

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA  
REGULATION OF THE MINISTER OF  
HOUSING AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

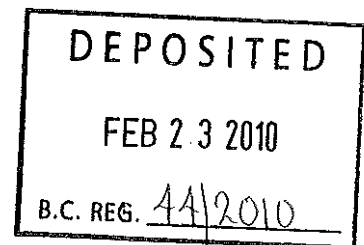
*Fire Services Act*

Ministerial Order No. M 046

I, Rich Coleman, Minister of Housing and Social Development, order that, effective May 1, 2010, B.C. Reg. 175/2006, the British Columbia Fire Code Regulation, is amended in Division B by striking out Article 2.1.3.3. and substituting the following:

**2.1.3.3. Smoke Alarms**

- 1) *Smoke alarms* conforming to CAN/ULC-S531, "Smoke Alarms," shall be installed in each *dwelling unit* and, except for *care or detention occupancies* required to have a fire alarm system, in each sleeping room not within a *dwelling unit*.
- 2) *Smoke alarms* within *dwelling units* shall be installed between each sleeping area and the remainder of the *dwelling unit*, and where the sleeping areas are served by hallways, the *smoke alarms* shall be installed in the hallways.
- 3) *Smoke alarms* shall be installed in conformance with CAN/ULC S-553, "Installation of Smoke Alarms".
- 4) *Smoke alarms* are permitted to be battery operated in
  - a) a *dwelling unit* permitted to be constructed before March 31, 1979, or
  - b) a *building* which is not supplied with electrical power.



*Feb 18/10*

Date

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Rich Coleman".

Minister of Housing and Social Development

*(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)*

Authority under which Order is made:

Act and section:- Fire Services Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 144, s. 47

Other (specify):- M137/2006

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