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Title 68. Health, Safety and Environmental Protection

Safety

▢ [Chapter 120](#). Building Regulations

▢ [Part 1](#). General Provisions

→ **§ 68-120-111. Smoke detectors**

(a) No one-family or two-family dwelling shall be approved for connection of new electric service under [§ 68-102-143](#), unless the dwelling is equipped with at least one (1) smoke detector that, when activated, initiates an alarm audible in every sleeping room. The detector or detectors shall have been:

(1) Listed in accordance with the standards of Underwriters' Laboratories, or another testing agency or laboratory accepted by the state fire marshal; and

(2) Installed in accordance with the 2003 International Residential Code, published by the International Code Council, Inc.; and in accordance with the manufacturer's directions, unless those directions conflict with applicable codes that are adopted by the state fire marshal. Notwithstanding the provisions of the 2003 International Residential Code, battery operated smoke detectors shall be permitted when installed in buildings without commercial power.

(b) The provisions of this section do not apply to any one-family dwelling built and occupied by the family.

CREDIT(S)

1984 Pub.Acts, c. 568, § 1; [2005 Pub.Acts, c. 148, § 2](#), eff. Jan. 1, 2006.

Formerly § 68-18-111.

CROSS REFERENCES

Fire protection, fire extinguishers and related equipment, see [§ 62-32-201 et seq.](#)

Fire protection, fire protection sprinkler systems, see [§ 62-32-101 et seq.](#)

Health, safety and environmental protection, fire prevention and investigation, smoke detector requirements, see [§ 68-102-151](#).

Juveniles, placement of juveniles, foster care, smoke detector requirements for foster homes, see [§](#)

37-2-412.

LIBRARY REFERENCES

[Health](#)  393.

[Labor and Employment](#)  2565.

Westlaw Topic Nos. [198H](#), [231H](#).

[C.J.S. Health and Environment](#) §§ [51](#) to [56](#), [58](#) to [62](#).

T. C. A. § 68-120-111, TN ST § 68-120-111

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