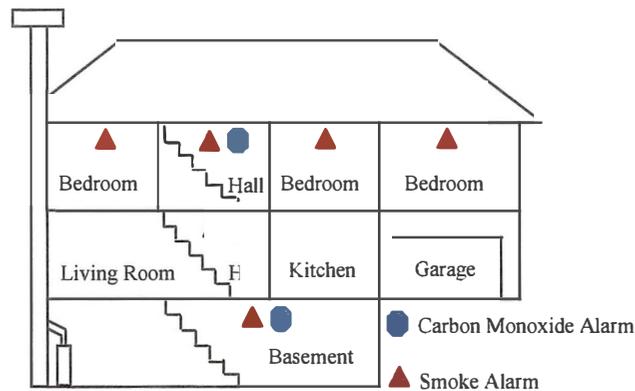


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## SMOKE and CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM REQUIREMENTS



Whenever interior alterations, repairs, additions or conversions requiring a permit occur, or when one or more sleeping rooms are added or created in existing dwellings, the individual dwelling unit shall be provided with smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, as required for new dwellings. The required smoke and carbon monoxide alarms must be hardwired (120 volt) with battery backup and interconnected. The alarms shall be clearly audible in all bedrooms over background noise levels with all intervening doors closed.

Exception: Where smoke and carbon monoxide alarms are missing on the second floor, newly installed smoke and carbon monoxide alarms shall be permitted to be battery operated.

**This exception only applies when there is not any work associated with the second floor.**

**Smoke alarms** are required to be installed in the following locations:

1. In each sleeping room.
2. Outside each separate sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of the bedrooms.
3. On each additional story of the dwelling, including basements and cellars, but not including crawl spaces and uninhabitable attics.

**Carbon monoxide alarms** are required to be installed in the following locations:

1. On any story of a dwelling unit or sleeping room where fuel-fired appliances and equipment, solid-fuel burning appliances and equipment, fireplaces or attached garages are located.

Combination smoke and carbon monoxide alarms are permitted, provided the alarm is listed for such use and has distinctly different alarm signals for smoke or carbon monoxide alarm activation.