

## Tips to Passing your Vacation Rental Periodic Fire Inspection

Newport Fire Department requires a periodic fire inspection to keep you and your guests safe. Here are some tips on passing the fire inspection:

**Smoke Detectors** – smoke detectors shall be placed in each sleeping room and in common hallways adjacent to sleeping rooms. NFD recommends sealed-10-year smoke alarms to prevent your guests from removing the batteries. NFD recommends you add testing smoke alarms to the cleaning/checkout sheet for your rental.

**Carbon Monoxide Detectors** – CO detectors are required on each floor that contains CO producing devices (gas/propane, woodstoves, etc) and each floor that connects to an attached garage.

**Fire Extinguishers** – Fire extinguishers should be available on each floor of your rental. The minimum requirement is a 2A:10BC (5 pound) extinguisher. Fire extinguishers shall be inspected and serviced by a certified company annually.

**Exits** – Exits should be well lit, clear, unobstructed, and obvious to your guests. Exits should be easy to open with no special knowledge or keys.

Not An Exit – If you have areas of the house that are locked and off limits to a guest, please place a sign saying 'Not An Exit' at eye-level on the door.

**Electrical Panels** – Electrical panels must be unobstructed and have 36" of clearance. Breakers in the panel shall be clearly marked and open spaces should be protected by "blank" spacers.

**Housekeeping** – Do not store combustible items under stairs, in heating equipment closets, or in a basement below your rental.

Alarms and Sprinklers – if you have a fire alarm or sprinkler system, service and testing records must be kept on site for three years.

Address Numbers – New and existing buildings shall have approved building identification placed in a position that is plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property. These numbers shall contrast with their background. Where required by the fire code official, address numbers shall be provided in additional approved locations to facilitate emergency response. Address numbers shall be a minimum of 4 inches high with a minimum stroke of 0.5 inch.

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