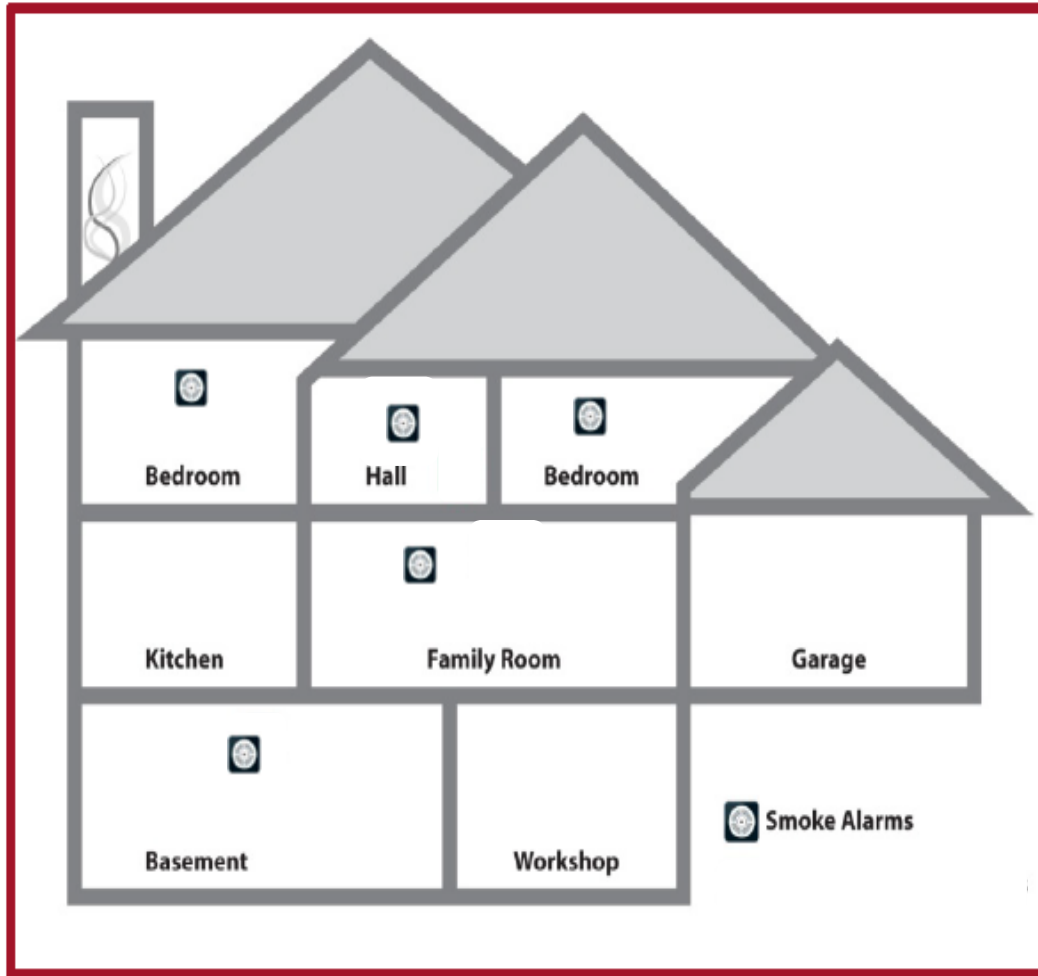




INSTALLATION OF SMOKE ALARMS

October 26, 2017



AGENDA

- Building Code Requirements
- Changes to the Smoke Alarm Standard
- Smoke Alarm Installation Standard
- ULC Programs



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Building Code Requirements

1975 BUILDING CODE HISTORY

1975 – The Building Code - homes were required to have smoke alarms outside sleeping areas.

- Must be audible in bedrooms with door closed
- Have visual indication that they are operating



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1975 BUILDING CODE HISTORY

Amended Part 3 in 1977:

Single Station Alarm type shall be installed in every dwelling unit in apartment buildings

- Installed between each sleeping area and the remainder of the unit
- On the ceiling or walls between 6 and 12 inches below the ceiling
- Permanent connection to an electrical circuit and have no disconnect switch



1980 BUILDING CODE HISTORY

Part 3 (1980 and 1985 NBC)

- Conform to ULC-S531-1978 installed in dwelling units and in each sleeping room not in a dwelling unit.
- Where sleeping areas are served by hallways, smoke alarms shall be installed in hallways.
- Installed on or near ceilings in conformance with acceptable installation instructions.
- Interconnection of smoke alarms required.



1980 BUILDING CODE HISTORY

Part 9 (1980 and 1985 NBC)

- Conform to ULC-S531-1978 installed in dwelling units and in each sleeping room not in a dwelling unit.
- Installed on ceiling or walls between 150mm and 300mm below ceiling as per manufacturer installations instructions.
- Where no electrical power, can be battery operated.



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1990 BUILDING CODE HISTORY

Changes to Part 9:

- Smoke alarms shall be provided on each floor level near the stairs connecting floor levels.



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1995 BUILDING CODE HISTORY

Part 9 Location of Smoke Alarms:

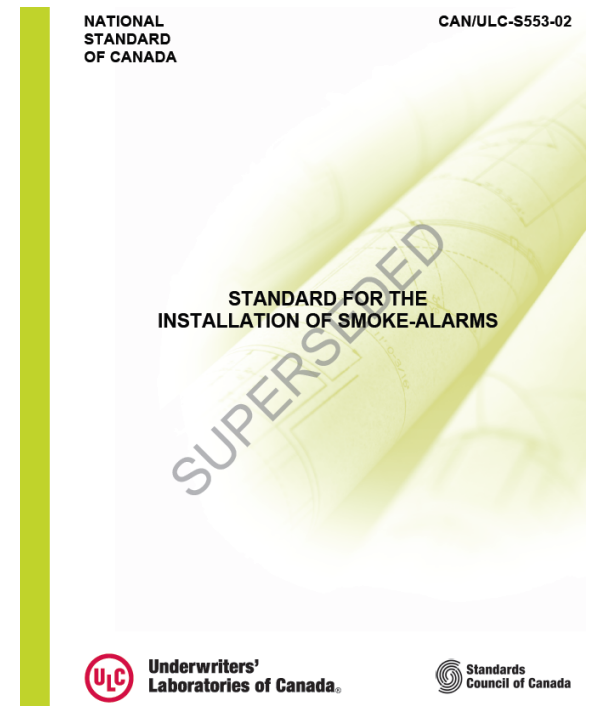
- At least one smoke alarm on each floor level, including basements.
- Each bedroom is protected either inside or if outside with 5m of the bedroom door.
- The distance from any point on a floor level to a smoke alarm on the same level does not exceed 15 m.
- A manually operated device is permitted within the circuitry of a smoke alarm to silence signal for 10 minutes.



