

SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM MAINTENANCE INFORMATION FOR TENANTS AND OCCUPANTS IN RENTAL UNITS

The Ontario Fire Code has specific requirements for smoke and carbon monoxide alarm installation and maintenance. These alarms are very important for the safety of you and your neighbours by giving early warning of fire or unsafe levels of carbon monoxide. Your landlord is responsible for installing smoke and carbon monoxide alarms and keeping them in working condition, including testing, repairs and replacement as necessary. Your landlord must also act to correct any problem or concern you report about the operation of your smoke or carbon monoxide alarm.

The Fire Code also specifies that **“no person shall disable a smoke or carbon monoxide alarm so as to make it inoperable”**. A tenant or any other person who disables a smoke or carbon monoxide alarm is guilty of a provincial offence and is subject to a fine.

YOUR RENTAL UNIT IS EQUIPPED WITH THE FOLLOWING ALARM TYPES			
ALARM TYPE	POWER SOURCE		QTY
Smoke Alarm	<input type="checkbox"/> Battery <input type="checkbox"/> Hardwired	<input type="checkbox"/> Interconnected	
Carbon Monoxide Alarm	<input type="checkbox"/> Battery <input type="checkbox"/> Hardwired	<input type="checkbox"/> Interconnected	
Combination Smoke/Carbon Monoxide Alarm	<input type="checkbox"/> Battery <input type="checkbox"/> Hardwired	<input type="checkbox"/> Interconnected	
You have been given a copy of the manufacturer’s maintenance instructions. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			

Here are some steps that you can take:

- ◆ Notify the landlord when the low battery signal is activated (on battery operated alarms only) and make arrangements for replacement of the battery.
- ◆ Notify the landlord if the "power on" indicator goes out (on electrically wired alarms only) and arrange for appropriate repairs.
- ◆ Notify the landlord if the alarm is damaged and make arrangements for the repair or replacement of the unit.
- ◆ When you have been absent for seven or more days (such as vacation), arrange for the alarms to be tested by the landlord to ensure that the alarms are operable (on battery operated alarms only).
- ◆ Notify the landlord of any electrical problems that may affect the operability of electrically wired alarms.
- ◆ Contact your local fire department if you have serious concerns about the operability of your smoke or carbon monoxide alarm or any other fire safety matters in your building.

Landlord/manager (please print): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Occupant(s) (please print): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____