



**Chatham-Kent
Fire & Rescue**

SMOKE ALARM & CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM CHECKLIST / SIGN-OFF

Large Buildings (5 or more units)

The Ontario Fire Code requires that smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms be installed in all dwelling units in accordance with the Ontario Building Code. The Ontario Fire Code further requires the landlord to maintain the alarms.

Ontario Fire Code – Smoke Alarms

- 6.3.3.3. (1) Smoke Alarms shall be maintained in operating condition by the owner.
- 6.3.3.4. The landlord shall provide a copy of the smoke alarm manufacturer's maintenance instructions or approved alternative to the occupant in each rental dwelling unit.
- 6.3.3.6 No person shall intentionally disable a smoke alarm so as to make it inoperable.

Ontario Fire Code – Carbon Monoxide Alarms

- 6.3.4.2 Carbon Monoxide Alarms shall be maintained in operating condition by the owner.
- 6.3.4.4 The landlord shall provide a copy of the smoke alarm manufacturer's maintenance instructions or approved alternative to the occupant in each rental dwelling unit.
- 6.3.4.6 No person shall intentionally disable a smoke alarm so as to make it inoperable.

Smoke Alarm and Carbon Monoxide Alarm Annual Maintenance Requirements:

1. Smoke alarms are securely fastened to the ceiling on all levels including the basement in accordance to the manufacturer's instructions.
2. Carbon monoxide alarms properly located adjacent to all sleeping areas and fuel fire appliance rooms including attached garage as per the manufacturer's instructions.
3. No visible signs of excessive dirt or grease accumulations around the ventilation holes (alarm vacuumed if dirty).
4. If a battery operated, install a new battery properly and ensure it is securely connected to the clips.
5. Smoke alarm and carbon monoxide alarm signals sound when the test button is operated.
6. Smoke alarm signal sounds when tested by using smoke produced from a burning string or incense stick. Do not use an open flame.