2005 BUILDING CODE HISTORY

Additions to Part 3:

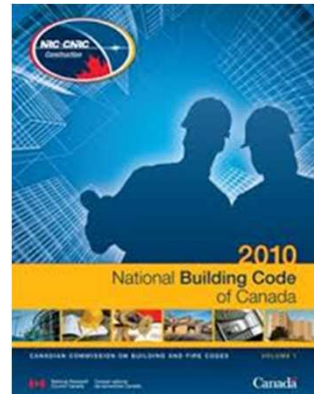
- Smoke Alarms shall be installed in conformance with CAN/ULC-S553, “Installation of Smoke Alarms”.
- The sound patterns of smoke alarms shall be significantly different from the temporal patterns of alarm signals.



2010 BUILDING CODE HISTORY

Part 3 and Part 9 changes

- Smoke alarm installed in each sleeping room plus still required between sleeping rooms/hallways.
- Battery must last for 7 days in normal condition followed by 4 min of alarm.
- Suites of residential occupancies permitted to have smoke detectors in lieu of smoke alarms.
- Alarm signal to meet temporal pattern or combination of temporal and voice



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Other Regulations

MANITOBA REGULATION 31/2011

9.10.19.A.1. Heat Sensors required in Storage Garages

- 1) A fixed temperature heat sensor shall be installed in each *storage garage* that is within, part of or attached to, a *dwelling unit*.
- 2) A fixed temperature heat sensor required under Sentence (1) shall be
 - a) installed on the ceiling of the *storage garage* or, if the *storage garage* has no ceiling, on the bottom of a ceiling joist within the *storage garage*,



MANITOBA REGULATION 31/2011

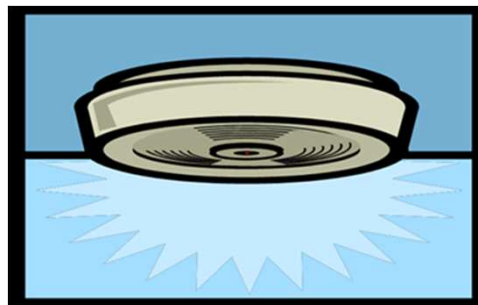
- b) installed by permanent connections to an electrical circuit and have no disconnect switch between the overcurrent device and sensor, and
- c) wired so that the activation of the sensor will cause all *smoke alarms* required to be within the *dwelling unit* under Articles 9.10.19.1. and 9.10.19.2. to sound.



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Canada Consumer Product Safety Act

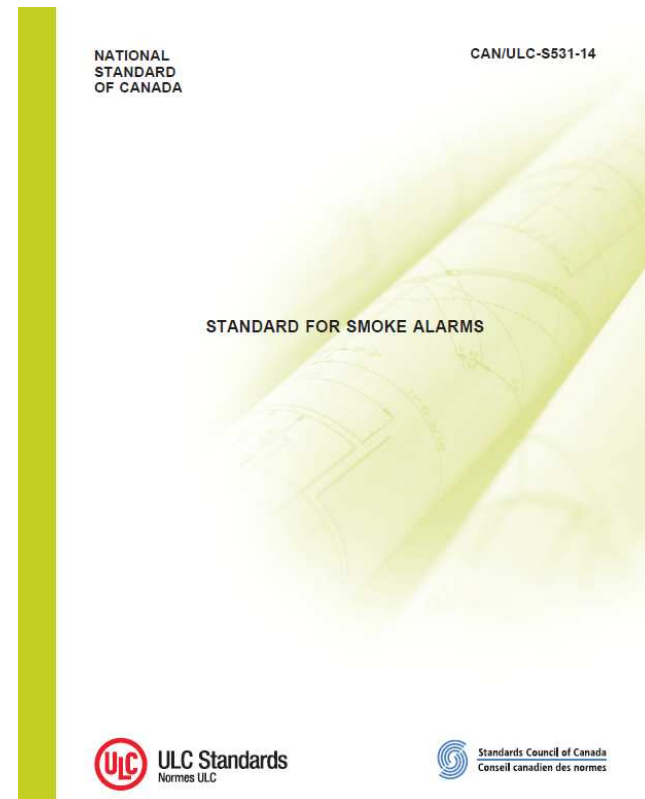
- Residential Detectors Regulations
 - Smoke Alarms must comply with CAN/ULC-S531 Standard for Smoke Alarms



CAN/ULC-S531 Smoke Alarms

CAN/ULC-S531 SMOKE ALARMS

Various editions starting
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current edition 2014



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SMOKE ALARM TYPES

- Single Station Smoke Alarms
- Multiple Station Smoke Alarms



TYPES OF TECHNOLOGY

Ionization: Most effective in sensing small (invisible) smoke particles associated with flaming fires. (Paper burning or cooking fires)

- Operates by monitoring a small current created by ionized air between electrically charged plates. Smoke particles will reduce the current and alarm sounds.

Photoelectric: Most effective in sensing large and lighter colored smoke particles associated with smoldering fires.

- Operates by the scattering or obscuration of light caused by smoke particulars



MULTI-CRITERIA TECHNOLOGY

Dual Chamber

- Ionization/Photoelectric
- Ionization/Carbon Monoxide
- Photoelectric/Carbon Monoxide



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BATTERY COMPARTMENTS

- Battery compartments shall have ready access to facilitate replacement.
- Removal of a battery from a battery-operated unit (or AC with battery back-up) shall result in a readily apparent and prominent indication that the battery has been removed.



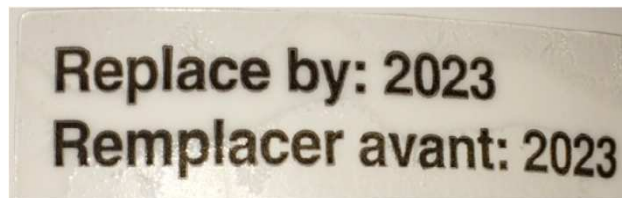
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MARKINGS



The 2002 edition added (Effective 2004)

- Requirements for an expiry date that is to be visible on the exterior of smoke alarm.
- Required to have a replacement date at a readily visible location on the smoke alarm after installation.

