER LEVELS INCLUDING BASEMENT

OCTOBER 1, 1978 – FEBRUARY 21, 1983:

HARDWIRED SMOKE DETECTORS ON SLEEPING LEVELS, BASEMENT LEVEL AND WITHIN 10 FEET OUTSIDE OF ALL BEDROOMS. TEN-YEAR SEALED BATTERY-OPERATED DETECTORS ON ALL OTHER LEVELS

FEBRUARY 22, 1983 – AUGUST 5, 1984:

HARDWIRED SMOKE DETECTORS ON ALL LEVELS INCLUDING BASEMENT AND WITHIN 10 FEET OUTSIDE OF ALL BEDROOMS

AUGUST 6, 1984 – MARCH 3, 1991:

HARDWIRED SMOKE DETECTORS ON ALL LEVELS INCLUDING BASEMENT AND WITHIN 10 FEET OUTSIDE OF ALL BEDROOMS. **ALL DETECTORS MUST BE INTERCONNECTED.** (WHEN ONE ALARM SOUNDS/ ALL ALARMS SOUND)

MARCH 4, 1991 – FEBRUARY 2016:

DUAL POWERED (ELECTRIC & BATTERY BACKUP) HARDWIRED & INTERCONNECTED (WHEN ONE ALARM SOUNDS/ ALL ALARMS SOUND), ON EACH FLOOR INCLUDING BASEMENT, IN **EACH** BEDROOM AND WITHIN 10' OF ALL BEDROOMS

MARCH 2016 TO PRESENT:

DUAL POWERED (ELECTRIC W/ BATTERY BACKUP) HARDWIRED & INTERCONNECTED (WHEN ONE ALARM SOUNDS/ ALL ALARMS SOUND), ON EACH FLOOR INCLUDING BASEMENT, IN **EACH** BEDROOM AND WITHIN 10' OF ALL BEDROOMS. CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS SHALL BE HARDWIRED. (Combination alarms are approved)

REQUIRED FEES

SMOKE DETECTOR/ CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM & PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHER COMPLIANCE INSPECTIONS

THE APPLICATION FEE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF SMOKE DETECTOR/ CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM & PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHER COMPLIANCE AS REQUIRED BY N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.3, SHALL BE BASED UPON THE AMOUNT OF TIME REMAINING BEFORE THE CHANGE OF OCCUPANT IS EXPECTED AS FOLLOWS:

- REQUESTS FOR SD/CM/FX INSPECTION RECEIVED 11 OR MORE BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO THE CHANGE IN OCCUPANT:
\$50.00
- REQUESTS FOR SD/CM/FX INSPECTION RECEIVED 4 TO 10 BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO THE CHANGE IN OCCUPANT:
\$100.00
- REQUESTS FOR SD/CM/FX INSPECTION RECEIVED LESS THAN 4 BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO THE CHANGE IN OCCUPANT:
\$160.00
- A \$50.00 REINSPECTION FEE WILL BE CHARGED FOR ALL INSPECTIONS THAT FAIL FOR NON-COMPLIANCE OR ARE NOT PRESENT AT SCHEDULED INSPECTION TIME FRAME