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OFFICE OF THE FIRE OFFICIAL

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE SMOKE ALARM/CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM COMPLIANCE

Date: _____ Block: _____ Lot: _____

Address to be inspected: _____

Year home built: _____

Current owner's name: _____

Current owner's address: _____

Telephone numbers: Home: _____ Cell/Work _____

Realtor's name: _____

Realtor's telephone number: _____

Purchaser's name: _____

This structure is used as a: One (1) family Two (2) family Townhouse/Condo

This property will be (check one only): Sold Leased to a new tenant / Date of closing: _____

I am hereby making application for a CERTIFICATE SMOKE ALARM/CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM COMPLIANCE for the above mentioned property. I further hereby certify that the information contained herein is correct. I understand that any false statements will result in the revocation of the certificate and may result in the issuance of penalties up to \$500 per NJAC 5:70-2.12, plus \$500 per NJAC 5:70:12A.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Type or print name: _____

The application fee for a Certificate of Smoke Alarm, and Carbon Monoxide Alarm Compliance (CSACMC) as required by N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.3, shall be based upon the time remaining before the change of occupant is expected, as follows:

- Fees and penalties: Request for a CSCAMAC received **more than 10** business days prior to the change of occupant - **\$50.00**
- Request for a CSCAMAC received **four to 10** business days prior to the change of occupant - **\$90.00**
- Request for a CSCAMAC received **fewer than four** business days prior to the change of occupant - **\$161.00**
- * There is a reinspection fee of **\$50.00** for each inspection made after two (2) initial inspections.

Make checks payable to: Branchburg Fire Safety

Mail payment & application form to: Township of Branchburg
Office of the Fire Official
1077 US Highway 202 North
Branchburg, NJ 08876-3936

To schedule your inspection and/or for questions on placement please call 908-526-1300 x158 or deliver in person to the Office of the Fire Official in the Municipal Building.

For Office Use Only

Date Paid: _____ Amount Paid/Collected: _____

Interconnected all floors: Yes No Owner occupied Owner leased

Floors interconnect: Basement 1st 2nd 3rd 4th Qty stories: _____

Number of alarms each floor: Basement _____ 1st _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____ 4th _____

CO Detector: _____

Portable Fire Extinguisher: _____



SMOKE ALARM REQUIREMENTS:

TEST AND CLEAN YOUR SMOKE ALARMS BEFORE INSPECTION DATE. CHECK TABLE BELOW TO ENSURE YOUR SMOKE DETECTORS MEET MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS.

There are different types of single and multiple-station smoke alarms

1. Battery operated smoke alarms
2. Electric smoke alarm
3. Electric smoke alarms with interconnection
4. Electric smoke alarms with interconnection and battery back-up

The type of smoke alarm required for a CSACMAPFEC will depend on the type of smoke alarm that was required at the time of original construction. See list below

HOUSES BUILT/RENOVATED:

Prior to January 1977

January 1977 - September 1978

October 1978 - January 1983

February 1983 - July 1984

August 1984 - February 1991

March 1991 – Present

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR CSACMAPFEC

Ten-year sealed battery-powered smoke alarm on all levels.

Electric smoke alarms on sleeping levels.

Ten-year sealed battery-powered smoke alarm on all other levels.

Electric smoke alarm on sleeping levels and basement level.

Ten-year sealed battery-powered smoke alarm on all other levels.

Electric smoke alarm on all levels.

Electric smoke alarm on all levels & all alarms must be interconnected equipped with battery back-up.

Electric smoke alarm on all levels & inside each bedroom.

All alarms must be interconnected & equipped with battery back-up.

Unless otherwise recommended by the manufacturer's published instructions, single and multiple station smoke alarms installed in one and two family dwellings shall be replaced when they fail to respond to operability test but shall not remain in service longer than ten years from the date of manufacture. NFPA 72; 2013 edition

Combination smoke/carbon monoxide alarms shall be replaced when the end-of-life signal activates or ten years from the date of manufacture, whichever comes first. (SIG-HOU)

The smoke detector installed on the basement level and all levels without a sleeping area must be located in close proximity to the stairway leading to the floor above.

Smoke detectors must be properly mounted and secured to the ceiling or wall. Smoke detector base must be flush with the ceiling/wall.

All smoke alarms must be UL listed or equivalent and must have a test button.

Smoke alarms are NOT permitted:

Within 5 feet of a kitchen (cooking vapors).

Exception: photoelectric type smoke alarms may be within 5 feet of kitchen.

Within 3 feet of an attic fan or the tips of the ceiling fan blades.

Within 3 feet of the door leading to a bathroom containing a tub or shower (steam).

Exception: photoelectric type smoke alarms may be within 3 feet of bathroom.

Within 3 feet of an air vent (supply or air flow)

Within 1 foot of a light fixture.

Smoke detectors are not permitted to be painted.

Branchburg Township Fire Prevention will not test fire alarm systems. Many of these systems do not meet the CSACMAPFEC requirements.



CARBON MONOXIDE (CO) ALARM REQUIREMENTS

A carbon monoxide alarm is required on the sleeping level(s) of all 1 & 2 family dwellings. The alarm must be in the hallway located in close proximity to every bedroom door. If a level has more than one sleeping area, carbon monoxide alarms are required in each sleeping area.

Carbon monoxide alarms may be battery or electric with battery backup.

Carbon monoxide alarms shall be replaced when either the end-of-life signal is activated or the manufacturer's replacement date is reached. Alarms shall also be replaced when they fail to respond to operability tests. NFPA 720 2015 edition.