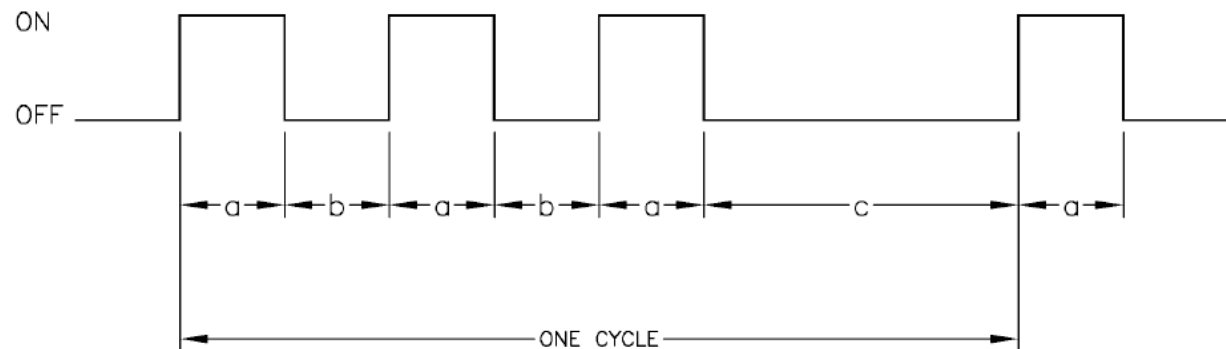


TEMPORAL PATTERN

June 30th 2013

FIGURE 16
TEMPORAL PATTERN FOR FIRE ALARM SIGNAL

(Reference: Clause 7.30.1.1)



Phase a: signal is on for 0.5 s $\pm 10\%$

Phase b: signal is off for 0.5 s $\pm 10\%$

Phase c: signal is off for 1.5 s $\pm 10\%$

Total cycle to last 4.0 s $\pm 10\%$



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END-OF-LIFE SIGNAL

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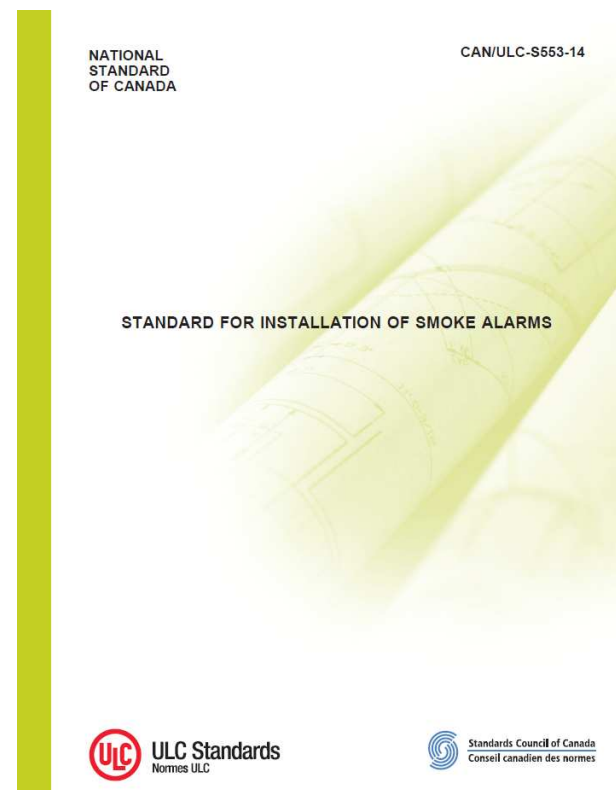
- The smoke alarm shall indicate end-of-life, based on the manufacturer's specified lifetime (not to exceed 10 years), with an end-of-life signal.
- The end-of-life signal timer shall not be able to be reset after a maximum of 30 days



CAN/ULC-S553 Installation of Smoke Alarms

CAN/ULC-S553 INSTALLATION OF SMOKE ALARMS

- Building Code references 2002 edition
- Current edition is 2014
- Smoke Alarm Installation and Verification Report kept on site
- Always refer to manufacturers installation instructions



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CAN/ULC-S553-2014

General requirements:

The owner shall ensure that any person performing the installation of smoke alarms shall be knowledgeable about this Standard and have sufficient experience acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction.



CAN/ULC-S553-2014

Documentation:

- Installation shall be documented in a report (Appendix C)
- Copy given to building owner kept throughout life of the system
 - Not intended to apply to single family dwellings
- Where installed in vulnerable occupancies, initial installation and verification report – retained throughout the life of the system



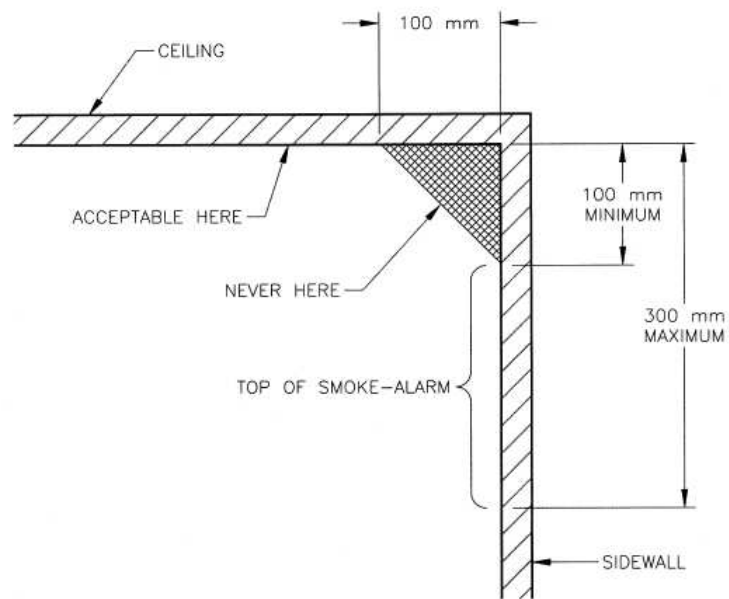
INSTALLATION

- Smoke alarm shall be installed in accordance with manufacturers published installation instructions and the requirements of the Building Code
- Installation of all field wiring shall be in accordance with the Electrical Code
- Only compatible devices shall be interconnected



LOCATION OF SMOKE ALARMS

(Reference: Clause 3.2.4, A1.11.1)



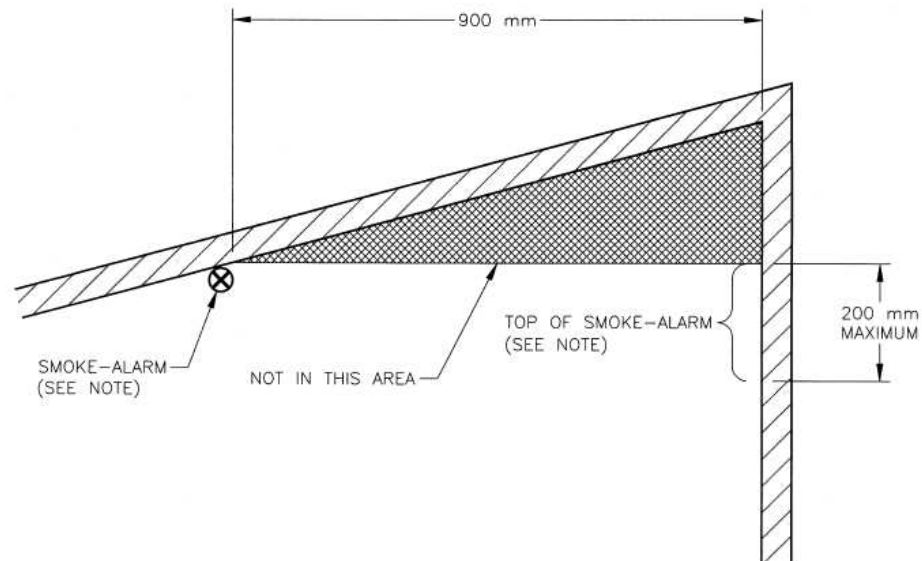
Note: Measurements shown are to closest edge of smoke-alarm.



