City of Burlington
Carbon Monoxide Detector Requirements

All residential dwellings and other occupancies in which there are rooms or spaces in which sleeping is permitted are required to have carbon monoxide detectors in the vicinity of the sleeping areas and on every floor of the dwelling, installed in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions and State law. In most cases, this is best achieved by replacing smoke detector heads with combination carbon monoxide/smoke detector heads in accordance with the instructions and compatibility of the currently installed system.

- CO detectors are required in the vicinity of all sleeping areas.

- CO detectors are required on every level of the dwelling.

- All CO detectors must be UL 2034 listed or approved by a nationally recognized independent test lab. Detectors must be installed in accordance with manufacturer’s instructions and State law.

- Any new construction or substantial alteration, repair or renovation requires that interconnected, hardwired, battery backup, UL 2034 listed or approved smoke/CO detectors. A permit for this installation must be obtained from the City of Burlington Electrical Inspector.

- Any new hardwired smoke detector installation requires that CO detectors be included. A permit for this installation must be obtained from the City of Burlington Electrical Inspector.

- Owners are required to keep the following records relating to the installation and maintenance of CO detectors or systems:

  1. Model, make and date of installation;
  2. Power source of detector or system;
  3. Location in which each detector was installed;
The seller of a residential dwelling transferred by sale or exchange shall certify to the buyer that the dwelling is provided with carbon monoxide detectors. This certification shall be signed, dated by the seller, and filed in the land records at the time of recording the transfer. If the buyer notifies the seller within 10 days by certified mail from the date of conveyance that the dwelling lacks carbon monoxide detection or that the detector is not operable, the seller shall comply with this section within 10 days of notification.