CHAPTER 1478
Smoke Detectors

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1478.01 INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS; DETECTOR SPECIFICATIONS.

(a) Smoke detectors shall be installed in each one-family or multiple dwelling unit hereafter constructed. There shall be a minimum of one smoke detector for each dwelling unit.

(b) All smoke detectors must be approved by Factory Mutual and Underwriters Laboratories, Inc.

(c) All smoke detectors must be installed to comply with the manufacturer’s recommendations and the recommendations of the approving or listing agency.

(d) All smoke detectors must be battery-operated smoke detectors. All battery-operated smoke detectors must have a visible and audible signal to indicate battery output and when the batteries must be replaced.

(e) All smoke detectors shall be sensitive to visible and invisible products of combustion, except that detectors sensitive to heat only are not acceptable. Detectors must be of an ionization type to pick up P.V.C.
(f) All alarm sounding devices shall be rated at not less than eighty-five decibels at ten feet and shall be able to maintain this level of warning for a minimum of four continuous minutes.

(g) Smoke detectors shall be installed in all residential buildings hereafter constructed before an occupancy permit will be issued.

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1478.99 PENALTY.

Whoever violates or fails to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree and shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars ($1,000) or imprisoned not more than six months, or both, for each offense. A separate offense shall be deemed committed each day during or on which a violation or noncompliance occurs or continues.