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SLOPED CEILINGS

(Reference: Clause 3.2.6)



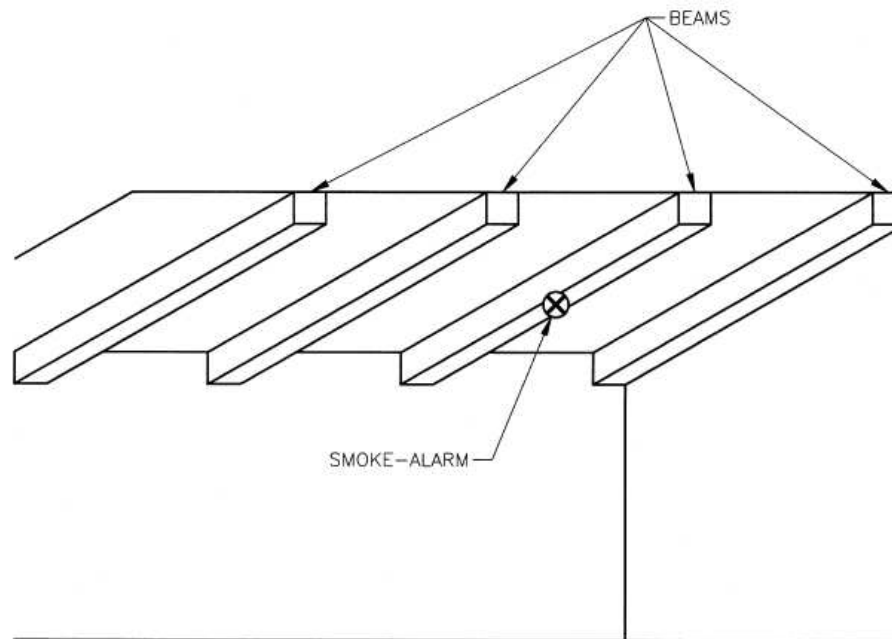
Note: Smoke-alarms may be located either on the ceiling or on the wall.



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CEILINGS WITH BEAMS

(Reference: Clause 3.2.7)



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FIGURE 4
LOCATION OF SMOKE ALARMS
(Reference: Clause 5.2.9)

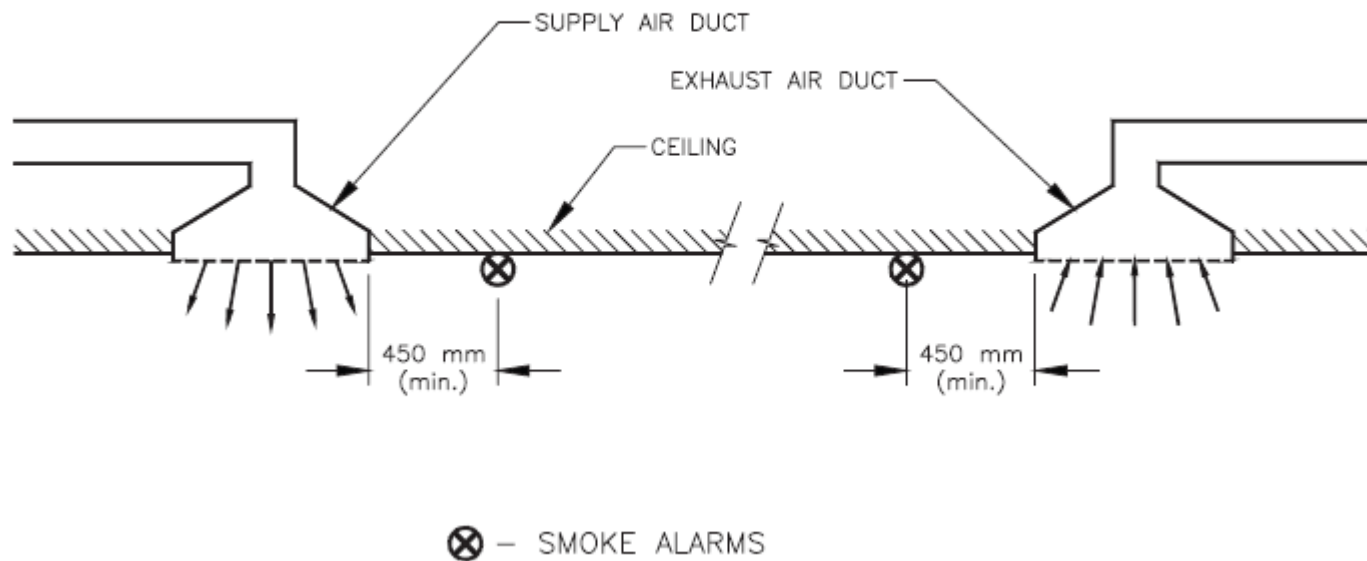
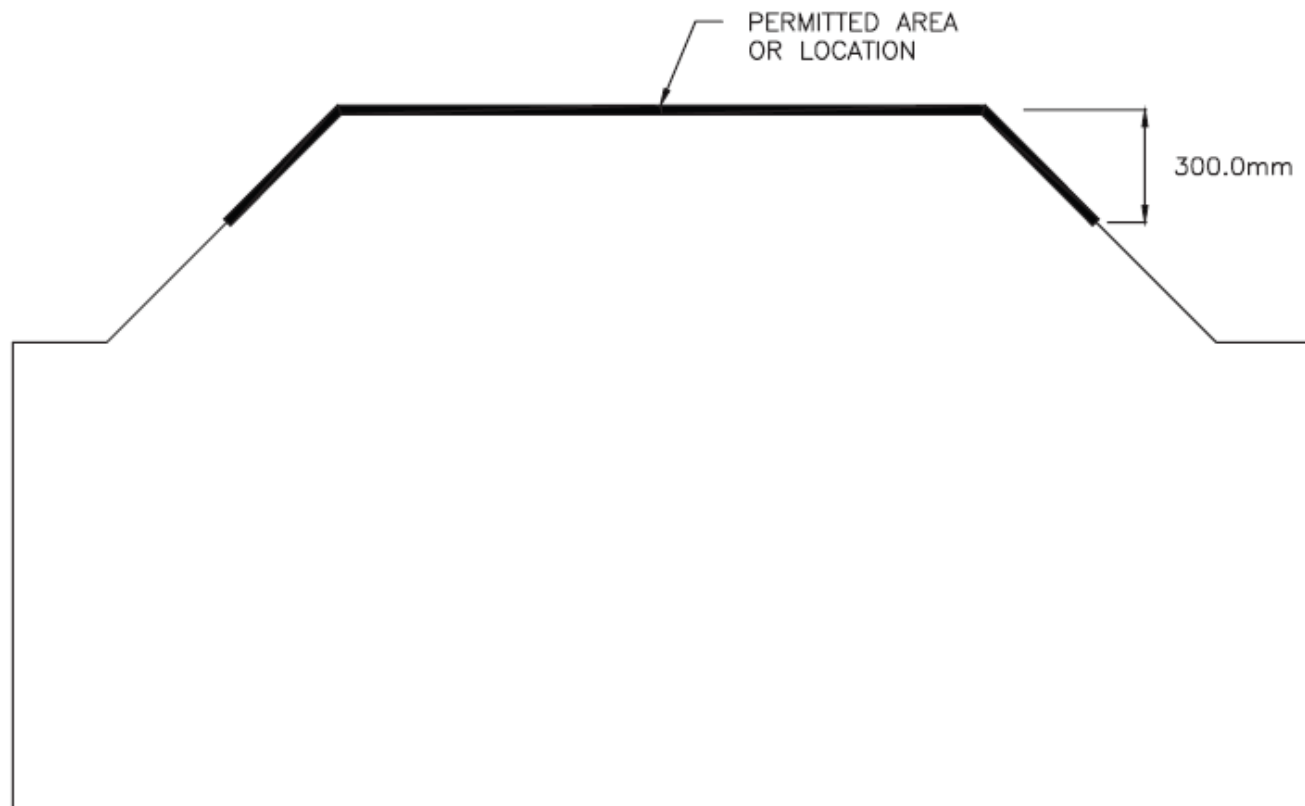


