

Smoke Alarms

The Florida National Fire Prevention Association mandates smoke alarm in all sleeping areas. This mandate is enforced by the City of St. Petersburg office of the Fire Marshal. Smoke alarms are unit owner responsibility. Below are the requirements for those smoke alarms:

Sleeping Rooms

Provide smoke alarms in all sleeping room(s) per code. Battery operated smoke alarms utilized in this code section must be powered by a non-removable, non-replaceable battery that powers the smoke alarm for at least 10 years. Place smoke alarm a minimum of 3 feet from ceiling fans or ac vents either on ceiling or on wall between 4 and 12 inches from ceiling.

Common Area

Provide hard wired smoke alarms with battery back up outside every sleeping area (common area). Place smoke alarm a minimum of 3 feet from ceiling fans or ac vents either on ceiling or on wall between 4 and 12 inches from ceiling.

Two Story Units

In buildings other than those equipped throughout with an existing, complete automatic smoke detection system, smoke alarms shall be installed in accordance with 9.6.2.10, as modified by 31.3.4.5.2, outside every sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of the bedrooms and on all levels of the dwelling unit, including basements.

If you should have any questions, please contact St. Petersburg Fire Rescue at 727-893-7699.