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## CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS

According to N.J.A.C. 5:70-4.19, effective April 7, 2003, Carbon Monoxide detectors are required for all residential occupancies. Said detectors shall be installed in all dwelling units within 10 feet of any sleeping area.

This New Jersey State law now requires that any existing dwelling, that contains a fuel burning appliance, fireplace, woodstove, or having an attached garage, that undergo a repair, renovation, alteration, addition or installation of equipment that requires a permit, be equipped with a Carbon Monoxide (CO) detector. No additional permit is required for their installation, unless they are permanently connected to the homes electrical wiring.

These detectors are available from most hardware stores, home centers, department stores and discount stores. These detectors are available from approximately \$20.00-\$100.00 and combination Smoke/CO detectors are available from approximately \$50.00-\$80.00. These detectors may be battery operated, plug-in, or hard-wired with battery back up. These detectors must be installed (if not already) before calling for final inspections. NOTE: Bedrooms being altered, renovated or newly created have additional smoke detector requirements.