FIGURE 5
LOCATION OF SMOKE ALARMS IN COFFERED OR TRAY-SHAPED CEILINGS

(Reference: Clause 5.2.10)



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RECOMMENDED SMOKE-ALARM INSTALLATION FOR TYPICAL APARTMENTS

(Reference: Clauses 3.2.2, 3.2.3)

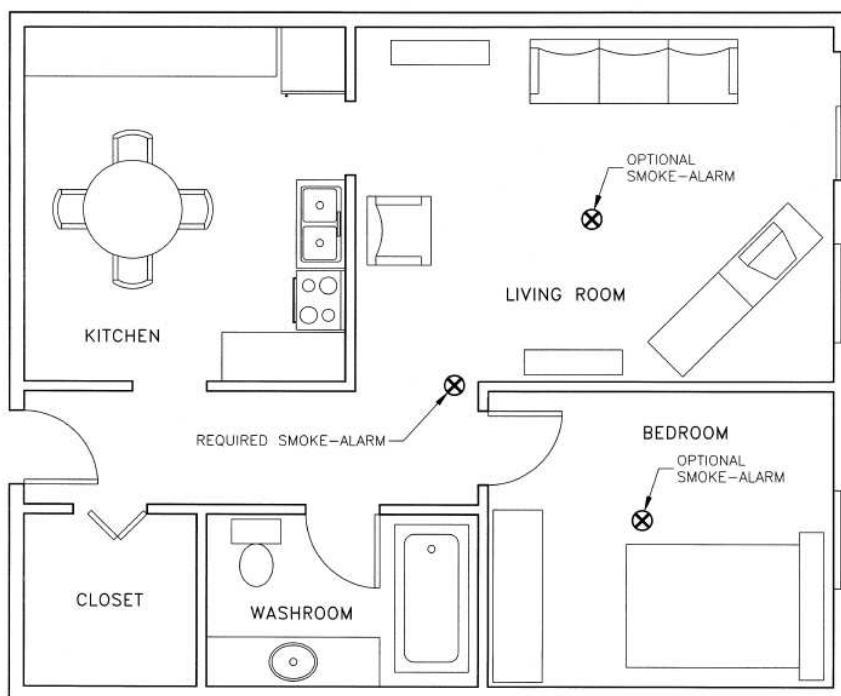
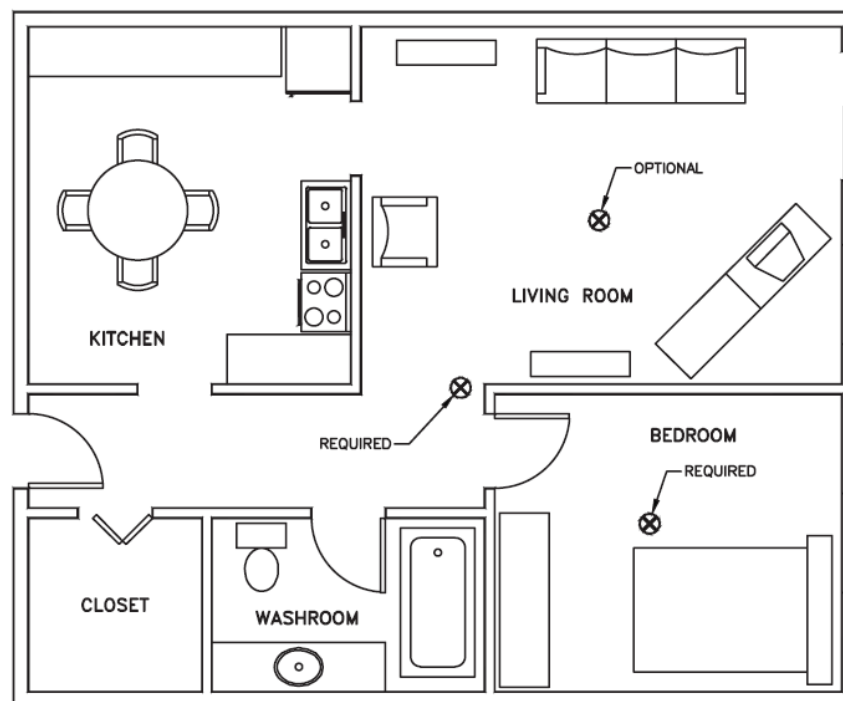


