

Residential Fire Alarm and Sprinkler Guidelines
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Fire Alarms:

New construction: Monitored smoke and heat detectors are required in any new residential building. A building less than 500 square feet may be exempted by concurrence of the Building Official and the Fire Chief.

Additions: If 500 square feet is added to any residence, the entire building must have a monitored fire alarm system. If the total square footage of the home after the addition is less than 2000 square feet, the home may be exempt from this section.

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Sprinkler systems:

New construction: All new buildings require an automatic sprinkler system. A building less than 500 square feet may be exempted by concurrence of the Building Official and the Fire Chief.

Remodels/additions: A sprinkler system is required when a 500 square foot or larger story is added; or 50% of the roof structure or 50% of the ceiling area is replaced; or the liveable area is increased by more than 50%.

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