Wellfleet Fire Department



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## **CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS**

## INFORMATION FOR COMMERCIAL CONTRACTORS

Required in all residential dwellings as of April 1, 2006 (527 CMR 31.00)

PLACEMENT: Alarms are required on every **habitable level** of the dwelling and in areas or rooms containing fossil fuel burning equipment.

Alarms are required in or within 10 feet of every bedroom.

## **TYPES OF DETECTORS:**

- Battery operated with low-battery monitoring
- Plug-in with battery backup
- Hard wired with battery backup
- Low voltage system
- Qualified combination smoke and carbon monoxide alarm (Only **photoelectric smoke alarms** are allowed within 20 feet of kitchens or bathrooms)

The Fire Department will inspect smoke and carbon monoxide alarms on the sale or transfer of properties, **or if new construction or alterations require a building permit.** 

The Fire Department will locate smoke and carbon monoxide on construction plans.

Please call the Fire or Building Departments with any questions regarding this new regulation.