FIGURE A1
RECOMMENDED SMOKE ALARM INSTALLATION FOR A TYPICAL APARTMENT

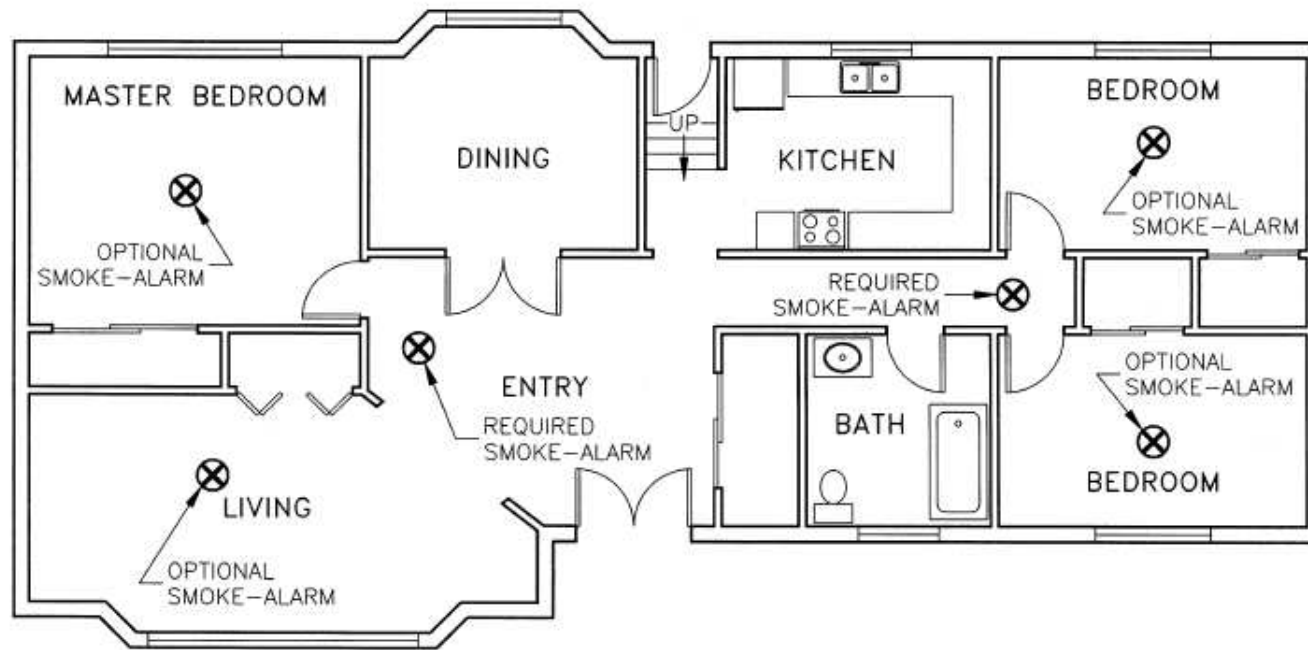
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RECOMMENDED SMOKE-ALARM INSTALLATION FOR SEPARATED SLEEPING AREAS

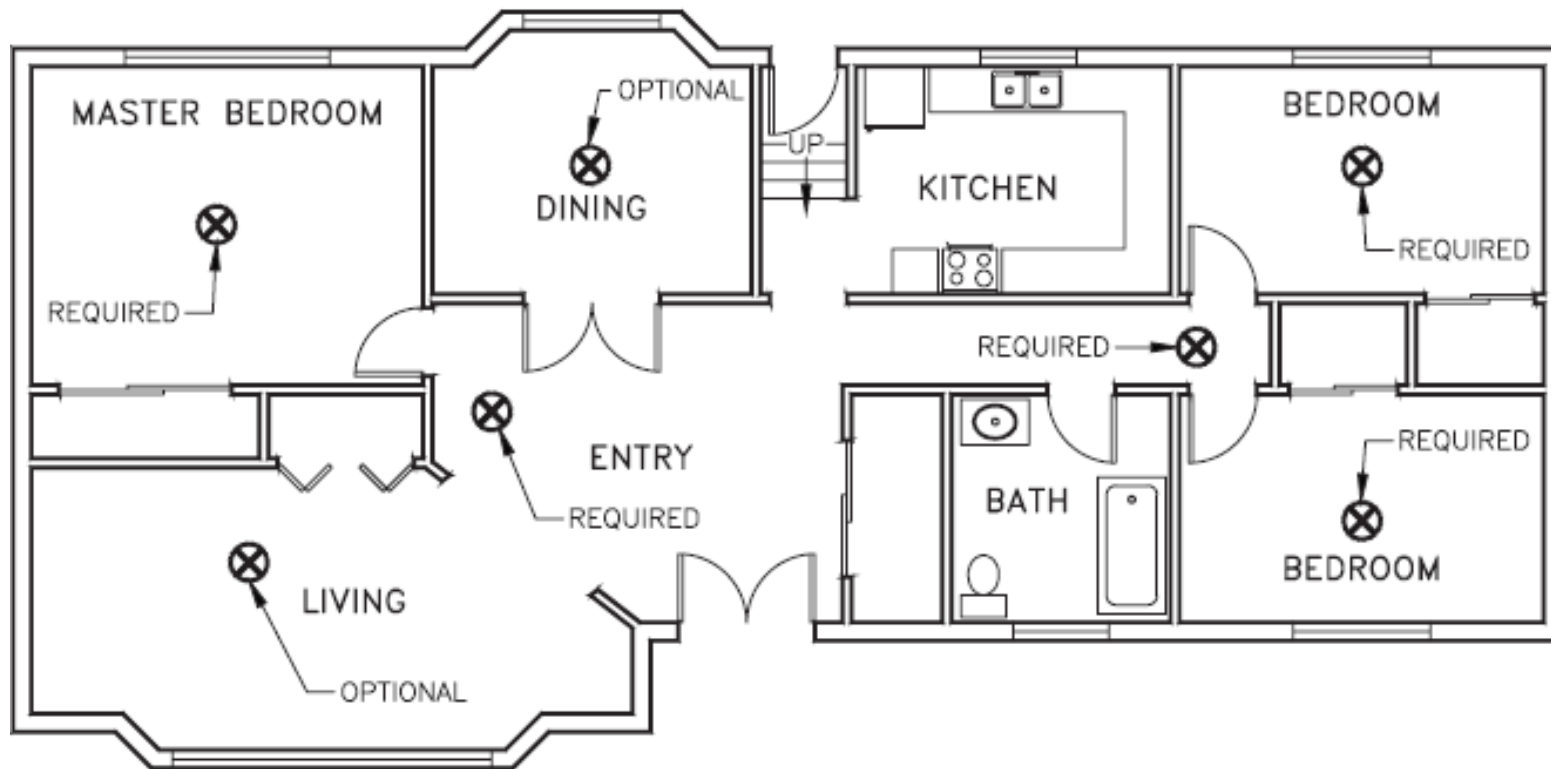
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FIGURE A2
RECOMMENDED SMOKE ALARM INSTALLATION FOR A TYPICAL MAIN FLOOR OF A RESIDENCE

