

SMOKE ALARM LAWS



2022 Connecticut Fire Fire Marshal's Association

TYPE OF ALARM(S): The type of alarms required in a dwelling depends upon the age of the property based on the date of the Building Permit (BP) was issued. Smoke alarms are required on every occupied floor and basements. On May 1, 1999 including one on every floor smoke alarms in sleeping areas were added.

BP issued
Prior to 10/1/1976

Alarm may be
battery or A/C
hardwired.

BP Issued From
10/1/1976 and
Prior to 10/1/1985

A/C hardwired
alarm required.

BP Issued as of
10/1/1985

A/C hardwired
alarm with battery
backup.

BP Issued as of
10/16/1989

All smoke alarms
are required to be
interconnected to
alarm
simultaneously.

BP issued as of
May 1, 1999

Detectors are now
required in all
sleeping areas.

- *Minimum requirements require at least one smoke alarm on each level and in the immediate vicinity of each bedroom.*