



Colorado House Bill 09-1091

A Requirement that Carbon Monoxide Alarms be Installed in Residential Properties

Effective July 1, 2009

This Act enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado created a new section in the Colorado Revised Statutes addressing carbon monoxide safety. This section is found in Title 38, Article 45 of the Colorado Revised Statutes.

All building permits for residential structures will now require the installation of carbon monoxide alarms if the structure has an attached garage or contains fuel-fired appliances.

Operational carbon monoxide alarms must be installed within fifteen (15) feet of each bedroom in the residence.

This Act applies to all new residential structures or existing residences that have an attached garage or fuel-fired appliances. The alarms must be installed in existing residences prior to sale of the property or when a building permit is issued for interior alterations, repairs, fuel-fired appliance replacements or additions or where bedrooms are added to the residence.

The Chaffee County Building Department will enforce this state law for **all residential building permits that have not received a Certificate of Occupancy by July 1, 2009**. Carbon monoxide alarms must be installed prior to issuance of any certificate of occupancy for such permits.