

# Smoke Detector, Carbon Monoxide Detector, Fire Extinguisher Inspection Application

## Requirements:

- *Inspector(s) perform inspections Monday thru Friday between 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
(Please note; NO exact time slots are given unless other arrangements are made)*
- *Inspection fees are:*
  - *10 or more days prior to closing*                   \$ 50.00
  - *5 to 10 days prior to closing*                   \$ 100.00
  - *4 days or less prior to closing*                   \$ 165.00
- *Minimum of 1 **SMOKE DETECTOR** is required on each level of the house including the basement, unless original certificate of occupancy required more.*
- *One (1) **CARBON MONOOXIDE** is required on each level of the house that has bedrooms.  
(Example: if a person has 3 bedrooms on the second floor, then 1 carbon monoxide detector is required in the general area of the bedrooms, such as the hallway. Plug-In detectors are acceptable). We would recommend installing a detector on every level including the basement.*
- ***Minimum of 1 2A- 10BC type FIRE EXTINGUISHER is required per residence, mounted on the wall in the kitchen or within 10 feet of the kitchen in plan sight.***
- *House numbers are required per residence.*
- *A Certificate of Compliance will be issued upon successful completion of the inspection and the appropriate fee is paid*
- *Fill in the below information and leave at Fire Prevention Office and we will call to set an appointment*

Home Owner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Real Estate Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Agent: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## 1. SMOKE DETECTORS

- At a minimum, one smoke detector shall be located on each level of the residence, including the basement.
- The detectors should preferably be mounted to the ceiling.
- If a detector has to be mounted on a wall, it must be mounted 4 inches minimum and 12 inches maximum from the ceiling. Check manufactures specifications for installation.
- Detectors must be 4 inches from any corner and a minimum of 3 feet for any air registers.
- **Any prewired / interconnected smoke and carbon detectors must be functioning, battery operated units CANNOT be substituted in lieu of getting the wired units functioning.**
- Please be sure to check the manufactures installation guide as well
- All battery operated smoke alarms shall be powered by; ten (10) year sealed batteries and shall be installed and shall be listed in accordance with ANSI/UL 217

## 2. CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS (CO)

- On each level that has bedrooms, detectors shall be installed within 10 feet of the bedrooms.
- They can be ceilings or walls with no height restrictions
- Please be sure to check the manufactures installation guide as well

## 3. FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

- At least one portable fire extinguisher shall be installed in all 1 and 2 family dwellings upon a sale or change of tenancy.
- **Effective immediately the fire extinguisher shall be a; 2A – 10 BC (approximately 5 pounds) and no greater than 10 pounds. This shall be mounted with ten (10) feet of the kitchen and be visible.**
- **The extinguisher shall be charges, operable and MOUNTED in a visible location within 10 feet of the kitchen and not blocked by furniture, behind a door or in a closet.**

## 4. FEES

- The fee for the fire safety inspection is: **\$ 50.00**, if perform within the stated time frame (10 days prior to closing) as indicated on page 1 of this application, additional fees made imposed.
- If a re-inspection is required if any of the above mandates fail will result in an additional **\$ 40.00** fee for each additional re-inspection.
- Payment can be made by check, made out to the “**Kinnelon Fire Prevention Bureau**”.

## 5. SECONDARY POWER SOURCE IDENTIFICATION LABEL

- A structure used or intended for use for residential purposes by one or two households must have a label installed within 18” inches of the main electrical panel and electric meter warning of the dangers associated with secondary power sources. A secondary power source may include permanently installed internal combustion generators, solar panels, battery storage systems, or any other supplemental source of electrical energy to primary power supply.
- The label must be marked with the wording similar to “**CAUTION MULTIPLE SOURCES OF POWER**” and may not be handwritten. A label compliant with ANSI Z535.4 will meet the requirement of this law and may be referenced in the subsequent regulations.

## 6. FAQ and Helpful Hints

- If you have a Fire Alarm System, you will be required to know how the system works, including password(s), alarm company phone number, how to silence and reset the system for us to inspect it. The alarm company must be notified that system is being tested.
- A low voltage fire alarms system older than ten-10 years shall require a certificate or letter with the company name on it, stating the alarm is in working order.
- A low voltage fire alarm system shall not be replaced with a battery-operated smoke detector.

- Do not install detectors in attic unless it's a finished room. Variations of temperatures will cause erroneous smoke detector activation.
- Do not mount detectors in the stairway or at the top of the basement stairs.
- Do not mount detectors in kitchen as they often result in many nuisance alarms.
- Combination (Smoke and Carbon) detectors are permitted on both ten 10-year battery and hard wired 110-volt detectors.
- **ALL HARD WIRED 110 VOLT DETECTORS 10 YEARS OR OLDER MUST BE REPLACED, PER MANUFACTURES RECOMMENDATIONS.**
- **REPLACEMENT SINGLE STATION BATTERY SMOKE DETECTORS SHALL BE 10 YEAR SEALED BATTERY TYPE DETECTORS.**

To schedule the inspection or if you have additional questions you can call the Fire Official at 973-838-5401 ext. 226 or email him at [mlime@kinnelonboro.org](mailto:mlime@kinnelonboro.org)