

NEWS BULLETIN

CITY OF ESCANABA UPDATES SMOKE ALARM ORDINANCE

On June 17, 2004, the City of Escanaba City Council approved Ordinance 1040, an Ordinance to amend Ordinance 907, the Property Maintenance Code., Section 705.0 Fire Protection Systems, paragraphs PM-705.5 Smoke Detectors and PM-705.5.2 Power Source.

Effective August 1, 2004, all residential dwelling units within the Escanaba City limits will be required to have smoke alarms with either a non-tamperproof ten-year non-replaceable lithium power cell or single or multiple station direct wired smoke alarms. Smoke alarms must be installed in each sleeping room and outside of each separate sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of the sleeping room, each additional story of a dwelling, including basement and cellars and at the top of the first to second floor stairway and at the bottom of the basement stairway. Additionally, when the valuation of an electrical alteration or repair to a dwelling or dwelling unit exceeds \$1,000.00 and an electrical permit is required, or when one or more sleeping rooms are added or created in an existing dwelling or dwelling unit, smoke detectors must be installed as in accordance with the latest edition of the Building Code for new construction. The date of alarm installation must be clearly marked on all smoke alarm units.

This bulletin is being provided to all vendors who may need to order the required smoke detectors to meet their customer demand.

Question concerning smoke detectors in Escanaba should be directed to the Community Preservation Department, 786-9402.



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