

NEW BRUNSWICK FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Smoke Alarm, Carbon Monoxide Alarm, and Portable Fire Extinguisher Compliance (CSACMAPFEC)

Before any ONE (1) or TWO (2) family structure is **sold, leased** or otherwise made subject to a **change of occupancy** for residential purposes, the owner shall obtain a **Certificate of Smoke Alarm, Carbon Monoxide Alarm, and Portable Fire Extinguisher Compliance (CSACMAPFEC)** as per N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.3 of The New Jersey State Fire Code and evidencing compliance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-4.19.

“**Change of occupancy**” shall mean that a home, apartment, townhouse or condo resident has moved and the unit is available for lease. “**Mixed-use occupancies**” with one or two apartments shall apply for inspection and conform to the above-listed requirements.

Please note: A “change of occupancy” includes situations in which at least one resident moves out and is replaced with another.

A **CSACMAPFEC** application shall be submitted and the fee paid. Applications are available at the Department of Fire Safety, 25 Kirkpatrick Street, 2nd floor, or may be downloaded at www.cityofnewbrunswick.org/firesafetyforms.

*****As of January 1, 2019, all ONE and TWO-family dwellings must have TEN-year sealed smoke alarms.**

AC-powered (electric) smoke alarms SHALL NEVER BE REPLACED with TEN-year sealed smoke alarms.

- **Smoke alarms shall never be older than 10 years.** They shall be located on every level of the structure and within 10 feet of sleeping rooms. They should be installed on ceiling or wall (6 inches from ceiling) and at least 3 feet from ceiling fan blades and heating or air conditioner registers.
- **Carbon monoxide alarms shall be no older than 7 years.** They shall be installed as per the manufacturer’s recommendations and located on every level with sleeping rooms and within 10 feet of those rooms.
- **Fire extinguishers** shall be located within 10 feet of kitchen, mounted on wall with top of extinguisher 4 ½ to 5 feet from the floor, and must also be located near an exit away from stove. Extinguisher size shall be a **2A-10B:C**.

Failure to obtain a CSACMAPFEC will result in a penalty of \$500.00.