

## Maryland Smoke Alarm Requirements Single Family Homes & Duplexes


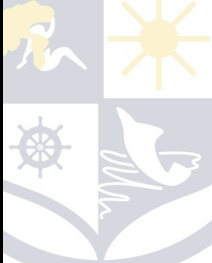

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<b>Power Supply</b>	Battery or Hardwired. If Battery, must be sealed 10 year long life battery	Hardwired **	Hardwired & Interconnected	Hardwired & Interconnected with battery backup	Hardwired & Interconnected with battery backup	Hardwired & Interconnected with battery backup
<b>Locations Required</b>	Outside each sleeping area. <b>Effective January 1, 2018, a minimum of one alarm is required on each level</b>	Outside each sleeping area. <b>Effective January 1, 2018, a minimum of one alarm is required on each level</b>	Outside each sleeping area and a minimum of one on each level	Outside each sleeping area and a minimum of one on each level	Inside and outside each sleeping area and a minimum of one on each level	Inside and outside every sleeping room and a minimum of one on each level
		**Smoke Alarms added as a result of the newly required location are permitted to be solely powered by sealed, 10 year long life batteries. The existing hardwired alarms must remain hardwired				

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All smoke alarms must be replaced when they exceed 10 years of age. Existing hardwired smoke alarms must be replaced with hardwired smoke alarms. The battery backup required in hardwired alarms is not required to be a 10 year battery. **IT IS NEVER ACCEPTABLE TO REPLACE AN EXISTING HARDWIRED ALARM WITH AN ALARM POWERED SOLELY BY A 10 YEAR LONG LIFE BATTERY**

## Maryland Smoke Alarm Requirements Existing Hotels / Dormitories

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<b>Locations Required</b>	Each living area and sleeping room within a guest suite	Each living area and sleeping room within a guest suite	Each living area and sleeping room within a guest suite	Each living area and sleeping room within a guest suite	Each living area and sleeping room within a guest suite	Each living area and sleeping room within a guest suite
						

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## Maryland Smoke Alarm Requirements Existing Apartment Buildings

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<b>Power Supply</b>	Hardwired	Hardwired	Hardwired & Interconnected	Hardwired & Interconnected with battery backup	Hardwired & Interconnected with battery backup	Hardwired & Interconnected with battery backup
<b>Locations Required</b>	Outside each sleeping area and on each level. **	Outside each sleeping area and on each level. **	Outside each sleeping area and a minimum of one on each level	Outside each sleeping area and a minimum of one on each level	Inside and outside each sleeping area and a minimum of one on each level	Inside and outside every sleeping room and a minimum of one on each level
	** If Not Sprinklered, smoke alarms shall be required in each sleeping room. Smoke alarms may be 10 year long life batteries. Existing hardwired alarms must remain hardwired.	** If Not Sprinklered, smoke alarms shall be required in each sleeping room. Smoke alarms may be 10 year long life batteries. Existing hardwired alarms must remain hardwired.				

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