

Electrical Advisory

Information for Electrical Contractors

Information contained in this advisory does not negate the responsibility of Electrical Contractors, and others, to comply with the requirements of the Canadian Electrical Code, the Electrical By-Law and the Authority Having Jurisdiction.

Smoke Alarm Requirements for One- and Two-Family Dwellings

Dear Contractors,

The City has recently adopted the 2024 NFPA Life Safety Code. Effective immediately this adoption brings changes to the smoke alarm requirements for all existing one- and two-family dwellings. Therefore, these requirements will also apply to the final inspection for electrical service upgrades.

Smoke alarms must now be installed in the following locations:

- **All sleeping rooms**
- **Outside each separate sleeping area, in the immediate vicinity of the sleeping rooms (e.g., hallway)**
- **On each level of the dwelling, including basements**

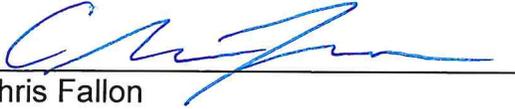
Note: For existing dwellings, battery-powered smoke alarms are permitted, and interconnection is not required.

This change aligns all existing one- and two-family dwellings with the enhanced safety requirements of the National Building Code of Canada, ensuring better protection of life.

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If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Inspector on duty at 709-576-8049.

Sincerely,



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