



CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM REQUIREMENTS

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According to the California Residential Code Section R-315, carbon monoxide alarms shall be provided in all residential occupancy projects issued building permits where work exceeds \$1,000.00.

All rental properties shall be provided smoke and carbon monoxide alarms in accordance with the requirements of the health and safety code.

Dwelling units and sleeping units containing fuel burning appliances; and/or that have attached garages are required to have carbon monoxide alarms.

Carbon monoxide alarms shall be installed in the following locations:

1. Outside of each separate sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of bedrooms.
2. On every level of a dwelling unit, including basements.
3. Where more than one carbon monoxide alarm is required to be installed within the dwelling unit (or within a sleeping unit) the alarm shall be interconnected in a manner that activation of one alarm shall activate all of the alarms in the individual unit.

Exception:

Interconnection is not required in existing dwelling units:

- Where repairs do not result in removing wall and ceiling finishes
- There is no access by means of attic, basement or crawl space
- No previous method for interconnection existed

4. Carbon monoxide alarms combined with smoke alarms shall comply with CRC R-315 or CBC 420.4 and all applicable standards and requirements for listing and approval by the office of the State Fire Marshal.