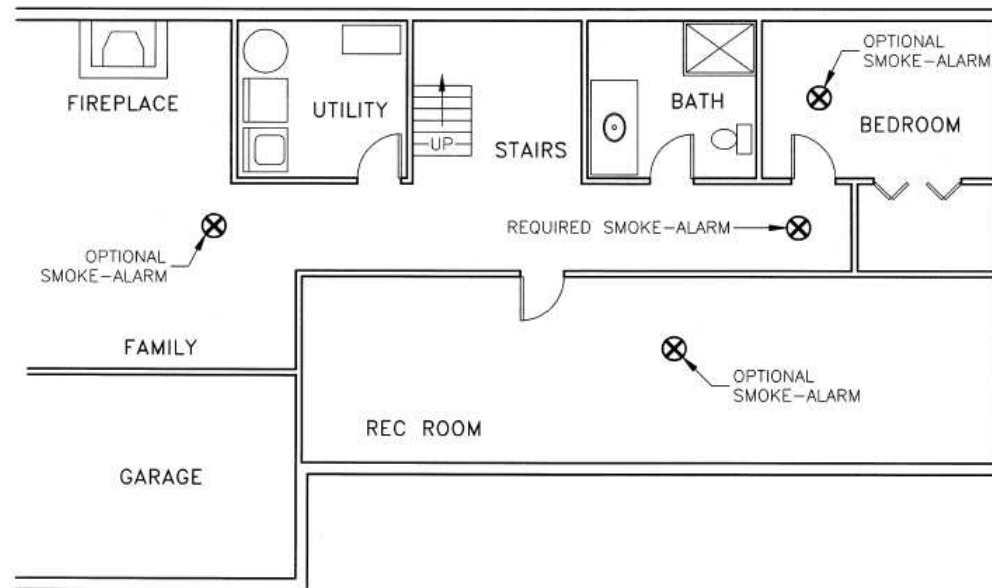
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RECOMMENDED SMOKE-ALARM INSTALLATION FOR BASEMENTS

(Reference: Clauses 3.2.2, 3.2.3)



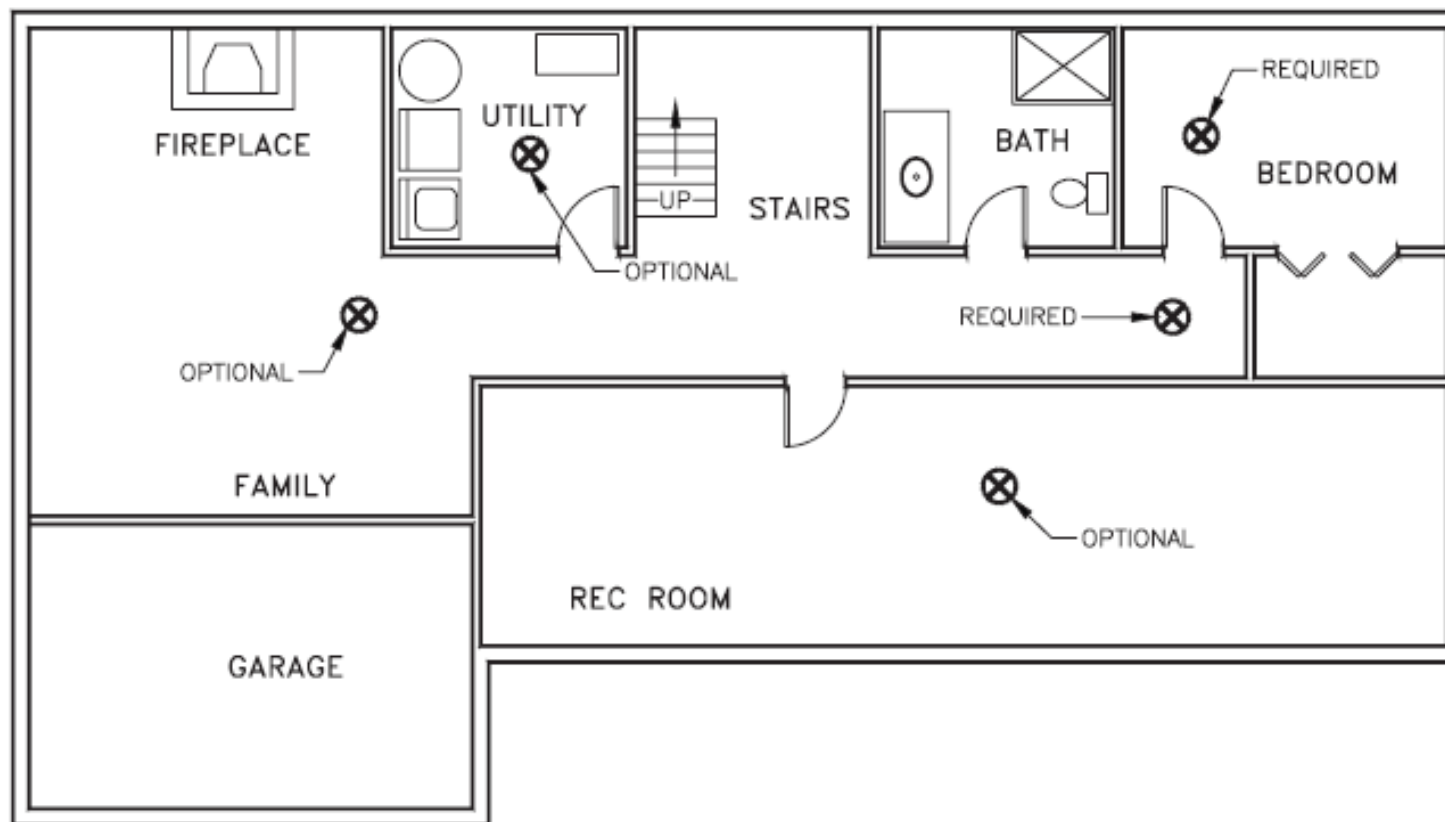
Note: Smoke-alarms should be located in vicinity of sleeping areas. For separated sleeping areas, multiple station type devices should be used



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FIGURE A3
RECOMMENDED SMOKE ALARM INSTALLATION FOR TYPICAL BASEMENT OF A RESIDENCE

