

APPLICATION AND
CERTIFICATION IN LIEU OF
INSPECTION FOR CERTIFICATE
OF SMOKE ALARM AND CARBON
MONOXIDE ALARM COMPLIANCE



Current Owner: _____

Dwelling Location: Block: _____ Lot: _____

(not mailing address) Street: _____

Municipality: _____ County: _____

An inspection shall be conducted by the owner or an authorized representative of the owner. The smoke alarms required above shall be located in accordance with *NFPA-74*; the carbon monoxide alarm(s) shall be installed in accordance with *NFPA-720*. The alarms are not required to be interconnected. Battery-powered alarms are acceptable. Note: AC-powered and/or interconnected alarms and smoke detectors installed in homes constructed after January 1977 shall be maintained in working order.

- All smoke detectors shall be less than ten (10) years old.
- All hard-wired systems shall be inspected by a licensed electrician or alarm company.
- Carbon monoxide detectors shall not be more than five (5) years old.

***NOTE: ALL BOXES MUST BE CHECKED IN ORDER FOR CERTIFICATION TO BE VALID**

- ☐ Smoke alarm on each level of the dwelling, including basements, excluding attic or crawl space; and
- ☐ Smoke alarm and carbon monoxide alarm outside each separate sleeping area, and within 10 feet of bedrooms
- ☐ All smoke alarms are in working order
- ☐ Carbon monoxide alarm(s) are in working order.

This is a _____ story dwelling: [] with [] without a basement.

Year built: _____ Any additions or alterations? YES NO

Please mail certificate to:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Municipality: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Closing Date: _____

I do hereby certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I will be subject to penalty.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this _____ day of _____, 20 _____.

Notary Signature

Applicant Signature

Printed Name

NOTE: The inspection fee is \$100.00. Once issued, a Certificate is not transferable, nor is a fee refundable. If the change of occupant does not occur within 6 months, a new application shall be required.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Log Number: _____ Check Number: _____

WHERE TO LOCATE ALARMS:

Alarms are to be located on every level of a residence (basement, first floor, second floor), excluding crawl spaces and unfinished attics, and in every separate sleeping area, between sleeping areas and living areas such as the kitchen, garage, or utility room. In homes with only one sleeping area on one floor, an alarm is to be placed in the hallway outside each sleeping area as shown in Figure 1. In single-floor homes with two separate sleeping areas, two alarms are required, outside each sleeping area as shown in Figure 2. In multi-level homes, alarms are to be located outside sleeping areas and at every finished level of the home, as shown in Figure 3. Basement-level alarms are to be located near the bottom of the basement stairwells, also shown in Figure 3.

WHERE NOT TO LOCATE ALARMS:

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

- **KITCHENS** – smoke from cooking may cause a nuisance alarm
- **BATHROOMS** – excessive steam from a shower may cause a nuisance alarm
- **NEAR FORCED AIR DUCTS** used for heating and air conditioning – air movement may prevent smoke from reaching the alarm
- **NEAR FURNACES** of any type – air and dust movement, and normal products of combustion, may cause a nuisance alarm
- The 4-inch “dead air space” where the ceiling meets the wall, as shown in Figure 5
- The peak of an “A” frame-type ceiling - “Dead Air” at the top, may prevent smoke from reaching the alarm

FURTHER INFORMATION ON ALARM PLACEMENT:

For further information about alarm placement, consult the National Fire Protection Association’s Standard No. 74-1984, titled “Household Fire Warning Equipment”. This publication may be obtained by writing to the Publication Sales Department, National Fire Protection Association, Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02269.

CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS are to be located in every separate sleeping area as per *NFPA 720* and the manufacturer’s recommendation.

NOTE: Any level that has an **ATTACHED GARAGE** shall have a **carbon monoxide alarm** on that level.

SECONDARY POWER SOURCE CAUTION LABEL:

Secondary Power Source Caution Labels are required prior to sale, rental, or change of occupancy of 1- and 2-family homes equipped with permanently installed internal combustion generators, solar panels, battery power systems, or any other supplemental source of electrical energy to the primary power supply.

