

2012 International Property Maintenance Code Errata

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CHAPTER 7 FIRE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

[F] 704.2 Smoke alarms. Single- or multiple-station smoke alarms shall be installed and maintained in Groups ~~R-2, R-3, R-4~~ and in dwellings not regulated in Group R or I-1 occupancies, regardless of *occupant* load at all of the following locations:

1. On the ceiling or wall outside of each separate sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of *bedrooms*.
2. In each room used for sleeping purposes.
3. In each story within a *dwelling unit*, including *basements* and cellars but not including crawl spaces and uninhabitable attics. In dwellings or *dwelling units* with split levels and without an intervening door between the adjacent levels, a smoke alarm installed on the upper level shall suffice for the adjacent lower level provided that the lower level is less than one full story below the upper level.

~~Single or multiple station smoke alarms shall be installed in other groups in accordance with the *International Fire Code*.~~

[F] 704.3 Power source. In Group R or I-1 occupancies ~~and in dwellings not regulated as Group R occupancies~~, single-station smoke alarms shall receive their primary power from the building wiring provided that such wiring is served from a commercial source and shall be equipped with a battery backup. Smoke alarms shall emit a signal when the batteries are low. Wiring shall be permanent and without a disconnecting switch other than as required for overcurrent protection.

[(F] 704.4 Interconnection. Where more than one smoke alarm is required to be installed within an individual *dwelling unit* in Group ~~R-2, R-3, R-4~~ and in dwellings not regulated as Group R or I-1 occupancies, the smoke alarms shall be interconnected in such a manner that the activation of one alarm will activate all of the alarms in the individual unit. Physical interconnection of smoke alarms shall not be required where listed wireless alarms are installed and all alarms sound upon activation of one alarm. The alarm shall be clearly audible in all *bedrooms* over background noise levels with all intervening doors closed.