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* SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM CERTIFICATION FORM *

I understand the above requirements and certify that we now have smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms installed that comply. We agree to comply with the CRC in regard to smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms

HOME OWNERS NAME (please print): _____

ADDRESS: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____ PERMIT NO.: _____

NOTE: This Certification is only used when normal access to the interior of the dwelling by the City of Hollister Inspector is not achieved during project construction. It is normally used for projects such as re-roofing, re-siding, patio covers, swimming pools and the like.

SMOKE ALARMS

Smoke alarms save lives! A majority of fatal home fires happen at night. Smoke alarms can give you time to escape. Battery-powered smoke alarms we know today became available to consumers in the 1970s, and since then, the home fire death rate has been reduced by half. Here are some important facts and figures regarding residential smoke alarms:

- Roughly half of home fire deaths result from fires in the small percentage of homes with no smoke alarms.
- Homes with smoke alarms (whether or not they are operational) typically have a death rate that is 40- 50% less than the rate for homes without smoke alarms.
- In one quarter of the reported fires in homes equipped with smoke alarms, the devices did not work. Households with non-working smoke alarms now outnumber those with no smoke alarms.
- Why do smoke alarms fail? Most often because of missing, disconnected or dead batteries.

Smoke alarms and Carbon Monoxide alarms should be installed in every residence. Smoke alarms are *required* to be installed when building permits are issued for additions, alterations or repairs to residential buildings, if they do not already exist, and the value of the work exceeds $1,000.