

TITLE: SMOKE ALARM
VERSION: V2.2
DATE PUBLISHED: 06/23/22

DEFINITION: A self-contained device that detects the presence of smoke, typically as an indicator of fire, and provides a visual or audio signal as an alert.

PURPOSE: To detect the presence of smoke and provide alert.

COMMON COMPONENTS: Plastic shell, Base, Battery, Light, Speaker, Test button, Electronic circuit; Battery backup

LOCATION:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Unit	Bedrooms, hallways, kitchens, stairwells
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Inside	Hallways, kitchens, stairwells, common areas
<input type="checkbox"/>	Outside	None

MORE INFORMATION:

- Smoke alarm should be installed high on walls or ceilings.
 - If mounted on the ceiling, then it must be greater than 4 inches from the wall.
 - If mounted on the wall, then it cannot be closer than 4 inches or greater than 12 inches from the ceiling.
- Smoke alarm should be installed at least 10 feet from a cooking appliance.
- Smoke alarm should not:
 - Be installed near windows, doors, or ducts where drafts might interfere with their operation.
 - Be painted or have stickers or other decorations present.

DEFICIENCY 1: Smoke alarm is not installed where required.

LOCATION: Unit Inside

DEFICIENCY 2: Smoke alarm does not produce an audio or visual alarm when tested.

LOCATION: Unit Inside

DEFICIENCY I — UNIT: SMOKE ALARM IS NOT INSTALLED WHERE REQUIRED.

DEFICIENCY CRITERIA: Smoke alarm is not installed inside each sleeping area, outside each sleeping area, and on each level.

HEALTH AND SAFETY DETERMINATION: Life-Threatening The Life-Threatening category includes deficiencies that, if evident in the home or on the property, present a high risk of death to resident.

CORRECTION TIMEFRAME: 24 hours

HCV PASS / FAIL: Fail

HCV CORRECTION TIMEFRAME: 24 hours

INSPECTION PROCESS:

OBSERVATION: - Observe each location where a smoke alarm is required.
- Verify a smoke alarm is present.

REQUEST FOR HELP: - None

ACTION: - None

MORE INFORMATION: - None

DEFICIENCY I — INSIDE: SMOKE ALARM IS NOT INSTALLED WHERE REQUIRED.

DEFICIENCY CRITERIA: Smoke alarm is not installed on each level.

HEALTH AND SAFETY DETERMINATION: Life-Threatening The Life-Threatening category includes deficiencies that, if evident in the home or on the property, present a high risk of death to resident.

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OBSERVATION: - Observe each location where a smoke alarm is required.
- Verify a smoke alarm is present.

REQUEST FOR HELP: - None

ACTION: - None

MORE INFORMATION: - None

DEFICIENCY 2 — UNIT: SMOKE ALARM DOES NOT PRODUCE AN AUDIO OR VISUAL ALARM WHEN TESTED.

DEFICIENCY CRITERIA: Smoke alarm does not produce an audio or visual alarm when tested.

HEALTH AND SAFETY DETERMINATION: Life-Threatening The Life-Threatening category includes deficiencies that, if evident in the home or on the property, present a high risk of death to resident.

CORRECTION TIMEFRAME: 24 hours

HCV PASS / FAIL: Fail

HCV CORRECTION TIMEFRAME: 24 hours

INSPECTION PROCESS:

OBSERVATION: - Look at the smoke alarm to find a test button.

REQUEST FOR HELP: - If no test button is present, then ask the POA for a smoke detector maintenance certificate.

ACTION: - Press the test button and determine if the light on the smoke alarm flashes, strobes, or changes pattern in any way.
- Listen to hear if an alarm is emitted from the smoke alarm at an audible level to alert the resident.

MORE INFORMATION: - None

DEFICIENCY 2 — INSIDE: SMOKE ALARM DOES NOT PRODUCE AN AUDIO OR VISUAL ALARM WHEN TESTED.

DEFICIENCY CRITERIA: Smoke alarm does not produce an audio or visual alarm when tested.

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MORE INFORMATION: - None

SUMMARY OF CHANGES

TITLE: SMOKE ALARM
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FIELD	CHANGE	VERSION	DATE
----	Abbreviated published version	V2.2	2022-06-23
Name Variants	Removed from published version		
Common Materials	Removed from published version		
Rationale	Removed from published version		
Tools or Equipment	Removed from published version		
----	Copyedits	V2.1	2021-04-02
Definition	Revised definition	V2.0	2020-10-28
Common Components	Revised common components	V2.0	2020-10-28
Deficiency 1		V2.0	2020-10-28
Title	Revised title		
Deficiency Criteria	Revised deficiency criteria		
Health and Safety Determination	Added standardized description		
HCV Pass / Fail	Field added; response input as "Fail"		
Rationale	Revised rationale categories, types, and explanations		
Inspection Process	Copyedits; revised more information to "None"		
Deficiency 2		V2.0	2020-10-28
Title	Copyedits		
Deficiency Criteria	Copyedits		
Health and Safety Determination	Added standardized description		
HCV Pass / Fail	Field added; response input as "Fail"		
Rationale	Revised rationale categories, types, and explanations		

Inspection Process	Copyedits		
Overall Formatting	Complete rework of document format and layout	VI.3	2020-07-31
Title	Revised title	VI.3	2020-07-31
Definition	Revised definition	VI.3	2020-07-31
Purpose	Field added	VI.3	2020-07-31
Name Variants	Revised name variants	VI.3	2020-07-31
Common Components	Revised common components	VI.3	2020-07-31
Location	Revised inspectable locations	VI.3	2020-07-31
More Information	Field added	VI.3	2020-07-31
Deficiency 1	Separated by inspectable locations – Unit and Inside	VI.3	2020-07-31
Title	Revised title; added inspectable locations		
Deficiency Criteria	Revised deficiency criteria		
Health and Safety Determination	Revised to “Life-Threatening” determination; added standardized description		
Correction Timeframe	Field added; response input as “24 hours”		
HCV – Correction Timeframe	Field added; response input as “24 hours”		
Rationale	Revised rationale categories, types, and explanations; added standardized codes and descriptions		
Inspection Process	Revised observation, request for help, action, and more information		
Tools or Equipment	Field added to deficiency; response revised		
Deficiency 2	Removed previous deficiency 2; replaced with previous deficiency 3 Separated by inspectable locations – Unit and Inside	VI.3	2020-07-31
Title	Revised title; added inspectable locations		
Deficiency Criteria	Revised deficiency criteria		
Health and Safety Determination	Revised to “Life-Threatening” determination; added standardized description		
Correction Timeframe	Field added; response input as “24 hours”		
HCV – Correction Timeframe	Field added; response input as “24 hours”		
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Inspection Process	Revised observation, request for help, action, and more information
Tools or Equipment	Field added to deficiency; response revised