★ = Smoke Detector ○ = Carbon Monoxide Detector

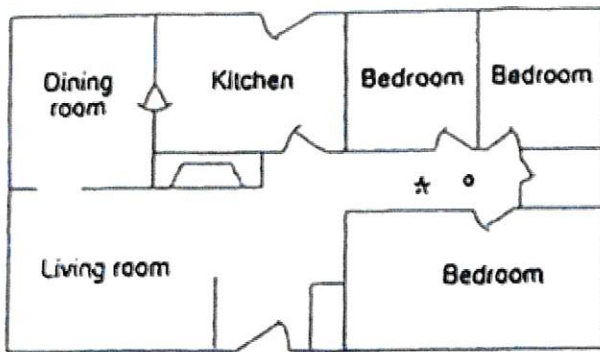


Figure 1

A smoke detector should be located between the sleeping area and the rest of the dwelling unit.

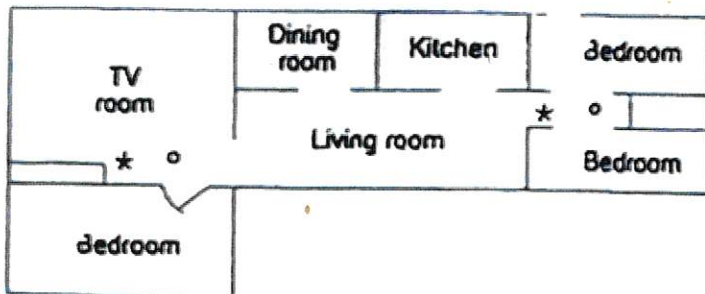


Figure 2

In dwelling units with more than one sleeping area, a smoke detector should be provided to protect each area.

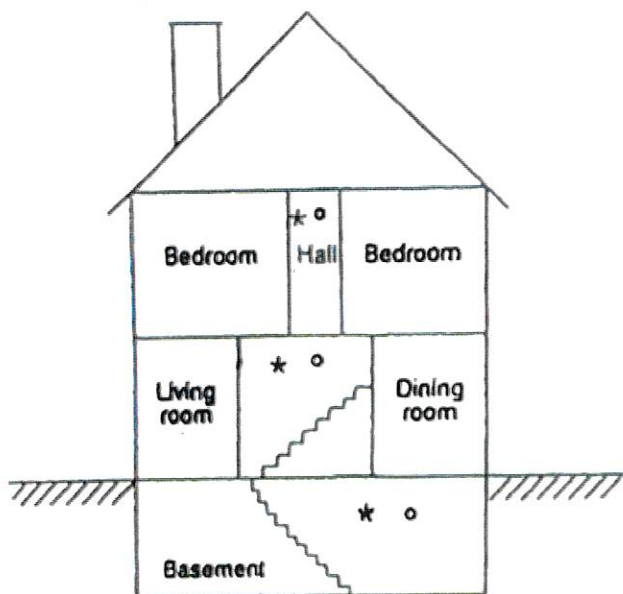
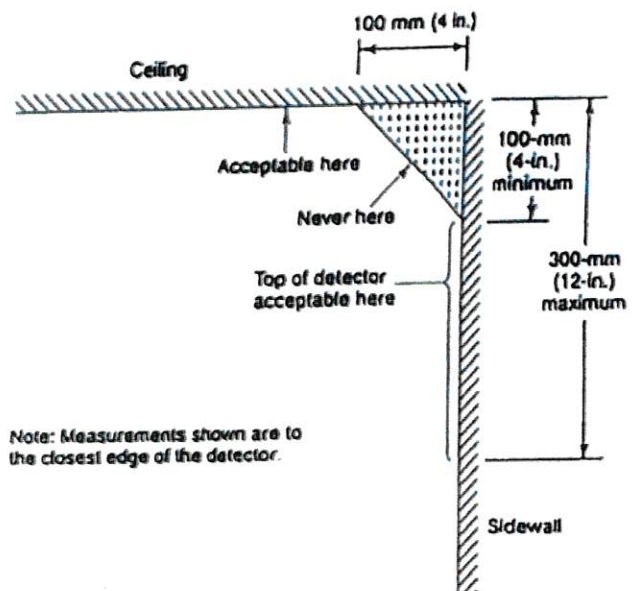


Figure 3

A smoke detector should be located on each story.



Note: Measurements shown are to the closest edge of the detector.

Figure 4

Example of proper mounting for detectors.