

Town of Fairfield
SMOKE DETECTOR LAW

An Article of the Fairfield Fire Prevention Code enacted March 1981 and amended January 1986.

A. Basic Requirement and Owner's Responsibility

It is the responsibility of the owner of each new and existing occupied dwelling unit to install and maintain operating smoke detectors in each such dwelling unit. Failure to install and maintain smoke detectors as and where required may subject the property owner to penalties as set forth in the Code.

B. Location 1

At least one smoke detector shall be installed to protect each sleeping area. A sleeping area is defined as the area or areas of the family living unit in which the bedrooms (or sleeping rooms) are located.

NOTE: For dwelling units constructed AFTER 1985, smoke alarms are also required to be located *within the sleeping rooms (bedrooms)*.

Location 2

At least one operating smoke detector shall be installed on each additional story of the dwelling unit in or near each stairway in such a manner as to assure that rising smoke is not obstructed in reaching the detector and that rising smoke cannot effectively bypass the detector.

SEE DIAGRAM

Advisory - Carbon Monoxide Alarms

Each dwelling unit should have one or more Carbon Monoxide Alarms located in the vicinity of the bedrooms.