



Home Fire Safety Checklist

The Board of Health recommends all homeowners review the Fire Official's inspection checklist to ensure that their fire safety systems are working and up to date, providing the intended protection for you and your family.

Please note that if you are selling your home or renting a residence in Readington Township, a Certificate of Residential Fire Inspection is required. It addresses requirements for smoke / carbon monoxide (CO) alarms and a fire extinguisher established by the State for residences. This certificate application can be found on the township website at:

<https://www.readingtontwpnj.gov/images/forms/Residential-Fire-Inspection-Application.pdf>

Smoke Alarms:

- Located on each level of the dwelling, including basement and within 10 feet of all bedrooms
- Smoke alarms kept at least 3 feet away from ceiling fans and vents
- Replaced after 10 years
- Tested and operable
- When located in a bedroom and when hardwired & interconnected, smoke detectors must be maintained (When one alarm sounds, all others do as well)

Carbon Monoxide Alarms:

- Located within 10 feet of all bedrooms
- Battery Operated, Plug In, or Combination Smoke/Carbon Monoxide permitted
- Replaced every 5 years or according to manufacturer's recommendations

Unlike smoke you cannot see or smell Carbon Monoxide

Portable Fire Extinguisher:

- 2A:10B:C (ABC dry chemical type). A: Wood/Paper, B: Liquids, C: Electrically Energized
- Mounted with approved manufacturer's bracket on a wall
- Located within 10 feet of kitchen with the top no higher than 5 feet above the floor
- Clearly visible and accessible
- Do not mount inside cabinets, closets, or pantries
- Purchased or inspected within the last year

If you have any questions or require assistance with smoke detectors, Carbon Monoxide detectors and fire extinguishers please do not hesitate to contact our office at 908-534-4051 x263.