

SMOKE ALARMS

(Pursuant to 2009 IRC R314)



Permits and fees apply

An electrical application is required prior to installing the smoke alarms in your home. The fee is based on the number of inspections required.

Where do I need to install the smoke alarms?

- In each sleeping room and outside each sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of the bedrooms.
- On every floor level including basements, but not including crawlspace and uninhabitable attics.
- In split level floor plans, at the upper level, provided there is no intervening door between adjacent levels and the

lower level is less than a full story below the upper level.

What do I need to do?

Complete an electrical application form at City Hall or obtain the application online www.ci.mountlaketerrace.wa.us/cityServices/development/pdf/permits/building/Electrical_Application_6.1.10.pdf Submit the completed electrical application and pay the fee.



Are there any special restrictions?

- Inspection. An inspection is required after the smoke alarms have been installed. Call the inspection request line at 425.775.9694 to request your inspections and specific time you would like. A building inspector will check to see if the smoke alarms were installed correctly.
- Expiration. The permit is valid for 6 months. If no inspection is requested within 6 months of getting the permit, the permit will expire.

- Alarm locations to avoid.
 - Near combustible sources, hot water heaters, fireplaces, furnaces, space heaters, kitchens, and garages with vehicle exhaust (place alarms at least 20' away from such sources).
 - In damp areas, such as bathrooms with showers (place alarms at least 10' away from such sources).
 - In very cold or hot areas, such as unheated or outdoor rooms where the temperature will fall out of the alarm operating range.
 - In very dusty or dirty areas where the vents of the alarm could become clogged.
 - Near fresh air vents or drafty areas, such as air conditioners, heaters, floor and ceiling fans.
 - In dead air spaces.
 - Near fluorescent lights (place alarms at least 5 feet away from such sources).



Questions?

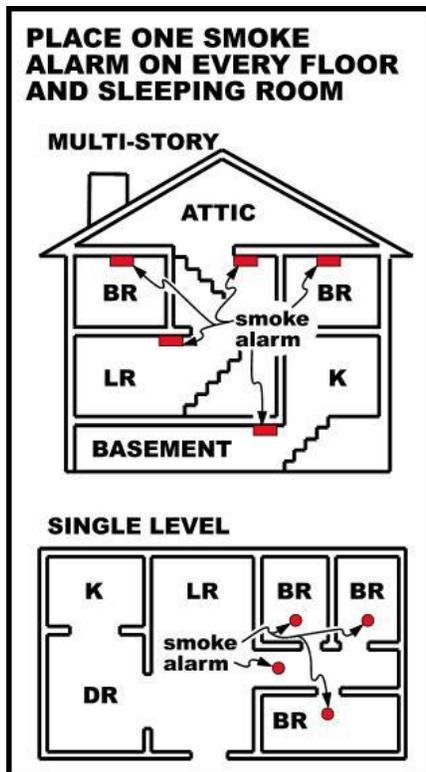
City staff is happy to answer your questions, provide plot plans and assist you to obtain the permit.

For more information contact

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This brochure is not intended to cover all situations nor to replace any code provision that may apply and may differ or conflict with this information. Contact City staff to discuss your specific project.