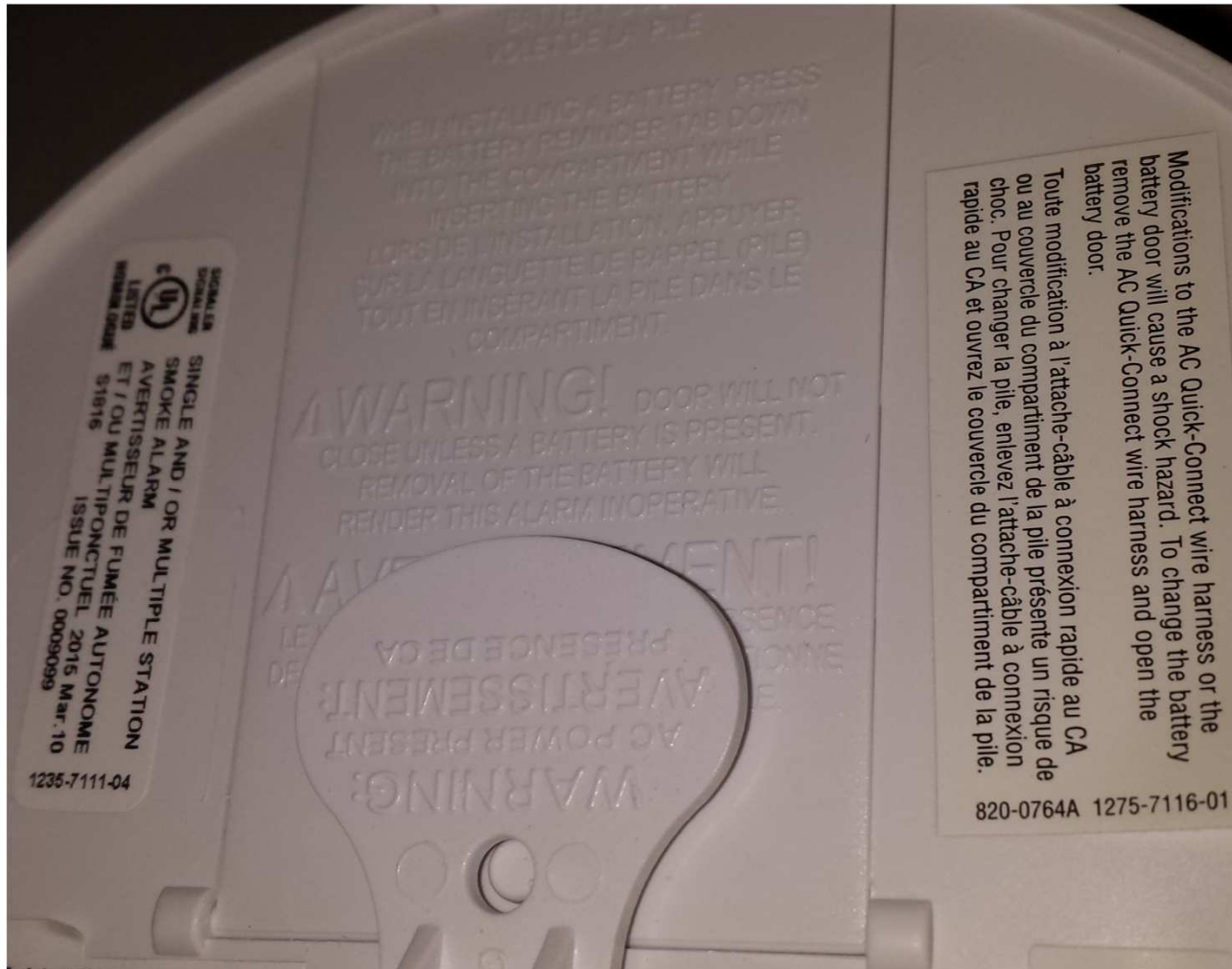
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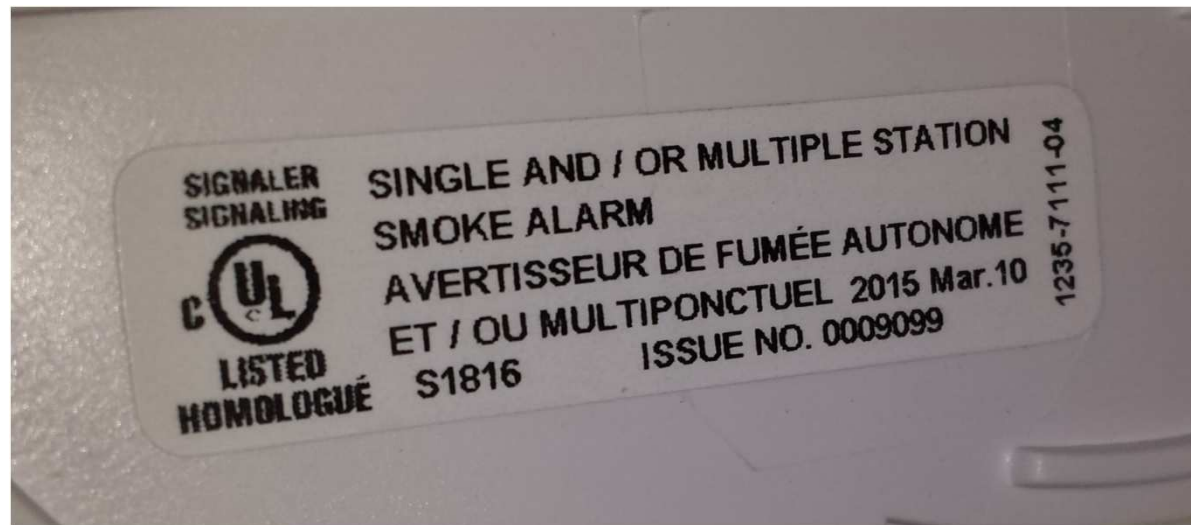
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FIRE PROTECTIVE SIGNALING CERTIFICATE
 (CAN/ULC-S561)

This Certifies that the Alarm Companies whose names appear below are Listed by ULC and are authorized to install, monitor, and maintain Protective Signaling Fire Alarm Systems in compliance with the requirements in CAN/ULC-S561 for Protective Signaling Systems.

The assignment of responsibilities as indicated shall be set out in a contract between the companies involved.

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SN: **PS087654**

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XYZ Monitoring Station
987 Railway Street,
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Alarm System Description:
 This system is installed and operated in accordance with STANDARD CAN/ULC-S561-2019 edition.

System Description:
 System Type: **Fire Protective Signaling**
 Authority Having Jurisdiction: **City of Anytown**
 Responding Fire Department: **City of Anytown**

SYSTEM DEVIATIONS FROM REFERENCED STANDARDS:
 None

Signaller System Watertight Alarm and Supervisory Service:
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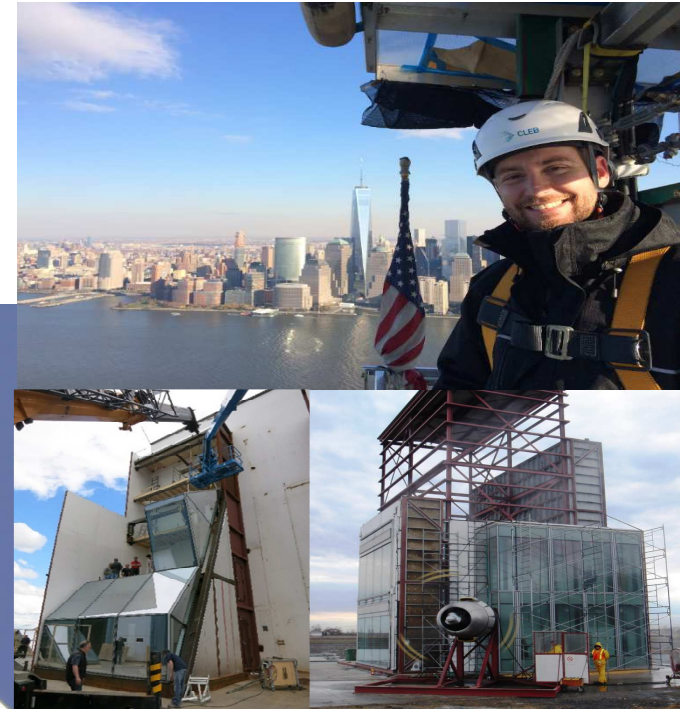
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SUMMARY

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- Smoke Alarm Installation Standard
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