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Massachusetts General Law Chapter 148 Sec. 26F and 26F1/2
26F & 26F V2 Smoke Detector & Carbon Monoxide Detector Compliance Policy

Smoke Detectors:

- All smoke detectors shall be mounted on the ceiling per manufacturer recommendations.
- All Detectors shall be Photoelectric type.
- One smoke detector for every 1200 sq. ft. of living space
- One smoke detector within 10 ft. of each separate sleeping area. (Also inside bedroom on new construction or renovation).
- If a bedroom is located off of a kitchen, the smoke detector shall be located inside the bedroom.
- One smoke detector on the ceiling, at the base of all stairways.
- A minimum of one smoke detector required on every habitable level and one detector in the basement within 5 ft. of all stairways.

Carbon Monoxide Detectors:

- All carbon monoxide detectors shall be mounted per manufacturer recommendations.
- A minimum of one CO detector on every level including the basement.
- The CO detector must be located within 10 ft. of every bedroom.
- Combination photoelectric smoke/carbon monoxide detectors are acceptable.
- If a combination detector is used it must be the speaking type.
- Plug in carbon monoxide devices may be used if smoke detectors are hard wired.

All detectors shall be less than 10 years old. Devices without a date of manufacture will be considered more than 10 years old.

HOUSE NUMBER

Please note: The home will also be inspected to ensure that a number representing the address of the structure is affixed and visible from the street. The number should not be on the door itself as the number would not be visible if the door was open.

"SMOKE DETECTORS SAVE LIVES"