If a combination smoke detector/carbon monoxide alarm is installed, the placement of the detector must meet the requirements for a smoke detector.

PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS REQUIREMENTS

The extinguisher shall be within ten feet of the kitchen and located in the path of egress. If a residence has more than one kitchen or cooking area, an additional fire extinguisher is required;

The extinguisher shall be readily accessible and not obstructed from view;

The extinguisher shall be mounted using the manufacturer's hanging bracket so the operating instructions are clearly visible;

The extinguisher shall be an approved listed and labeled type with a minimum rating of 2A:10B:C and no more than 10 pounds;

The owner's manual or written operation instructions shall be provided during the inspection and left for the new occupant;

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 with the manufacturer's provided tag attached to the extinguisher;

The top of the extinguisher shall not be more than five feet above the floor.

Exception: Portable fire extinguisher shall not be required for seasonal summer units. For purposes of applying this exception, "seasonal summer unit" shall mean a dwelling unit rented for a term of not more than 125 consecutive days for residential purposes by a person having a permanent residence elsewhere, but shall not include use or rent of living quarters by migrant, temporary, or seasonal workers in the connection with any work or place where work is being performed,

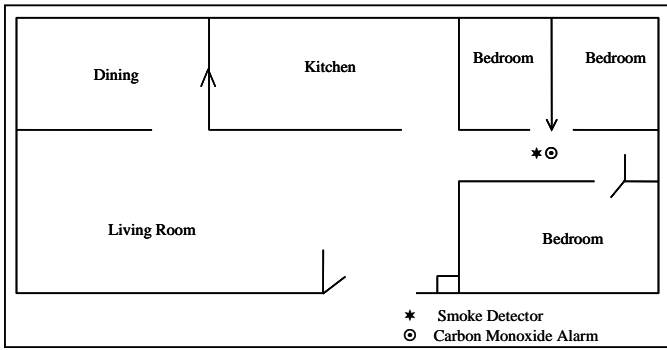


Figure 1

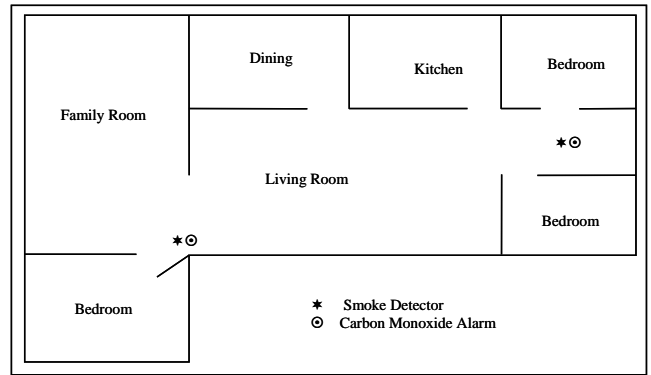


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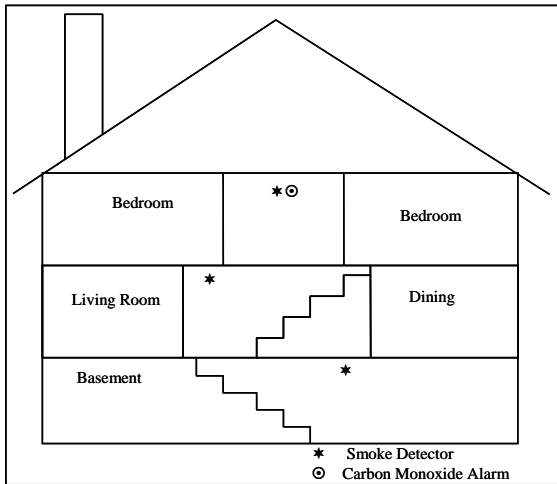


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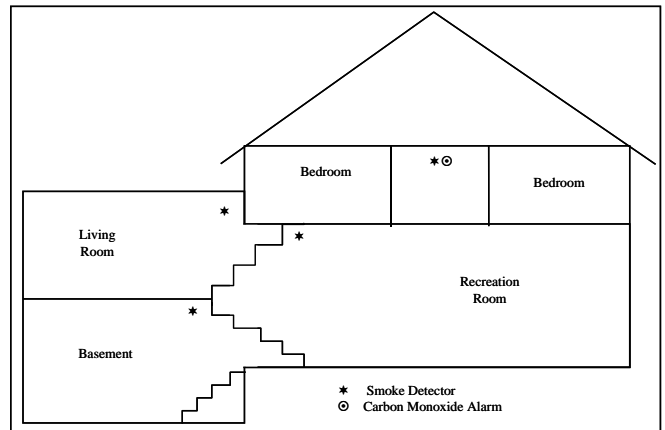
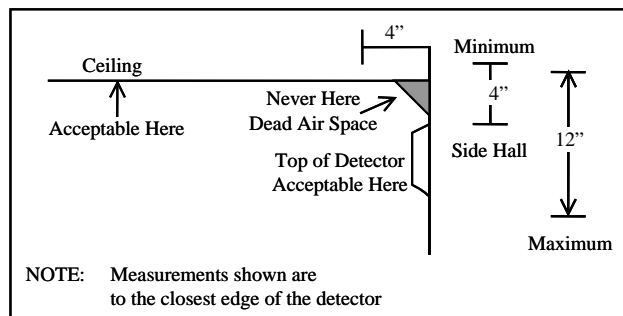


Figure 4



Example of proper mounting for smoke detector
(From NFPA 74 NFPA 720)

Figure 5